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(Dates in italics pertain exclusively to graduate students)

### FALL SEMESTER 2008

#### August
1. Final date to apply online to the Graduate School for the fall semester
14-15. International Student Orientation
18-21. Freshman & Transfer Orientation
25. Classes begin, 7:30 a.m.

#### September
1. Labor Day holiday
2. Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.
4. Final date for adding courses for credit and making section changes
5. Final date for adding thesis and dissertation research; final date for “degree only” registration
12. Final date for departments to recommend to Graduate School appointment of examining committees (requests for final examinations) for degrees to be awarded at fall commencement
12. Final date for submitting to Graduate School general examination reports for doctorates to be awarded at spring commencement

#### October
8. Fall holiday begins, 10:00 p.m.
13. Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.
15. Final date for receipt of graduate admission applications for spring semester without paying $25 late fee
15. Final date for international applicants residing outside the U.S. to apply to the Graduate School for the spring semester.
13-18. Midsemester exams
21. Midsemester grades due, 9:00 a.m.
26. Course scheduling for spring semester, Spring Intersession, and summer term begins, 5:00 p.m.

#### November
7. Final date for resigning from the University and/or dropping courses
7. Final date to request rescheduling a final examination when three examinations are scheduled in 24 hours
7. Final date for submitting to Graduate School the “Program of Study" for the current semester to be counted toward the doctoral residence requirement
14. Final date for submitting to Graduate School committee examination reports and approved theses and dissertations, including Graduate School corrections (noon deadline)
26. Thanksgiving holiday begins, 10:00 p.m.

#### December
1. Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.
3-7. Concentrated study period—no meetings, social activities, athletic events, or other extracurricular activities requiring student participation will be scheduled; no major examinations will be given in academic courses other than labs
6. Classes end
8-13. Final examinations
16. Final grades (degree candidates) due, 9:00 a.m.
17. Final grades (non-degree candidates), due, 9:00 a.m.
19. Commencement Day

### SPRING SEMESTER 2009

#### January
1. Final date to apply online to the Graduate School for the spring semester
5. International Student Orientation
6-8. Freshman & Transfer Orientation
12. Classes begin, 7:30 a.m.
19. Martin Luther King Day holiday
20. Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.
20. Final date for dropping courses without receiving a grade of “W"
22. Final date for adding courses for credit and making section changes
22. Final date for adding thesis and dissertation research; final date for “degree only” registration
23. Final date for submitting to Graduate School applications for master’s and doctoral degrees to be awarded at spring commencement
30. Final date for departments to recommend to Graduate School appointment of examining committees (requests for final examinations) for degrees to be awarded at spring commencement
30. Final date for submitting to Graduate School general examination reports for doctorates to be awarded at summer commencement

#### February
23-25. Mardi Gras holiday
26. Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.

#### March
2-6. Midsemester exams
10. Midsemester grades due, 9:00 a.m.
27. Final date for resigning from the University and/or dropping courses
27. Final date to request rescheduling a final examination when three examinations are scheduled in 24 hours
29. Course scheduling for Summer Intersession, fall semester and Wintersession begins, 5:00 p.m.
April

3 Final date for submitting to Graduate School the “Program of Study” for the current semester to be counted toward the doctoral residence requirement
6-12 Spring Break
13 Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.
17 Final date for submitting to Graduate School examination reports and approved theses and dissertations, including the Graduate School corrections (noon deadline)
29 Concentrated study period begins-no meetings, social activities, athletic events, or other extracurricular activities requiring student participation will be scheduled; no major examinations will be given in academic courses other than labs

May

2 Classes end
3 Concentrated study period ends
4-9 Final exams
12 Final grades (degree candidates) due, 9:00 a.m.
13 Final grades (non-degree candidates) due, 9:00 a.m.
15 Final date for receipt of graduate admission applications for summer term or fall semester without paying $25 late fee
15 Final date to apply online to the Graduate School for the summer term
15 Final date for international applicants residing outside the U.S. to apply to the Graduate School for the summer term and fall semester.
15 Commencement Day

SUMMER TERM 2009

SESSION A

June

1 International Student Orientation
2-4 Freshman & Transfer Orientation
8 Classes begin, 7:30 a.m.
10 Final date for dropping courses without receiving a grade of “W”
11 Final date for dropping courses without receiving a grade of “W”
11 Final date for adding courses for credit and making section changes
11 Final date for adding thesis and dissertation research; final date for “degree only” registration
12 Final date for submitting to Graduate School applications for master’s and doctoral degrees to be awarded at summer commencement
12 Final date for departments to recommend to Graduate School appointment of examining committees (requests for final examinations) for degrees to be awarded at summer commencement
12 Final date for submitting to Graduate School general examination reports for the doctorate to be awarded at summer commencement
29 Midsemester examination period begins

July

1 Midsemester examination period ends
3 Independence Day holiday
6 Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.
7 Midterm grades due, 9:00 a.m.
10 Final date for submitting to Graduate School committee examination reports and approved theses and dissertations, including Graduate School corrections (noon deadline)
14 Final date for resigning from the University and/or dropping courses
27 Classes end
28 Concentrated study day
29-30 Final examination period

SESSION B

June

1 International Student Orientation
2-4 Freshman & Transfer Orientation
29 Classes begin, 7:30 a.m.

July

1 Final date for dropping courses without receiving a grade of “W”
2 Final date for dropping courses without receiving a grade of “W”
3 Independence Day holiday
6 Classes resume, 7:30 a.m.
22 Final date for resigning from the University and/or dropping courses
31 Classes end

August

1 Final exams
4 Final grades (degree candidate) due, 9:00 a.m.
5 Final grades (non-degree candidate) due, 9:00 a.m.
7 Commencement, 9:00 a.m.

SPRING INTERSESSION 2009

May

14 Classes begin
14 Final date for dropping courses without receiving a grade of “W”
15 Final date for adding courses for credit and making section changes
26 Final date for resigning from the University and/or dropping courses
29 Classes end
30 Final examinations

June

2 Final grades due, 9:00 a.m.