# Proposed Academic Calendar \& Session Updates 

2022 - 2027 Academic Calendar Proposal | May 2021

## Goals \& Proposed Updates

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## Goals for the updated Academic Calendar

This is an impactful change for all students, faculty, and staff

## Right-size and simplify Summer term | Fix Compliance Risk

- Summer term currently runs for 16 weeks and has 9 sessions
- Creates overlap for 'carousel' programs = compliance risk
- See Compliance Impact of Calendar Proposal
- The following institutions have between a 11 and 13 -week summer (most common is 12 -week): $\underline{A S U}, \underline{N A U}, \underline{B u f f a l o, ~ K e n t u c k y, ~ I n d i a n a, ~ S t o n y ~ B r o o k, ~ N Y U, ~ U S C, ~}$ Brown, Utah, Washington -St. Louis, Illinois, MIT, Purdue, Toronto, Cornell, Boston.


## Create a Fall Break

- Thanksgiving Week - least disruption to lab-based classes
- Respite before the end of semester


## Support Undergraduate Fall Extended Orientation

- Begin Fall term on Wednesday
- See Extended Orientation Proposal


## Retain most of the Calendar as-is

- No Changes to Spring term, winter session dates
- Summer term begin, Fall term end dates remain
- Keep the two tentpoles of the Academic Calendar
- December 20: The Last day of finals shall be the last Thursday in December falling on or before December 20.
- May 11: Spring Commencement shall be on the First Friday in May falling on or after May 11. The last day of finals shall be the day before commencement


## Overview of Requests

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Modify Calendar guidelines
Fall
    Begin on Wednesday
    Extend Thanksgiving break to full week
Summer
    Consolidate 5W1, 5W2, 7W1, 7W2, 8E, 8F
        to 6W1 & 6W2
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## Proposed Academic

Calendar Guidelines Revisions

## Update Academic Calendar \& Sessions

AY 21-22: Summer 2022
AY 22-23: Fall 2022, Summer 2023
AY 23-24: Fall 2023, Summer 2024
*No requested changes for Spring terms or Winter Session

Approve Academic Calendar

- AY 24-25: Fall 2024, Winter 2024, Spring 2025, Summer 2025
- AY 25-26: Fall 2025, Winter 2025, Spring 2026, Summer 2026
- AY 26-27: Fall 2026, Winter 2026, Spring 2027, Summer 2027


## Academic Calendar Dates

## Calendar Year 2022

First update Summer 2022 | Fall 2023 begins on Wednesday


## Calendar Year 2023

Updates to Summer 2023 and Fall 2023


## Calendar Year 2024

Update to Summer 2024 | First review/approval for Fall 2024, Winter 2024
2024
Spring 2024 | January 10, 2024 - May 9, 2024 |No Changes*


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Note: There is an extra week between Summer 2024 and Fall 2024. This will align with the guidance for the term to end on the Thurssay before $12 / 20$, keeps
the term start at the third Wednesday in August and allows for more than 3 days the term start at the third Wednesday in
of instruction after Thanksgiving Recess.

*Term ends before standard 'Commencement shall be on the first Friday in May Falling on or after May 11
Summer 2024 | May 13, 2024 - August 7, 2024 Dates that are updated


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## Fall 2024 | August 21, 2024 - December 19, 2024

| Count of Class Meetings |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | ssion Description | Begin | End | M | T | w | R | F | MWF Days | TR Days | MW Days |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 8/21/2024 | 12/11/2024 | 13 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 44 | 30 | 29 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 8/21/2024 | 9/25/2024 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 9/26/2024 | 10/30/2024 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 10/31/2024 | 12/11/2024 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 10 | 9 |
| 7W1 | Seven Week - First | 8/21/2024 | 10/13/2024 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week-Second | 10/14/2024 | 12/11/2024 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 |
| 8WA* | Fall 8 Week 1st | 8/26/2024 | 10/20/2024 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WB* | Fall 8 Week 2nd | 10/21/2024 | 12/15/2024 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 |

