

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS' COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

ACTION REQUEST: Approval of Academic Calendar for 2020-2021

The attached calendar for the academic year 2020-2021 differs from the models and principles used for the past several years in calendar planning. The calendar includes a pre-Labor Day start, Monday, August 31, which provides a one-week break between the end of summer term and the start of fall term. It also includes a fall break, October 19 - 20 and no classes on the day before Thanksgiving, November 25. Classes will end on Thursday, December 10, and exams will end on Monday, December 21. The winter term will start on Wednesday, January 6, 2021.

Holiday Issues

There are no conflicts with religious holidays contained in this calendar.

Spring Break

Application of the University's principle of scheduling spring break in the eighth week of the winter term has resulted in the University break occurring not in the last week of February, which is often the case, but the first week of March. The break begins on Saturday, February 27, and classes resume on Monday, March 8.

Number of Class Days

Fall term has 68 class days; winter has 69 class days.

The proposed calendar has been vetted by faculty and administrative groups. I am writing to request your approval of the 2020-2021 academic calendar.

Respectfully submitted,



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Provost and Executive Vice President
for Academic Affairs

**UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ACADEMIC CALENDAR
ANN ARBOR CAMPUS**

FALL TERM, 2020

Classes begin.....	Aug 31, Mon
Labor Day (Holiday)	Sept 7, Mon
Fall Study Break.....	Oct 19-20, Mon-Tues
Thanksgiving recess, 5:00 p.m.	Nov 24, Tues
Classes end.....	Dec 10, Thurs
Study Days.....	Dec 11, Fri & Dec 12-13, Sat-Sun
Examinations.....	Dec 14-18, Mon-Fri
.....	Dec 21, Mon
Commencement.....	Dec 20, Sun

68 class days: M=13, T=14, W=14, Th=14, F=13

WINTER TERM, 2021

Classes begin.....	Jan 6, Wed
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (University Symposia/No Regular Classes).....	Jan 18, Mon
Vacation begins 12:00 noon.....	Feb 27, Sat
Classes resume	Mar 8, Mon
University Honors Convocation	Mar 14, Sun
Classes end.....	Apr 20, Tues
Study Days	Apr 21, Wed; Apr 24-25, Sat-Sun
Examinations.....	Apr 22-23, Thurs-Fri &
.....	Apr 26-Apr 29, Mon-Thurs
Commencement Activities	Apr 29-May 2, Thurs-Sun

69 class days: M=13, T=14, W=14, Th=14, F=14

SPRING-SUMMER TERM, 2021

Classes begin.....	May 4, Tues
Memorial Day (Holiday).....	May 31, Mon
Classes end (Spring Half) 5:00 p.m.	June 21, Mon
Study Days.....	June 22-23, Tues-Wed
Examinations.....	June 24-25, Thurs-Fri
Spring Half Term ends.....	June 25, Fri
Summer Half Term classes begin.....	June 30, Wed
Independence Day (Holiday)	July 5, Mon
Classes end, 5:00 p.m.	Aug 17, Tues
Study Day	Aug 18, Wed
Examinations.....	Aug 19-20, Thurs-Fri
Full Term and Summer Half Term end.....	Aug 20, Fri

*Students enrolling in Business Administration, Dentistry, Law, Pharmacy, Social Work, and Medicine should check with their respective schools for academic calendar information including registration. This calendar is subject to change.