

2026 FINANCIAL AID CALENDAR

It is very important that you review the financial aid calendar and are aware of various deadlines. Due to federal and institutional regulations, if the appropriate financial aid documents are not submitted in their entirety by the deadlines, the processing and award of your financial aid will be delayed for the semester or the academic year in question. When this occurs, you will be responsible for any outstanding bills until your eligibility is determined, and the aid is processed. The Office of Financial Aid will send reminders regarding required documents, but ultimately it is your responsibility.

January	
1	University closed (New Year's Day Holiday)
2	First financial aid disbursement to students' accounts for Spring 2026 semester
6	Classes start for all students Tuition & Fees due for all students
13	Summer 2026 Financial Aid Application available 2026-2027 UDC Law Financial Aid Application available 2026-2027 UDC Law Need-Based Scholarship Application available 2026-2027 Firebird Commitment of Excellence Scholarship Application available
16	Office of Student Accounts begin processing and issuing refunds for eligible students for the Spring 2026 semester Add/Drop period ends at 5:00 pm
March	
6	Second financial aid disbursement for Spring 2026 ONLY loans to students' accounts
13	Priority deadline to submit Summer 2026 Financial Aid Application
15	Priority deadline to submit 2026-2027 FAFSA for incoming students Priority deadline to submit 2026-2027 UDC Law Financial Aid Application for incoming students
16	Financial Aid awards for Summer 2026 begin
20	Refunds for Spring 2026 second disbursement to students' accounts
April	
1	Priority deadline to submit 2026-2027 FAFSA for continuing students Priority deadline to submit 2026-2027 UDC Law Financial Aid Application for continuing student Deadline to submit 2026-2027 UDC Law Need-Based Scholarship for continuing students

	Deadline to submit 2026-2027 Firebird Commitment of Excellence Scholarship for continuing students
7	Financial aid awards for 2026-2027 begin for incoming students
8	Summer 2026 online registration begins
May	
1	2026-2027 Graduate Plus Loan becomes available at www.studentaid.gov
5	Financial aid awards for 2026-2027 begin for continuing students
6	Spring 2026 semester ends
8	First financial aid disbursement of Summer 2026 ONLY loans to students' accounts
18	Summer 2026 classes begin Tuition & Fees due for all students
22	Office of Student Accounts begin processing and issuing refunds for eligible students for the Summer 2025 semester Add/Drop period ends at 5:00 pm
June	
30	Deadline for 2026-2027 UDC Law Need-Based Scholarship Application for incoming students
July	
1	Fall on-line registration begins for Class of 2027 FT & PT
2	Second financial aid disbursement of Summer 2026 ONLY loans to students' accounts Fall on-line registration begins for Class of 2029 FT& 2030 PT
8	Fall on-line registration begins for Class of 2028 FT & PT, 2029 PT
16	Fall administrative registration begins for upper-level students with permission Refunds for Summer 2026 second disbursement to students' accounts
17	Deadline to submit outstanding documents for Summer 2026 financial aid awards
31	Summer 2026 semester ends
August	
10-14	Orientation and start of classes for first year students
17	Classes start for all students Tuition & Fees due for all students
28	Add/Drop period ends Fall 2026 registration ends
31	First financial aid disbursement to students' accounts for Fall 2026 semester
September	
14	Office of Student Accounts begin processing and issuing refunds for eligible students for the Fall 2026 semester

28	Second financial aid disbursement of Fall 2026 ONLY loans to students' accounts
October	
12	Refunds for Fall 2026 second disbursement to students' accounts
November	
3	Spring 2027 on-line registration begins for Class of 2027 FT & PT
10	Spring 2027 on-line registration begins Class of 2028 FT & PT, Class of 2029 FT & PT, 2030 PT
December	
11	Fall 2026 semester ends

*** Tentative dates that are subject to change**