Winter 2024 | December 23, 2024 - January 14, 2025

 | WIN | Winter Session | $12 / 23 / 2024$ | $1 / 14 / 2025$ | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
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## Calendar Year 2025

First review/approval for Spring 2025, Summer 2025, Fall 2025, Winter 2025

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${ }^{\wedge}$ College of Law JD coursework begin 8/18/2025

Winter 2025 | December 22, 2025 - January 13, 2026

 | Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF Days | TR Days |
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Fall 2025 | August 20, 2025 - December 18, 2025

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| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 8/20/2025 | 12/10/2025 | 14 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 29 | 30 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 8/20/2025 | 9/24/2025 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 9/25/2025 | 10/29/2025 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 10/30/2025 | 12/10/2025 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 9 | 10 |
| $7{ }^{\text {W1 }}$ | Seven Week - First | 8/20/2025 | 10/12/2025 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week- Second | 10/13/2025 | 12/10/2025 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 14 | 16 |
| $8 \mathrm{WA}^{*}$ | Fall 8 Week 1st | 8/25/2025 | 10/19/2025 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| $8 \mathrm{WB}^{*}$ | Fall 8 Week 2nd | 10/20/2025 | 12/14/2025 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 14 | 16 | ${ }^{*}$ *W Sessions -no $M-W$ Thanksgiving Break or Reading Days 7 THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

## Calendar Year 2026

First review/approval for Spring 2026, Summer 2026, Fall 2026, Winter 2026


Winter 2026 | December 21, 2026 - January 12, 2027

| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | Flass Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |
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| Win | MWF Days | TR Days | MW Days |  |  |  |  |  | | Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF Days | TR Days | MW Days |
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| WIN | Winter Session | $12 / 21 / 2026$ | $1 / 12 / 2027$ | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 7 |

Spring 2026 | January 14, 2026 - May 14, 2026

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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | w | R | F | Mwf days | TR Days | mw Days |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 1/14/2026 | 5/6/2026 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 30 | 30 |
| 5 W 1 | Five Week - First | 1/14/2026 | 2/18/2026 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 2/19/2026 | 4/1/2026 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| $5{ }^{\text {5W3 }}$ | Five Week - Third | 4/2/2026 | 5/6/2026 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| $7{ }^{\text {7w1 }}$ | Seven Week - First | 1/14/2026 | 3/6/2026 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7 W 2 | Seven Week - Second | 3/16/2026 | 5/6/2026 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 15 | 16 |
| 8WC* | Spring 8 Week 1st | 1/12/2026 | 3/8/2026 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WD* | Spring 8 Week 2nd | 3/9/2026 | 5/3/2026 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 24 | 16 | 16 |
| *8W Sessions -no Reading Days or Spring break |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Summer 2026 \|May 18, 2026 - August 12, 2026 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Ssion Description | Begin | End | M | T | w | R | F | MWF Days | TR Days | Mw Days |
| PRE | Pre-session | 5/18/2026 | 6/6/2026 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| ${ }^{13 W}$ | 13 Week | 5/18/2026 | 8/12/2026 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 36 | 25 | 25 |
| 10w | 10 Week | 6/8/2026 | 8/12/2026 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 28 | 19 | 20 |
| 6W1* | Six Week- - irst | 5/18/2026 | 6/30/2026 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 13 | 12 |
| 6W2* | Six Week- Second | 7/1/2026 | 8/12/2026 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 18 | 12 | 13 |

