

Graduate Calendar

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Fall Semester 2016

Date	Description
July 1	Deadline for domestic applicants to apply for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus--Fall semester
August 1	Deadline for domestic and international applicants to apply for Distance degree programs--Fall semester
August 8-11	Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshop and Classroom Certification
August 9	International Orientation
August 15	Deadline for Fall Unclassified applications: International for Distance only; domestic for all campuses - 11:59 PM (CST)
August 16	Classes begin
August 22	Last day to drop a class without a grade (5th class day) - 5:00 PM
August 22-October 14	Apply via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee
August 23	Last day to register or to add a course (6th class day) - 8:00 AM
September 5	Holiday
October 1	Deadline for international applicants to apply to degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus for Spring semester
October 1-December 31	TAGGS online application for January 1-June 30, 2017, travel period
October 5	Midpoint of semester
October 5	Last day to drop a course with a W grade (36th class day) - 5:00 PM
October 13-14 (dates subject to change)	Fall Break
October 14	Last day to apply for December graduation; \$50 fee
October 15-November 30	Late application via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee
October 17-28	Faculty advising for pre-registration
October 21	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense or non-thesis comprehensive examination for December graduation
October 28	Last day for department to submit signed examination/defense results to the Graduate School for December graduation
October 28	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to the Library for December graduation
October 28	Last day to apply via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
October 31-November 11	Spring pre-registration
November 1	Last day for doctoral preliminary/comprehensive examination for May graduation
November 1	Last day for domestic applicants to apply for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus--Spring semester
November 11	Last day to withdraw from the University (10 days of class remaining)
November 15-17	3MT Competition
November 18	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for December graduation
November 22	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for MAY graduation and no Spring semester enrollment required
November 23, 24, 25	Holiday
November 28	Classes resume
November 30	Last day for late application via MyState for December graduation; \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee. Applications are NOT accepted after NOVEMBER 30.
November 30	Deadline for graduate students receiving incomplete grade in previous semester to submit required coursework
November 30	Classes end
December 1	Deadline for domestic and international applicants to apply for Distance degree program--Spring semester
December 1-2	Reading days (No mandatory class assignments, requirements, meetings)
December 2	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for MAY graduation and no Spring semester enrollment required

December 3 & 10	Make-up days (if needed)
December 5-9	Final examinations
December 9	Last day for December 2016 degree applicants to pay account balance
December 9 (11:00 AM)	MSU-Meridian Commencement, MSU Riley Center
December 9 (Processional begins at 6:30 PM; formal ceremony begins at 7:00)	Starkville Campus Commencement ceremony for all colleges
December 12	Final grades due 12:00 noon
December 21-30	Holiday

Spring Semester 2017

Date	Description
January 4-6	General Teaching Assistant Workshop
January 8	Deadline for international applications for Distance Unclassified or domestic Unclassified applications for Starkville, Meridian, Distance campuses--Spring semester
January 9	Classes begin
January 13	Last day to drop a class without a grade (5th class day) - 5:00 PM
January 16	Holiday
January 16-February 24	Apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee
January 17	Last day to register or add a class (6th class day) - 8:00 AM
February 1	Last day for doctoral preliminary/comprehensive examination for August graduation
February 24	Last day to apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee
February 25-March 31	Late application via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
February 28	Mid-point of semester
February 28	Last day to drop a course with a W grade (36th class day) - 5:00 PM
March 1	Deadline for international applicants to apply for degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus--Summer semester
March 10	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense and non-thesis comprehensive exam for May graduation
March 13-17 (dates subject to change)	Spring Break
March 20-31	Faculty advising for pre-registration
March 23	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 31	Last day to apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
April 1-26	Very late application via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
April 3-14	Pre-registration for Summer and Fall semesters
April 11	Last day to withdraw from the University (10 days of classes remaining)
April 13	Last day for submission of Library-approved thesis/dissertation to the Library for May graduation
April 14	Holiday
April 21	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for AUGUST graduation and no Summer enrollment required
April 26	Last day to apply via MyState for May graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
April 26	Deadline for graduate students receiving an Incomplete grade in the previous semester to submit the coursework
April 26	Classes end
April 27	Reading day
April 28	Last day for final submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for AUGUST graduation and no summer enrollment required
April 28-May 4	Final examinations
April 29 and May 5	Make-up days if needed
May 1	Deadline for domestic applicants to apply for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus--Summer semester
May 1	Deadline for international applicants to apply for degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus for Fall semester

May 5	Last day for May 2016 degree applicants to pay account balance
May 5, 11:00 AM	MSU-Meridian Commencement, MSU Riley Center
May 5, 6:30 P.M.--Processional begins; 7:00 P.M.--Program begins	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 6, 9:30 A.M.--Processional begins; 10:00 A.M.--Program begins	Commencement - College of Arts & Sciences; College of Architecture, Art & Design; School of Architecture; College of Business; Adkerson School of Accountancy
May 8	Final grades due 12:00 noon
May 15	Deadline for all applicants to apply for Distance degree programs for Summer semester

