

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR 2015-2016

<b>FALL SEMESTER 2015</b>		
August 13-14	Thursday-Friday	Faculty/Staff Institute
August 14	Friday	Student Leadership Retreat
August 15	Saturday	Residence halls open for new students <i>Freshman Orientation begins</i>
August 18	Tuesday	Residence halls open for continuing and transfer students <i>Clearing of student accounts and issuing of registration permits</i> Registration for freshmen
August 19	Wednesday	Registration for continuing and transfer students
August 20	Thursday	Fall Semester classes begin <i>Late registration begins</i>
August 24	Monday	Last day to register or add courses
September 4	Friday	Last day to drop a course without penalty
September 7	Monday	Labor Day Holiday
September 10	Thursday	Annual Fall Convocation
September 23	Wednesday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service Activities
October 5-8	Monday - Thursday	Mid-semester examinations
October 9	Friday	Mid-semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records
October 13	Tuesday	Graduate and Professional Schools Information Day
October 15	Thursday	Fall Semester Honors Day Convocation
October 29	Thursday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service activities
November 2-13	Monday - Friday	Academic planning, advisement, and pre-registration for Spring Semester
November 16-20	Monday - Friday	American Education Week
November 21	Saturday	Annual Fall Harvest Worship Service/Rally/Parade
November 25	Wednesday	Thanksgiving recess begins at 5:00 p.m.
November 30	Monday	Thanksgiving recess ends at 8:00 a.m.

December 3	Thursday	Last day of classes for fall semester
December 4	Friday	Posttests for freshmen
December 6	Sunday	Annual Christmas Concert
December 7	Monday	Final examinations begin
December 10	Thursday	Final examinations end <i>Residence halls close</i>
December 15	Tuesday	Fall Semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records
<b>SPRING SEMESTER 2016</b>		
January 4	Monday	Faculty and staff return <i>Faculty/Staff Mid-Year Conference</i>
January 5	Tuesday	Residence halls open for new and continuing students <i>Clearing of student accounts and issuing of registration permits</i>
January 6	Wednesday	Registration for 2016 Spring Semester
January 7	Thursday	Classes begin Late registration begins
January 11	Monday	Last day to register or add courses
January 14	Thursday	President's Informational Session
January 15	Friday	Last day to drop a course without penalty
January 24-30	Sunday - Saturday	Homecoming Week
January 18	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday Observance
January 27	Wednesday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service activities
February 1-5	Monday - Friday	African-American History Week
February 3	Wednesday	Middle School Visitation Day
February 4	Thursday	Spring Semester Honors Day Convocation
February 9-12	Tuesday - Friday	Science in Action Week
February 10	Wednesday	High School Visitation Day
February 16-19	Tuesday - Friday	Religious Emphasis Week
February 19	Friday	Mid-Winter Banquet and Rally
February 22-25	Monday - Thursday	Mid-semester examinations
February 26	Friday	Mid-semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records <i>Spring Break begins after 5:00 p.m.</i>

		<i>classes</i>
March 7	Monday	Spring Break ends at 8:00 a.m.
March 7-18	Monday - Friday	Academic planning, advisement, and pre-registration for Fall Semester
March 15	Tuesday	Prizes and Awards Night
March 16-18	Wednesday - Friday	Career Fest
March 15-18	Tuesday - Friday	Honors Week
March 17	Thursday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service activities
March 21-25	Monday - Friday	Fine Arts Festival
March 24	Thursday	Annual Easter Worship Service
March 25	Friday	Easter recess begins after 5:00 p.m.
March 29	Tuesday	Easter recess ends at 8:00 a.m.
April 26-29	Tuesday - Friday	Final examinations for graduating seniors
April 28	Thursday	Last day of classes for Spring Semester <i>Examinations in selected courses for freshmen</i>
April 29	Friday	Final grades for graduating seniors due in Office of Admissions and Records
May 2-6	Monday - Friday	Senior Week activities
May 2	Monday	Final examinations begin
May 5	Thursday	Final examinations end
May 7	Saturday	Annual Commencement Convocation <i>Residence halls close</i>
May 10	Tuesday	Spring Semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records <i>Last day of academic year for faculty</i>
<b>SUMMER SESSION 2016</b>		
June 6	Monday	Registration
June 7	Tuesday	Classes begin
July 19	Tuesday	Final examinations