Fall 2026 | August 19, 2026 - December 17, 2026

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays $\&$ Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | w | R | F | MwF Days | TR Days | Mw Days |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 8/19/2026 | 12/9/2026 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 44 | 30 | 29 |
| 5 W 1 | Five Week - First | 8/19/2026 | 9/23/2026 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 9/24/2026 | 10/28/2026 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 10/29/2026 | 12/9/2026 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 10 | 9 |
| 7w1 | Seven Week- First | 8/19/2026 | 10/11/2026 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7w2 | Seven Week- Second | 10/12/2026 | 12/9/2026 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 |
| 8WA* | Fall 8 Week 1st | 8/24/2026 | 10/18/2026 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WB* | Fall 8 Week 2nd | 10/19/2026 | 12/13/2026 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 | $8 \mathrm{BB}^{*}$ Fall 8 Week 2nd *8W Sessions - no Reading Days

## Calendar Year 2027

First review/approval for Spring 2027, Summer 2027 | Preview dates for Fall 2027


# Supporting Documents 

Proposed Academic Calendar Guidelines Revisions<br>Compliance Impact of Calendar Proposal<br>Proposed Academic Calendar and Sessions: PDF I Excel

## Academic Calendar Guidelines Revision

| Title | Guidelines for the Academic Calendar |
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| Current Link | https://academicadmin.arizona.edu/sites/default/files/faculty senate academic calendar guidelines spring 2017.pdf |

> Revision Side by Side
> Additions in Green - Deletions in Yellow

Existing Guidance
General:

- The nominal length of the semester is 15 weeks of classes plus one week of final examinations.
- There shall not be less than 44 days nor more than 46 days in the MWF sequence.
- There shall not be less than 29 days nor more than 31 days in the TTh sequence.
- Last teaching day in the semester - Wednesday.
- Finals - start on Friday and extend through the following Thursday, including the Saturday following the first Friday.

Fall Semester:

- Classes shall start on Monday.
- Holidays will be Labor Day, Veterans' Day, and Thanksgiving Recess (four days starting on Thanksgiving Day).
- Last day of finals shall be the last Thursday in December falling on or before 12/20.
- New Student Orientation Program (last session) - Thursday and Friday prior to classes starting Monday.
- Freshman Convocation - Friday prior to classes starting on Monday.


## Proposed Edit

## General:

- The nominal length of the semester is 15 weeks of classes plus one week of final examinations.
- There shall not be less than 44 days nor more than 46 days in the MWF sequence.
- There shall not be less than 29 days nor more than 31 days in the TTh sequence.
- Last teaching day in the semester - Wednesday.
- Finals - start on Friday and extend through the following Thursday, including the Saturday following the first Friday.
- All standard sessions from previous terms will end prior to the next term beginning.

Fall Semester:

- Classes shall-will start on Monday Wednesday.
- Holidays will be Labor Day, Veterans' Day, and Thanksgiving Recess (four days seven days starting the Monday of on Thanksgiving Week Day).
- Typically the last day of finals shall be the last Thursday in December falling on or before 12/20.


## Academic Calendar Guidelines Revision

## Existing Guidance

- Honors Convocation - Friday afternoon (3:30-5:00 p.m. - no classes 35 p.m.) immediately preceding Family Weekend.

Spring Semester:

- Classes will start on a Wednesday.
- Holidays shall be Martin Luther King Day (third Monday in January) and Spring Recess (9 days, Saturday to Sunday inclusive, the eighth full week of classes).
- Last Friday of finals shall be the day before commencement.
- Commencement shall be on the first Saturday in May falling on or after May 11.
- New Student Orientation Program (last session) - Monday and Tuesday prior to classes starting on Wednesday.

Summer/Winter Sessions:

- Summer Session needs 13 weeks from the last day of spring semester (three weeks for presession (15 days) and two five-week summer terms (23 days each).
- Winter Session needs 14 teaching days between Fall and Spring semesters.

