

Graduate Academic Calendar

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Fall Semester 2015

Date	Description
July 1	Last day for domestic applicants to apply for Fall admission to a degree program on Starkville or Meridian campus
July 31	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
August 1	Last day for domestic and international applicants to apply for Distance degree program for Fall semester
June 1-September 30	TAGGS online application for November 1-April 30, 2016, conference travel period
August 7	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
August 12-14	Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshop and Classroom Certification
August 16	Deadline for domestic applicants to apply Unclassified for Starkville, Meridian, or Distance for Fall semester
August 16	Last day for all applicants to apply Distance Unclassified for Fall
August 17	Classes begin
August 21	Last day to drop a class without a grade
August 24	Last day to register or to add a course
August 24-October 2	Apply via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee
September 7	Holiday
September 28	Last day to drop a course with a W grade
October 1	Deadline for international applicants to apply to degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus for Spring semester
October 2	Last day to apply for December graduation; \$50 fee
October 3-30	Late application via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
October 5	Midpoint of semester
October 5-6 (dates subject to change)	Fall Break
October 8	Last day to drop a course with a W grade - 5:00 PM
October 19-30	Faculty advising for preregistration
October 23	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense or non-thesis comprehensive examination for December graduation
October 30	Last day for department to submit signed examination/defense results to the Graduate School for December graduation
October 30	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to the Library for December graduation
October 30	Last day to apply via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee
October 31-December 1	Very late online application for December graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
November 1	Last day for doctoral preliminary/comprehensive examination for May graduation
November 1	Last day for domestic applicants to apply for degree program on Starkville or Meridian campus for Spring semester
November 2-13	Spring pre-registration
November 12	Last day to withdraw from the University (drop entire semester schedule)
November 17-19	3MT Competition
November 20	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for December graduation
November 24	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for MAY graduation and no Spring semester enrollment required
November 25, 26, 27	Holiday
November 30	Class resume
December 1-March 30	TAGGS online application for conference travel May 1, 2016, through October 31, 2016
December 1	Deadline for domestic and international applicants to apply for Distance degree program for Spring semester
December 1	Last day for very late application via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee

December 1	Classes end
December 1	Deadline for graduate students receiving incomplete grade in previous semester to submit required coursework
December 2, 3	Reading days (No mandatory class assignments, requirements, meetings)
December 4	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for MAY graduation and no Spring semester enrollment required
December 4, 7-10	Final examinations
December 5, 11, 12	Make-up days (if needed)
December 11	Last day for December 2015 degree applicants to pay account balance
December 11 (11:00 AM)	MSU-Meridian Commencement, MSU Riley Center
December 11 (7:00 PM)	Starkville Campus Commencement ceremony for all colleges
December 14	Final grades due 12:00 noon
December 22-January 1	Holiday

Spring Semester 2016

Date	Description
January 6-8	General Teaching Assistant Workshop
January 10	Deadline for all applicants to apply Distance Unclassified for Spring semester
January 10	Deadline for domestic applicants to apply Unclassified for Starkville or Meridian campus--Spring semester
January 11	Classes begin
January 15	Last day to drop a class without a grade
January 18	Holiday
January 18-February 26	Apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee
January 19	Last day to register or add a class
February 1	Last day for doctoral preliminary/comprehensive examination for August graduation
February 26	Last day to apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee
February 27-March 31	Late application via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
March 1	Deadline for international applicants to apply for degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus for Summer semester
March 1	Mid-point of semester
March 1	Last day to drop a course with a W grade
March 11	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense and non-thesis comprehensive exam and May graduation
March 14-18 (dates subject to change)	Spring Break
March 21-April 1	Faculty advising for preregistration
March 24	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to the Library for May graduation
March 24	Last day for department to submit signed examination results to the Graduate School for May graduation
March 25	Holiday
March 31	Last day to apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee + \$50 late fee
April 1-27	Very late application via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
April 4-15	Preregistration for Summer and Fall semesters
April 13	Last day to withdraw from the University (drop entire semester schedule)
April 15	Last day for submission of Library-approved thesis/dissertation to the Library for May graduation
April 22	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for AUGUST graduation and no Summer enrollment required
April 27	Last day to apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee + \$200 late fee
April 27	Classes end
April 28	Reading day
April 29	Last day for final submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for AUGUST graduation and no summer enrollment required
April 29-May 5	Final examinations
April 30 and May 6	Make-up days if needed
May 1	Deadline for domestic applicants to apply for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus for Summer semester

May 1	Deadline for international applicants to apply for degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus for Fall semester
May 6	Last day for May 2015 degree applicants to pay account balance
May 6 11:00 AM	MSU-Meridian Commencement, MSU Riley Center
May 6, 7:00 P.M.	Commencement - Bagley College of Engineering; Swalm School of Chemical Engineering; College of Veterinary Medicine; College of Agriculture & Life Sciences; School of Human Sciences; College of Forest Resources; College of Education
May 7, 10:00 A.M.	Commencement - College of Arts & Sciences; College of Architecture, Art & Design; School of Architecture; College of Business; Adkerson School of Accountancy
May 9	Final grades due 12:00 noon
May 15	Deadline for all applicants to apply for Distance degree programs for Summer semester

Summer Semester 2016

The Summer Semester 2016 calendar will be posted at a later date. (http://www.grad.msstate.edu/academic_calendar)