

Richard Gilder Graduate School

**Academic Calendar
2026-2027**

Fall Term Sep 8, 2026 – Dec 23, 2026

First Year Orientation

- Wednesday-Friday, September 2-4, 2026

Fall Registration

- Tuesday, September 1, 2026

Start of Fall Term

- Tuesday, September 8, 2026

Last Day to Add a Course

- Thursday, October 1, 2026

Last Day to Drop a Course

- Sunday, November 1, 2026

Academic Holidays:

- Columbus/Indigenous Peoples' Day: Monday, October 12, 2026
- Election Day: Tuesday, November 3, 2026
- Veteran's Day: Wednesday, November 11, 2026
- Thanksgiving Recess: Thu. and Fri., Nov 26-27, 2026

Winter Registration

- Sunday, November 1, 2026

Classes End

- Friday, December 18, 2026

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

- Mon.-Wed., December 21-23, 2026

End of Fall Term – Wednesday, December 23, 2026

Winter Term Dec 24, 2026 – Jan 18, 2027

Start of Winter Term

- Thursday, December 24, 2026

Last Day to Add a Course

- Friday, January 1, 2027

Last Day to Drop a Course

- Friday, January 1, 2027

Spring Registration

- Friday, January 1, 2027

Winter Holidays

- Winter Recess: Thurs.-Sun., December 24-27, 2026
- New Year: Friday, January 1, 2027
- Martin Luther King Day: Monday, January 18, 2027

End of Winter Term - Monday, January 18, 2027

Spring Term Jan 19 – May 12, 2027

Start of Spring Term

- Tuesday, January 19, 2027

Last Day to Add a Course

- Monday, February 1, 2027

School Holidays:

- Lincoln's Birthday, Friday, February 12, 2027
- President's Day: Monday, February 15, 2027
- Spring Break: Mon-Fri, March 15 - March 19, 2027

Last Day to Drop a Course

- Monday, March 15, 2027

Summer Registration

- Saturday, May 1, 2027

Classes End

- Friday, May 7, 2027

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

- Mon-Wed., May 10-12, 2027

End of Spring Term - Wednesday, May 12, 2027

Summer Term May 13 – Sep 6, 2027

Start of Summer Term

- Thursday, May 13, 2027

Last Day to Add a Course

- Tuesday, June 1, 2027

Summer Holidays

- Memorial Day: Monday, May 31, 2027
- Juneteenth: Saturday, June 19, 2027
Observed: Friday, June 18, 2027
- Independence Day: Sunday, July 4, 2027
Observed: Monday, July 5, 2027
- Labor Day: Monday, September 6, 2027

Last Day to Drop a Course

- Thursday, July 15, 2027

Fall Registration

- Wednesday, September 1, 2027

End of Summer Term - Monday, September 6, 2027