Designated Ten University of Arizona Holidays:

- Independence Day - July 4th *
- Labor Day - first Monday in September
- Veterans' Day - November11th *
- Thanksgiving - fourth Thursday and Friday in November
- Christmas Holidays - December 25th plus one additional day
- New Years Day - January 1st *
- Martin Luther King Day - third Monday in January
- Memorial Day - last Monday in May
* According to State Statue the holiday is observed on the weekday it falls on except as follows:
- if the holiday falls on a Saturday it will be observed on Friday

Proposed Edit

- New Student Orientation Program (last session) - Thursday and Friday prior to classes starting Monday.
- Freshman Convocation - Friday prior to classes starting on Monday.
- New Student Registration (last sessions) - Various dates the week prior to classes beginning.
- New Student Orientation/Welcome - Monday and Tuesday prior to classes starting on Wednesday.
- Honors Convocation - Friday afternoon (3:30-5:00 p.m. - no classes 35 p.m.) immediately preceding Family Weekend.


## Spring Semester:

- Classes will start on a Wednesday.
- Holidays shall be Martin Luther King Day (third Monday in January) and Spring Recess (9 days, Saturday to Sunday inclusive, the eighth full week of classes)
- Last Friday Thursday of finals shall be the day before commencement.
- Typically Commencement shall be on the first Saturday-Friday in May falling on or after May 11.
- New Student Orientation Program-Registration (last session) -Monday-and Tuesday prior to classes starting on Wednesday.

Summer/Winter Sessions:

- Summer Session needs shall be 13 weeks from the last day of spring semester (three weeks for presession ( $1514 \mathrm{M}-\mathrm{F}$ days), and two fiveweek summer terms ( 23 M-F days each), and two six-week sessions (between 30-31 days M-F each).
- There will be no summer sessions that extend past the last day of the 13 week session.
- Winter Session needs shall be 14 teaching days between Fall and Spring semesters.

Designated Ten University of Arizona Holidays:

- Independence Day - July 4th *
- Labor Day - first Monday in September


## Academic Calendar Guidelines Revision

## Existing Guidance

- if the holiday falls on a Sunday it will be observed on Monday

Note: Class day totals do not include holidays, spring recess, reading day or final examinations.

## Proposed Edit

- Veterans' Day - November11th *
- Thanksgiving - fourth Thursday and Friday in November
- Christmas Holidays - December 25th plus one additional day
- New Years Day - January 1st *
- Martin Luther King Day - third Monday in January
- Memorial Day - last Monday in May
* According to State Statue the holiday is observed on the weekday it falls on except as follows:
- if the holiday falls on a Saturday it will be observed on Friday
- if the holiday falls on a Sunday it will be observed on Monday

Note: Class day totals do not include holidays, spring recess, reading days or final examinations.

## 2022

Spring 2022 | January 12, 2022 - May 12, 2022 | No Changes

| Summer 2022 \| May 16, 2022 - August 10, 2022 |  |  |  |  | Dates that are updated |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Previous Dates |  | New Dates |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Session | Begin | End | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF Days | TR <br> Days | MW <br> Days |
| PRE | 5/16/2022 | 6/4/2022 | 5/16/2022 | 6/4/2022 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 13W | 5/16/2022 | 8/10/2022 | 5/16/2022 | 8/10/2022 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 36 | 25 | 24 |
| 10W | 6/6/2022 | 8/10/2022 | 6/6/2022 | 8/10/2022 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 28 | 19 | 19 |
| 6W1* | 5/16/2022 | 7/1/2022 | 5/16/2022 | 6/28/2022 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 13 | 12 |
| 6W2* | 7/4/2022 | 8/19/2022 | 6/29/2022 | 8/10/2022 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 12 | 12 |

No Revisions require $A B O R$ approval
Note: 5W, 7W, \& 8W sessions consolidated to 6Ws

| Fall 2 | Previous Dates |  | New Dates |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Begin | End | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MW } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 | 8/22/2022 | 12/7/2022 | 8/17/2022 | 12/7/2022 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 44 | 30 | 30 |
| 5W1 | 8/22/2022 | 9/23/2022 | 8/17/2022 | 9/21/2022 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | 9/26/2022 | 10/28/2022 | 9/22/2022 | 10/26/2022 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | 10/31/2022 | 12/7/2022 | 10/27/2022 | 12/7/2022 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 14 | 10 | 10 |
| 7W1 | 8/22/2022 | 10/12/2022 | 8/17/2022 | 10/9/2022 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | 10/13/2022 | 12/7/2022 | 10/10/2022 | 12/7/2022 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 22 | 15 | 16 |
| 8WA* | 8/29/2022 | 10/23/2022 | 8/22/2022 | 10/16/2022 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WB* | 10/24/2022 | 12/18/2022 | 10/17/2022 | 12/11/2022 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 22 | 15 | 16 |

