University Calendar

Some University Calendar dates may change; see Calendars and Deadlines on the Office of the Registrar website for the most up-to-date academic calendar.

2021 Fall Semester

August 23 Opening of classes
September 6 University holiday, no classes, offices closed
November 21-28 Thanksgiving recess (consult Dentistry and Medicine collegiate offices for recess dates)
November 25-26 University holidays, offices closed
November 29 Classes resume
December 10 Close of classes
December 13-17 Final examination week
December 16-19 Commencement ceremonies*
December 23-24 University holidays, offices closed

*Fall commencement ceremonies: dates vary by college; see Commencement on the Office of the Registrar website.

2021-22 Winter Session

December 20 Opening of classes
December 23-25 University holidays, no classes, offices closed
December 31-January 1 University holidays, no classes, offices closed
January 14 Close of classes

2022 Spring Semester

January 17 Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation, all classes suspended, offices closed
January 18 Opening of classes
March 13-20 Spring break
May 6 Close of classes
May 9-13 Final examination week
May 12-15 Commencement ceremonies**

**Spring commencement ceremonies: dates vary by college; see Commencement on the Office of the Registrar website.

2022 Summer Sessions

The University of Iowa offers several summer sessions: one 12-week session, one 8-week session, two 6-week sessions, and one 4-week session. Each session is listed below in order by its starting date.

May 17-June 9 Four-week session (final examination day: June 10)
May 17-June 23 Six-week session I (final examination day: June 24)
May 17-August 4 Twelve-week session (final examination day: August 5)
May 30 University holiday, no classes, offices closed
June 13-August 4 Eight-week session (final examination day: August 5)

Office of the Registrar Calendars

The Office of the Registrar provides additional calendars that list detailed academic deadlines, final exam schedules, and University holidays. It also publishes a five-year academic calendar. See Calendars and Deadlines on the Office of the Registrar website.

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Individual College Calendars

Some University of Iowa colleges have academic year schedules that vary from the one listed above. Contact the individual colleges or visit their websites; use the A-Z Search or the Directory Search on the University of Iowa home page.