

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.

2020 Fall Semester

August 24	Opening of classes
September 7	University holiday, no classes, offices closed
November 22-29	Thanksgiving recess (consult Dentistry and Medicine collegiate offices for recess dates)
November 26-27	University holidays, offices closed
November 30	Classes resume
December 11	Close of classes
December 14-18	Final examination week
December 17-20	Commencement ceremonies*
December 24-25	University holidays, offices closed

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

2020-21 Winter Session

December 28	Opening of classes
January 1	University holiday, no classes, offices closed
January 18	Martin Luther King Jr. Convocation, all classes suspended, offices closed
January 22	Close of classes

2021 Spring Semester

January 25	Opening of classes
May 7	Close of classes
May 10-14	Final examination week
May 13-16	Commencement ceremonies**

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

2021 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 18-June 10	Four-week session (final examination day: June 11)
May 18-June 24	Six-week session I (final examination day: June 25)
May 18-August 5	Twelve-week session (final examination day: August 6)
May 31	University holiday, no classes, offices closed
June 14-August 5	Eight-week session (final examination day: August 6)
June 28-August 5	Six-week session II (final examination day: August 6)
July 5	University holiday, no classes, offices closed

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.

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.