*8W Sessions - no M-W Thanksgiving Break or
Reading Days

8/17/2022 term start date must be approved by ABOR

Winter 2022 | December 19, 2022 - January 10, 2023 | No Changes

## 2023

Spring 2023 | January 11, 2023 - May 11, 2023 |No Changes

| Summer 2023 \| May 15, 2023 - August 9, 2023 |  |  |  |  | Dates that are updated |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | Previous Dates |  | New Dates |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Session | Begin | End | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { MW } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| PRE | 5/15/2023 | 6/3/2023 | 5/15/2023 | 6/3/2023 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 13W | 5/15/2023 | 8/9/2023 | 5/15/2023 | 8/9/2023 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 37 | 24 | 25 |
| 10W | 6/5/2023 | 8/9/2023 | 6/5/2023 | 8/9/2023 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 29 | 18 | 20 |
| 6W1* | 5/15/2023 | 6/30/2023 | 5/15/2023 | 6/27/2023 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 13 | 12 |
| 6W2* | 7/3/2023 | 8/18/2023 | 6/28/2023 | 8/9/2023 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 19 | 11 | 13 |

*Showing original dates for 7W1/7W2.
No Revisions require $A B O R$ approval
Note: 5W, 7W, \& 8W sessions consolidated to 6Ws

Fall 2023 | August 16, 2023 - December 14, 2023

|  | Previous Dates |  | New Dates |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Session | Begin | End | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | TR Days | MW <br> Days |
| 1 | 8/21/2023 | 12/6/2023 | 8/16/2023 | 12/6/2023 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 14 | 44 | 30 | 30 |
| 5W1 | 8/21/2023 | 9/22/2023 | 8/16/2023 | 9/20/2023 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | 9/25/2023 | 10/27/2023 | 9/21/2023 | 10/25/2023 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | 10/30/2023 | 12/6/2023 | 10/26/2023 | 12/6/2023 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 14 | 10 | 10 |
| 7W1 | 8/21/2023 | 10/11/2023 | 8/16/2023 | 10/8/2023 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | 10/12/2023 | 12/6/2023 | 10/9/2023 | 12/6/2023 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 6 | 22 | 15 | 16 |
| 8WA* | 8/28/2023 | 10/22/2023 | 8/21/2023 | 10/15/2023 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WB* | 10/23/2023 | 12/17/2023 | 10/16/2023 | 12/10/2023 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 15 | 16 |

*8W Sessions - no M-W Thanksgiving Break or
Reading Days

8/16/2023 term start date must be approved by ABOR

Winter 2023 | December 18, 2023 - January 9, 2024 | No Changes

## 2024

## Spring 2024 | January 10, 2024 - May 9, 2024 |No Changes*

*Term ends before standard 'Commencement shall be on the first Friday in May Falling on or after May 11'

Summer 2024 | May 13, 2024 - August 7, 2024


*Showing original dates for 7W1/7W2.

