2020 – 2021 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

2020 Fall Semester Key Dates

July 4 ................................................................. Independence Day – University Holiday
August 19 ............................................................. Fall School Conference
August 27 ............................................................. Convocatum Est
September 7 ....................................................... Labor Day – University Holiday
September 24 ........................................................ Fall Opening Convocation
September 1 – 30 ................................................ Request to Remove an “I” Grade from Spring/Summer 2020
September 8 ....................................................... Early Application Deadline for May 2021 Graduation Candidates
                                                (for Fall Convocation Participation)
September 30 ................................................... Application Deadline for May 2021 Graduation Candidates
October 5 – 9 ...................................................... Homecoming Activities
October 5 .......................................................... School of Arts and Sciences Graduation
October 6 .......................................................... School of Business Graduation
October 7 .......................................................... School of Education Graduation
October 8 .......................................................... School of Theology Graduation
October 8 – 10 .................................................... Homecoming – No Classes
October 30 ........................................................ Last Day to Remove an “I” Grade for Spring/Summer 2020
November 2 – 30 ............................................... Spring 2021 Semester Terms Advising
November 26 – 28 .............................................. Thanksgiving – University Holiday
December 24 – 25 .............................................. Christmas – University Holiday
December 31 – January 1 ..................................... New Year’s – University Holiday
December 21 – January 8 ..................................... Winter Break – No Classes

2020 Fall Semester Term Dates

VBL: Virtual-Based Learning / CBL: Campus-Based Learning

Term I – VBL (Four-Week Session)
July 13 ................................................................. Term I Classes Begin
July 15 ................................................................. Term I Add/Drop Ends
July 22 ............................................................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term I
August 7 ............................................................. Term I Classes End
August 9 ............................................................. Term I Grades Due

Term II – VBL (Eight-Week Session)
August 10 ............................................................. Term II Classes Begin
August 13 ............................................................. Term II Add/Drop Ends
September 4 ....................................................... Term II Midterm Grades Due
September 14 .................................................. Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term II
October 2 ............................................................. Term II Classes End
October 4 ............................................................. Term II Grades Due
Term III – VBL (Four-Week Session)
August 17 ................................................................. Term III Classes Begin
August 19 ............................................................... Term III Add/Drop Ends
August 26 ..................................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term III
September 11 ............................................................. Term III Classes End
September 13 ............................................................. Term III Grades Due

Term IV – VBL/CBL (Sixteen-Week Session)
August 24 ................................................................. Term IV Begins
August 28 ............................................................... Term IV Add/Drop Ends
October 17, 19 – 23 .................................................... Term IV Midterm Exams
October 25 ............................................................... Term IV Midterm Grades Due
November 9 ..................................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term IV
November 23 ........................................ Deadline to Receive Withdrawal Grade of “WO” or “WF” for Term IV
December 5, 7 – 11 .................................................... Term IV Final Exams
December 13 ............................................................. Term IV Grades Due

Term V – VBL/CBL (Four-Week Session)
October 19 ................................................................. Term V Classes Begin
October 21 ............................................................... Term V Add/Drop Ends
October 28 ..................................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term V
November 13 ............................................................. Term V Classes End
November 15 ............................................................. Term V Grades Due

Term VI – VBL/CBL (Eight-Week Session)
October 26 ................................................................. Term VI Classes Begin
October 29 ............................................................... Term VI Add/Drop Ends
November 20 ............................................................. Term VI Midterm Grades Due
November 30 ..................................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term VI
December 18 ............................................................. Term VI Classes End
December 20 ............................................................. Term VI Grades Due
2021 Spring Semester Key Dates

December 21 – January 8 ............................................................... Winter Break – No Classes
January 1 .................................................................................. New Year’s – University Holiday
January 18 .............................................................................. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday – University Holiday
February 1 – 26 ................................................................. Request to Remove an “I” Grade from Fall 2020 Semester Terms
February 5 ........................................................................................... Founders’ Day Celebration
March 26 ........................................................................................... Application Deadline for August 2021 Candidates
March 31 .................................................................................. Deadline to Begin May 2022 Graduation Applications
(May 31) .............................................................. Last Day to Remove an “I” Grade from Fall 2020 Semester Terms
April 1 – 30 ................................................................................... AY 2021-2022 Semester Terms Advising
April 5 – 10 .................................................................................. PantherFest
April 13 ................................................................................... Major Area Assessments/Testing Day – No Classes
April 15 ...................................................................................... Honors and Academic Achievement Recognition
April 31 ........................................................................................ Application Deadline for December 2021 Candidates
May 8 .......................................................................................... Commencement
May 10 .......................................................................................... Spring School Conference
May 14 ....................................................................................... Deadline to complete May 2022 Graduation Applications
(May 14) .............................................................. Last Day to Remove an “I” Grade from Fall 2020 Semester Terms
May 31 .......................................................................................... Memorial Day – University Holiday
July 4 – 5 ........................................................................................... Independence Day – University Holiday

2021 Spring Semester Term Dates

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Term I – VBL (Eight-Week Session)

January 11 ............................................................................... Term I Classes Begin
January 17 ............................................................................... Term I Add/Drop Ends
February 5 .................................................................................. Term I Midterm Grades Due
February 15 .............................................................................. Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term I
March 5 ........................................................................................ Term I Classes End
March 7 ...................................................................................... Term I Grades Due

Term II – VBL (Sixteen-Week Session)

January 11 .................................................................................. Term II Begins
January 17 .................................................................................. Term II Add/Drop Ends
March 1 – 6 ................................................................................... Term II Midterm Exams
March 7 ........................................................................................ Term II Midterm Grades Due
April 5 ...................................................................................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term II
April 19 ................................................................................... Deadline to Receive Withdrawal Grade of “WO” or “WF” for Term II
April 24, 26 – 30 ................................................................................. Term II Final Exams
May 2 .......................................................................................... Term II Grades Due
Term III – VBL (Four-Week Session)
January 25……………………………………………………………………. Term III Classes Begin
January 31 ................................................................. Term III Add/Drop Ends
February 3 ...................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term III
February 19 ................................................................. Term III Classes End
February 21 ....................................................................... Term III Grades Due

Term IV – VBL/CBL (Four-Week Session)
March 15............................................................................. Term IV Classes Begin
March 21 ............................................................................ Term IV Add/Drop Ends
March 24 .............. Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term IV
April 9 ............................................................................. Term IV Classes End
April 11 ............................................................................. Term IV Grades Due

Term V – VBL/CBL (Eight-Week Session)
March 15 ............................................................................. Term V Classes Begin
March 21 ............................................................................ Term V Add/Drop Ends
April 9 ................................................................. Term V Midterm Grades Due
April 19 ...................... Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term V
May 2 ............................................................................. Term V Grades Due for Graduating Seniors
May 7 ............................................................................. Term V Classes End
May 9 ............................................................................. Term V Grades Due

Term VI – VBL/CBL (Four-Week Summer Session)
May 17 ............................................................................. Term VI Classes Begin
May 23 ............................................................................ Term VI Add/Drop Ends
May 26 .............. Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term VI
June 11 ............................................................................. Term VI Classes End
June 13 ............................................................................. Term VI Grades Due

Term VII – VBL/CBL (Six-Week Summer Session)
May 17 ............................................................................. Term VII Classes Begin
May 23 ............................................................................ Term VII Add/Drop Ends
June 3 .............. Last Day to Withdraw from a Course with a Grade of “W” for Term VII
June 25 ............................................................................. Term VII Classes End
June 27 ............................................................................. Term VII Grades Due