

# American Museum of Natural History

## Richard Gilder Graduate School

### Academic Calendar 2025-2026

#### **Fall Term** Sep 2, 2025– Dec 19, 2025

##### First Year Orientation

- Wednesday-Friday, August 27- August 29, 2025

##### Fall Registration

- Monday, September 1, 2025

##### Start of Fall Term

- Tuesday, September 2, 2025 (day after Labor Day)

##### Last Day to Add a Course

- Wednesday, October 1, 2025

##### Last Day to Drop a Course

- Saturday, November 1, 2025

##### School Holidays:

- Columbus Day or Indigenous Peoples' Day: Monday, October 13, 2025
- Election Day: Tuesday, November 4, 2025
- Veteran's Day: Tuesday, November 11, 2025
- Thanksgiving Recess: Thu. and Fri., Nov 27-28, 2025

##### Winter Registration

- Saturday, November 1, 2025

##### Classes End

- Tuesday, December 16, 2025

##### Finals/Projects & Presentations/Make-Up Days (if necessary):

- Wed.-Fri., December 17-19, 2025

*End of Fall Term - Friday, December 19, 2025*

#### **Winter Term** Dec 20, 2025 – Jan 19, 2026

##### Start of Winter Term

- Saturday, December 20, 2025

##### Last Day to Add a Course

- Thursday, January 1, 2026

##### Last Day to Drop a Course

- Thursday, January 1, 2026

##### Spring Registration

- Thursday, January 1, 2026

##### Winter Holidays

- Winter Recess: Sat.-Thurs., December 20-25, 2025
- New Year: Thursday, January 1, 2026
- Martin Luther King Day: Monday, January 19, 2026

*End of Winter Term - Monday, January 19, 2026*

#### **Spring Term** Jan 20, 2026– May 12, 2026

##### Start of Spring Term

- Tuesday, January 20, 2026

##### Last Day to Add a Course

- Sunday, February 1, 2026

##### School Holidays:

- Lincoln's Birthday, Thurs., February 12, 2026
- President's Day: Monday, February 16, 2026
- Spring Break: Mon-Fri, March 16 - March 20, 2026

##### Last Day to Drop a Course

- Sunday, March 15, 2026

##### Summer Registration

- Friday, May 1, 2026

##### Classes End

- Wednesday, May 6, 2026

##### Finals/Projects & Presentations/Make-Up Days (if necessary):

- Thurs.-Tues., May 7-12, 2026

*End of Spring Term - Tuesday, May 12, 2026*

#### **Summer Term** May 13, 2026– Sep 6, 2026

##### Start of Summer Term

- Wednesday, May 13, 2026

##### Last Day to Add a Course

- Monday, June 1, 2026

##### Qualifying Examination (2nd Year Students)

- Monday-Monday, August 17-24, 2026

##### Summer Holidays

- Memorial Day: Monday, May 25, 2026
- Juneteenth: Friday, June 19, 2026
- Independence Day: Saturday, July 4, 2026  
Observed: Friday, July 3, 2026
- Labor Day: Monday, September 7, 2026

##### Last Day to Drop a Course

- Wednesday, July 15, 2026

##### Fall Registration

- Tuesday, September 1, 2026

*End of Summer Term - Monday, September 6, 2026*