Note: 5W, 7W, \& 8W sessions consolidated to 6Ws

No Revisions require ABOR approval
Last Term Submitted to Faculty Senate \& ABOR

Fall 2024 | August 21, 2024 - December 19, 2024

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { MW } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 8/21/2024 | 12/11/2024 | 13 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 44 | 30 | 29 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 8/21/2024 | 9/25/2024 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 9/26/2024 | 10/30/2024 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 10/31/2024 | 12/11/2024 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 10 | 9 |
| 7W1 | Seven Week - First | 8/21/2024 | 10/13/2024 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week - Second | 10/14/2024 | 12/11/2024 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 |
| 8WA* | Fall 8 Week 1st | 8/26/2024 | 10/20/2024 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WB* | Fall 8 Week 2nd | 10/21/2024 | 12/15/2024 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 |

*8W Sessions - no M-W Thanksgiving Break or
Reading Days

First Term that needs full Review/Approval

Winter 2024 | December 23, 2024 - January 14, 2025

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | MW <br> Days |
| WIN | Winter Session | 12/23/2024 | 1/14/2025 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 |

## 2025

Spring 2025 | January 15, 2025 - May 15, 2025

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Day | ss Hol | ys \& | ading |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | MW <br> Days |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 1/15/2025 | 5/7/2025 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 30 | 30 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 1/15/2025 | 2/19/2025 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 2/20/2025 | 4/2/2025 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 4/3/2025 | 5/7/2025 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 7W1 | Seven Week - First | 1/15/2025 | 3/7/2025 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week - Second | 3/17/2025 | 5/7/2025 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 15 | 16 |
| 8WC* | Spring 8 Week 1st | 1/13/2025 | 3/9/2025 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WD* | Spring 8 Week 2nd | 3/10/2025 | 5/4/2025 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 24 | 16 | 16 |

*8W Sessions - no Reading Days or Spring Break

## Summer 2025 |May 19, 2025 - August 13, 2025

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | MW <br> Days |
| PRE | Pre-session | 5/19/2025 | 6/7/2025 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 13W | 13 Week | 5/19/2025 | 8/13/2025 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 36 | 25 | 25 |
| 10W | 10 Week | 6/9/2025 | 8/13/2025 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 28 | 19 | 20 |
| 6W1 | Six Week - First | 5/19/2025 | 7/1/2025 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 13 | 12 |
| 6W2 | Six Week - Second | 7/2/2025 | 8/13/2025 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 18 | 12 | 13 |

Fall 2025 | August 20, 2025 - December 18, 2025

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { MW } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 8/20/2025 | 12/10/2025 | 14 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 29 | 30 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 8/20/2025 | 9/24/2025 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 9/25/2025 | 10/29/2025 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 10/30/2025 | 12/10/2025 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 9 | 10 |
| 7W1 | Seven Week - First | 8/20/2025 | 10/12/2025 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week - Second | 10/13/2025 | 12/10/2025 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 14 | 16 |
| 8WA* | Fall 8 Week 1st | 8/25/2025 | 10/19/2025 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WB* | Fall 8 Week 2nd | 10/20/2025 | 12/14/2025 | 8 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 14 | 16 |

*8W Sessions - no M-W Thanksgiving Break or
Reading Days
Winter 2025 | December 22, 2025 - January 13, 2026

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | MW <br> Days |
| WIN | Winter Session | 12/22/2025 | 1/13/2026 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 9 | 5 | 6 |

## 2026

## Spring 2026 | January 14, 2026 - May 14, 2026

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | MW Days |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 1/14/2026 | 5/6/2026 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 30 | 30 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 1/14/2026 | 2/18/2026 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 2/19/2026 | 4/1/2026 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 4/2/2026 | 5/6/2026 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 7W1 | Seven Week - First | 1/14/2026 | 3/6/2026 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week - Second | 3/16/2026 | 5/6/2026 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 15 | 16 |
| 8WC* | Spring 8 Week 1st | 1/12/2026 | 3/8/2026 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WD* | Spring 8 Week 2nd | 3/9/2026 | 5/3/2026 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 24 | 16 | 16 |

