



SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES-PhD

Academic Year 2026-2027

Monday, June 1, 2026	Summer Session Begins
Friday, June 19, 2026	Juneteenth Holiday*
Friday, July 3, 2026	4th of July Holiday*
Friday, July 17, 2026	Summer Session Ends
Friday, July 24, 2026	Grades Due in Workday/Registrar's Office (Summer Session)
Thursday, July 30, 2026 - Friday, July 31, 2026	First Year Orientation and Registration
Monday, August 3, 2026	Classes Begin
Friday, August 21, 2026	White Coat Ceremony - 1st Year Ph.D. Students
Monday, September 7, 2026	Labor Day Holiday*
Thursday, September 17, 2026	Constitution Day
Monday, September 21, 2026 to Friday, September 25, 2026	Student Research Week
Wednesday, September 23, 2026	Student Research Day (no classes)
Thursday, October 1, 2026	Last Day to Publicly Defend Dissertation for December Diploma
Monday, October 5, 2026	Convocation
Wednesday, October 7, 2026	Daniel T. Rolfe Scholars Memorial Heritage Lecture
Saturday, October 31, 2026	Last Day to Submit Dissertation for December Diploma



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Friday, November 20, 2026	Fall Semester Ends
Thursday, November 26, 2026 & Friday, November 27, 2026	Thanksgiving Holiday*
Friday, November 27, 2026	Grades Due in Workday/Registrar's Office
Friday, December 4, 2026	SEAPC for Continuing Students
Monday, January 4, 2027	Spring Classes Begin
Friday, January 15, 2027	ML King Remembrance Program
Monday, January 18, 2027	ML King Jr. Holiday*
Monday, March 8, 2027 - Friday, March 12, 2027	Spring Break
Thursday, April 1, 2027	Last Day to Publicly Defend Thesis for May Diploma
Wednesday, March 31, 2027	Ralph J. Cazort Heritage Lecture
Friday, March 26, 2027	Good Friday – Meharry Holiday*
Monday, April 5, 2027	Returning Students Summer 2027 Registration
Monday, April 5, 2027	Returning Students Fall 2027 Registration
Friday, April 16, 2027	Classes End for May Graduates



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Friday, April 23, 2027	Classes End for Continuing Students/PhD Research Continues
Friday, April 23, 2027	Last Day to Submit Thesis for May Diploma
Friday, April 23, 2027	Grades Due in Workday/Registrar's Office for May Grads
Friday, April 30, 2027	SEAPC for Graduates
Friday, April 30, 2027	Spring Semester Grades Due in Workday/Registrar's Office for Continuing Students
Friday, May 7, 2027	SEAPC for Continuing Students
Saturday, May 15, 2027	Commencement
Monday, May 31, 2027	Memorial Day Holiday*
Monday, May 31, 2027	Summer Session Begins
Friday, July 16, 2027	Summer Session Ends