Summer Semester 2017 - Maymester

Date	Description
May 1	Deadline for Fall 2017 international applicants applying for degree programs or Unclassified admission on Starkville or Meridian Campus
May 8	Classes begin
May 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26	Maymester classes meet
May 9	Last day to add or drop a course (2nd class day)
May 12	Last day to drop a course with a "W" grade (5th class day) - 5:00 PM
May 15	Last day for domestic and international applicants to apply for Distance degree programs
May 17-June 16	Apply online via MyState for August 2017 graduation; \$50 fee
May 23	Last day to withdraw from the University (5 class days remaining)
May 26	Classes end
May 27	Reading day
May 29	Holiday
May 30	Final examinations
June 1	Final grades due 12:00 noon
June 1	Last day for PhD students graduating in December to take preliminary/comprehensive examination(s)
June 16	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee
June 17-July 14	Late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
June 23	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense and non-thesis comprehensive exam for August graduation
June 29	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
July 1	Last day for domestic degree program applicants to apply for Starkville and Meridian campuses- Fall 2017 semester
July 7	Last day for academic departments to submit signed examination results to Graduate School for August graduation
July 14	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 plus \$50 late fee
July 15-July 31	Very late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
July 21	Last day for final submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
July 28	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
July 31	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
August 1	Last day for domestic and international distance degree program applications
August 4	Last day for August degree applicants to pay account balance
August 5	Last day for final submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
August 11	Graduation (No commencement ceremony. August graduates are invited to participate in December ceremony with no charge except regalia rental.)

Summer Semester 2017 - 1st Five Weeks

Date	Description
May 15	Last day for domestic and international applicants to apply for Distance degree programs
May 17-June 16	Apply online for August graduation; \$50 fee
June 1	Classes begin

June 1	Last day for December PhD degree applicants to take preliminary/comprehensive examination(s)
June 2	Last day to add or drop a class (2nd class day)
June 16	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee
June 17-July 16	Late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
June 20	Last day to withdraw from the University (5 class days remaining)
June 20	Last day to drop a class with "W" grade - 5:00 PM
June 23	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense and non-thesis comprehensive exam for August graduation
June 27	Classes end
June 28	Reading day
June 29	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
June 29	Final examinations
July 1	Last day for domestic degree program applications for Starkville and Meridian campuses
July 4	Holiday
July 7	Last day to submit signed examination results to Graduate School for August graduation
July 14	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
July 15-July 31	Very late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
July 21	Last day for final submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
July 28	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
June 30	Final grades due 12:00 noon
July 31	Deadline to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
August 1	Last day for domestic and international Distance degree program applications
August 4	Last day for August degree applicants to pay account balance
August 4	Last day for final submission to thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
August 11	Graduation (No commencement ceremony. August graduates are invited to participate in December ceremony with no charge except regalia rental.)

Summer Semester 2017 - 2nd Five Weeks

Date	Description
May 17-June 16	Apply online for August graduation; \$50 fee
June 1	Last day for December PhD degree applicants to take preliminary/comprehensive examination(s)
June 16	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee
June 17-July 16	Late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
June 23	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense and non-thesis comprehensive exam for August graduation
June 29	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
July 1	Last day for domestic degree program applications for Starkville and Meridian campuses
July 4	Deadline for international applicants applying for Distance Unclassified admission or domestic applicants applying for Starkville or Meridian Unclassified admission: 11:59 PM (CST)
July 4	Holiday
July 5	Classes begin
July 6	Last day to add or drop a course
July 7	Last day for academic department to submit signed examination results to Graduate School for August graduation
July 14	Last day to apply late for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
July 15-July 31	Very late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
July 21	Last day submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
July 24	Last day to drop a class with "W" grade - 5:00 PM
July 24	Last day to withdraw from the University (5 class days remaining)
July 28	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
July 31	Classes end
July 31	Deadline to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
August 1	Last day for domestic and international Distance degree program applications - Fall semester

August 1	Reading day
August 2, 3	Final examinations
August 4	Last day for August degree applicants to pay account balance
August 4	Last day for final submission of thesis/dissertation for DECEMBER graduation
August 7	Final grades due 12:00 noon
August 11	Graduation (No commencement ceremony. August graduates are invited to participate in December ceremony with no charge except regalia rental.)

Summer Semester 2017 - 10- Week Term

Date	Description
May 15	Last day for domestic and international applications for Distance degree programs
May 17-June 16	Apply online via MyState for August graduation; \$50 fee
May 31	Deadline for international applicants applying for Distance Unclassified or domestic applicants applying for Starkville and Meridian campuses; 11:59 PM (CST)
June 1	Classes begin
June 1	Last day for December PhD degree applicants to take preliminary/comprehensive examination(s)
June 5	Last day to add or drop a class (3rd class day)
June 16	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee
June 17-July 16	Late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
June 23	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense and non-thesis comprehensive exam for August graduation
June 29	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
June 29 - July 4	Break for 10-week term
July 1	Last day for domestic application for degree programs on Starkville and Meridian campuses
July 4	Holiday
July 8	Last day for academic department to submit signed examination results to Graduate School for August graduation
July 14	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$50 late fee
July 14	Last day to drop a course with a "W" grade (28th class day) - 5:00 PM
July 15-July 31	Very late online application for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
July 21	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for August graduation
July 24	Last day to withdraw from the University (5 class days remaining)
July 28	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
July 31	Classes end
July 31	Last day to apply for August graduation; \$50 fee plus \$200 late fee
August 1	Last day for domestic and international application for Distance degree programs
August 1	Reading day
August 2, 3	Final examinations
August 4	Last day for August degree applicants to pay account balance
August 4	Last day for final submission of thesis/dissertation to Library for DECEMBER graduation and no Fall enrollment required
August 7	Final grades due 12:00 noon
August 11	Graduation (No commence ceremony. August graduates are invited to participate in December ceremony with no charge except regalia rental.)