*8W Sessions - no Reading Days or Spring Break

## Summer 2026 |May 18, 2026 - August 12, 2026

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | MW <br> Days |
| PRE | Pre-session | 5/18/2026 | 6/6/2026 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 13W | 13 Week | 5/18/2026 | 8/12/2026 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 36 | 25 | 25 |
| 10W | 10 Week | 6/8/2026 | 8/12/2026 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 8 | 28 | 19 | 20 |
| 6W1* | Six Week - First | 5/18/2026 | 6/30/2026 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 13 | 12 |
| 6W2* | Six Week - Second | 7/1/2026 | 8/12/2026 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 18 | 12 | 13 |

Fall 2026 | August 19, 2026 - December 17, 2026

|  |  |  |  | Days |  |  |  |  |  |  | eading |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | MW <br> Days |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 8/19/2026 | 12/9/2026 | 14 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 44 | 30 | 29 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 8/19/2026 | 9/23/2026 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 9/24/2026 | 10/28/2026 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 10/29/2026 | 12/9/2026 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 14 | 10 | 9 |
| 7W1 | Seven Week - First | 8/19/2026 | 10/11/2026 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week - Second | 10/12/2026 | 12/9/2026 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 |
| 8WA* | Fall 8 Week 1st | 8/24/2026 | 10/18/2026 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WB* | Fall 8 Week 2nd | 10/19/2026 | 12/13/2026 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 22 | 15 | 15 |

*8W Sessions - no Reading Days
Winter 2026 | December 21, 2026 - January 12, 2027

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | w | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { MW } \\ & \text { Days } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| WIN | Winter Session | 12/21/2026 | 1/12/2027 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 8 | 6 | 7 |

## 2027

Spring 2027 | January 13, 2027 - May 13,2027

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | $\begin{gathered} \text { TR } \\ \text { Days } \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { MW } \\ & \text { Days } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 1/13/2027 | 5/5/2027 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 45 | 30 | 30 |
| 5W1 | Five Week - First | 1/13/2027 | 2/17/2027 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W2 | Five Week - Second | 2/18/2027 | 3/31/2027 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 5W3 | Five Week - Third | 4/1/2027 | 5/5/2027 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 15 | 10 | 10 |
| 7W1 | Seven Week - First | 1/13/2027 | 3/5/2027 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 22 | 15 | 14 |
| 7W2 | Seven Week - Second | 3/15/2027 | 5/5/2027 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 23 | 15 | 16 |
| 8WC* | Spring 8 Week 1st | 1/11/2027 | 3/7/2027 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 23 | 16 | 15 |
| 8WD* | Spring 8 Week 2nd | 3/8/2027 | 5/2/2027 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 8 | 24 | 16 | 16 |

*8W Sessions - no Reading Days or Spring Break

Summer 2027 |May 17, 2027 - August 11, 2027

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF Days | TR Days | MW <br> Days |
| PRE | Pre-session | 5/17/2027 | 6/5/2027 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 8 | 6 | 5 |
| 13W | 13 Week | 5/17/2027 | 8/11/2027 | 11 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 12 | 36 | 25 | 24 |
| 10W | 10 Week | 6/7/2027 | 8/11/2027 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 28 | 19 | 19 |
| 6W1* | Six Week - First | 5/17/2027 | 6/29/2027 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 13 | 12 |
| 6W2* | Six Week - Second | 6/30/2027 | 8/11/2027 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 6 | 6 | 18 | 12 | 12 |

Fall 2027 | August 18, 2027 - December 16, 2027

|  |  |  |  | Count of Class Meetings - less Holidays \& Reading Days |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Session | Session Description | Begin | End | M | T | W | R | F | MWF <br> Days | TR Days | MW <br> Days |
| 1 | Regular Academic Session | 8/18/2027 | 12/8/2027 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 14 | 15 | 45 | 29 | 30 |

AY 27-28 - Dates for Information and not approval

## Compliance Impact of Calendar Proposal

Issue:
In order to maintain our status as a 'standard term' designation for federal financial aid, programs cannot contain coursework that overlaps academic terms. The longer summer term necessary to fit two 8 -week sessions for the "Carousel Programs" creates an overlap in academic terms with the regular fall semester. These overlapping terms create issues for growing dual degrees, accelerated master's programs, or simply for students to take electives across the university.

