

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR 2016-2017

FALL SEMESTER 2016		
August 11-12	Thursday - Friday	Faculty/Staff Institute
August 12	Friday	Student Leadership Retreat
August 13	Saturday	Residence halls open for new students <i>Freshman Orientation begins</i>
August 15	Monday	Freshman Orientation continues
August 16	Tuesday	Registration for freshmen <i>Residence halls open for continuing and transfer students</i> Clearing of student accounts and issuing of registration permits
August 17	Wednesday	Registration for continuing and transfer students
August 18	Thursday	Fall Semester classes begin Late registration begins
August 22	Monday	Last day to register or add courses
September 2	Friday	Last day to drop a course without penalty
September 5	Monday	Labor Day Holiday
September 8	Thursday	Annual Fall Convocation
September 21	Wednesday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service Activities
October 3-6	Monday-Thursday	Mid-semester examinations
October 7	Friday	Mid-semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records
October 11	Tuesday	Graduate and Professional Schools Information Day
October 13	Thursday	Fall Semester Honors Day Convocation
October 27	Thursday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service Activities
October 31-November 11	Monday - Friday	Academic planning, advisement, and pre-registration for 2017 Spring Semester
November 7-11	Monday - Friday	Business Week
November 14-18	Monday - Friday	American Education Week
November 19	Saturday	Annual Fall Harvest Worship Service/Rally/Parade
November 23	Wednesday	Thanksgiving recess begins at 5:00 p.m.
November 28	Monday	Thanksgiving recess ends at 8:00 a.m.
December 1	Thursday	Last day of classes for fall semester
December 2	Friday	Posttests for freshmen

December 4	Sunday	Annual Christmas Concert
December 5	Monday	Final examinations begin
December 8	Thursday	Final examinations end <i>Residence halls close</i>
December 13	Tuesday	Fall Semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records
<b>SPRING SEMESTER 2017</b>		
January 3	Tuesday	Faculty and staff return <i>Faculty/Staff Mid-Year Conference</i> Residence halls open for new and continuing students <i>Clearing of student accounts and issuing of registration permits</i>
January 4	Wednesday	<b>Registration for 2017 Spring Semester</b>
January 5	Thursday	Classes begin <i>Late registration begins</i>
January 9	Monday	Last day to register or add courses
January 12	Thursday	President's Informational Session
January 13	Friday	Last day to drop a course without penalty
January 16	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr., Birthday
January 22-28	Sunday-Saturday	Homecoming Week
January 25	Wednesday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service Activities
January 30 - February 3	Monday - Friday	African-American History Week
<b>SPRING SEMESTER 2017</b>		
February 1	Wednesday	Middle School Visitation Day
February 2	Thursday	Spring Semester Honors Day Convocation
February 7-10	Tuesday - Friday	Science in Action Week
February 8	Wednesday	High School Visitation Day
February 14-17	Tuesday- Friday	Religious Emphasis Week
February 17	Friday	Mid-Winter Banquet and Rally
February 20-23	Monday - Thursday	Mid-semester examinations
February 24	Friday	Mid-semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records <i>Spring Break begins after 5:00 p.m. classes</i>
<b>SPRING SEMESTER 2017</b>		
March 6	Monday	Spring Break ends at 8:00 a.m.
March 6-17	Monday - Friday	Academic Planning, Advisement, and Pre-Registration for Fall Semester
March 9-10	Thursday - Friday	Career Fest
March 14	Tuesday	Prizes and Awards Night
March 14-17	Tuesday - Friday	Honors Week
March 16	Thursday (Afternoon)	Institutional Service Activities
March 20-24	Monday - Friday	Fine Arts Festival

April 13	Thursday	Annual Easter Worship Service
April 14	Friday	Easter recess begins after 5:00 p.m.
April 18	Tuesday	Easter recess ends at 8:00 a.m.
April 25-28	Tuesday - Friday	Final examinations for graduating seniors
April 27	Thursday	Last day of classes for Spring Semester <i>Examinations in selected courses for freshmen</i>
April 28	Friday	Final grades for graduating seniors due in Office of Admissions and Records
May 1-5	Monday - Friday	Senior Week activities
May 1	Monday	Final examinations begin
May 4	Thursday	Final examinations end
May 6	Saturday	Annual Commencement Convocation <i>Residence halls close</i>
May 9	Tuesday	Spring Semester grades due in Office of Admissions and Records <i>Last day of academic year for faculty</i>
<b>2017 Summer Session</b>		
June 5	Monday	<b>Registration</b>
June 6	Tuesday	Classes Begin
July 18	Tuesday	Final Examinations