The administration of the two calendars is complex and burdensome for students, the academic units, and university offices.

If the university were to adopt a non-term approach to financial aid, we estimate that it would cost roughly $\$ 200,000$ additional per year to administer these programs. It is important to recognize that the non-term designation is program-specific (not student-specific), so if one student in a program enrolls in overlapping coursework, all students in the program are impacted. Of course, this makes resource planning extremely difficult. Depending on student enrollment patterns, the impact could vary widely from year to year. Our understanding is that other ABOR institutions have discontinued their non-term programs due to the associated costs and administrative burden.

## Background:

The Office of Scholarships and Financial Aid has been advocating for years to alter the academic calendar, in order to avoid the potential for overlapping terms and more easily maintain our program designations as "standard terms." This is an issue of institutional compliance that could have farreaching implications for our office and the way we process and disburse federal student aid. We endorse the current calendar proposal, not only to allow for the extended student orientation, but even more importantly to address this critical compliance issue, as described in more detail below.

According to an Electronic Announcement published November 5, 2019, "...although 'standard terms' are not defined in statute or regulation, the requirements that must be met for a term to be considered a standard term have been established in longstanding Department of Education (Department) policy. Institutions that use standard term academic calendars are subject to the simplest and least burdensome requirements for disbursement of student financial assistance under Title IV of the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (Title IV aid). Academic terms not meeting the Department's requirements for standard terms are considered to be nonstandard terms [or non-terms], and institutions with nonstandard term academic calendars must generally comply with more complex rules for disbursing Title IV aid." At the University of Arizona, our systems, processes, and policies are not set up in order to easily allow us to calculate and disburse Title IV aid for nonstandard or non-term programs. Making such adjustments would require a significant financial and staffing commitment, and would likely also create confusion and frustration for students.

The 2020-21 Federal Student Aid Handbook (page 3-10) indicates that "a standard term may contain an occasional class or classes that are longer than the normal term or that begin or end beyond the normal start or end date of the term, as long as the class or classes do not overlap another term...Standard terms may not overlap within a program. If an extended class overlaps another term, the program's academic calendar must be treated as non-term." Page 3-24 goes on to explain that, for non-term credit-hour programs, "the student becomes eligible to receive a disbursement of FSA grant funds for

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the second payment period when the student successfully completes half the weeks of instructional time AND half the credit-hours...in the academic year or program or the remaining portion of a program that is more than one-half of an academic year but less than a full academic year." Page 3-22 in the same volume indicates that the same rules apply to Direct Loan disbursements.

The calculation of Pell Grant awards is also impacted if a program is considered non-term. Page 3-69 of the 2020-21 Federal Student Aid Handbook provides the following guidance: "In non-term programs, the student's Pell award is not reduced for part-time enrollment unless the student is enrolled less than half-time...The calculation for the payment period prorates a student's Scheduled Award based on the number of credit or clock-hours in the payment period as they compare to the credit or clock-hours in the defined academic year or the number of weeks of instructional time in the payment period as they compare to the weeks of instructional time in the academic year." Implementing such changes to the way we calculate Pell Grants for some students would create inconsistencies and confusion across campus, and again significantly increase the administrative burden of calculating and disbursing correct amounts. Additional staff would be required due to the volume of manual, student-by-student evaluation and intervention.

To summarize, if we allow a student to take coursework that overlaps terms, we are required to calculate and disburse aid under the rules for non-term programs. In order to avoid this, we have been manually identifying students at risk of overlapping terms and working with the Registrar's Office to make necessary adjustments to their enrollment (i.e., removing the students from the class). To streamline, avoid confusion, and reduce compliance risk, we have consistently recommended making adjustments to the academic calendar, particularly to avoid possible overlap between summer and fall terms.

## Example of 2021 Calendar Overlap



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