

**ACADEMIC CALENDAR**  
**FALL 2008, SPRING 2009 and SUMMER 2009 SEMESTERS**

August 7, 2008	Deadline for Completion of <b>all</b> degree requirements for Summer Term degree completion (all students)
<b>Fall 2008 Semester</b>	
August 21, 2008	First day of classes – Fall Semester
August 27, 2008	<b>Add/Drop period ends</b>
September 1, 2008	Labor Day Holiday
September 10, 2008	<b>Degree Completion Workshop</b>
September 26, 2008	Last day for <b>Fall</b> degree candidates to submit graduation applications for December graduation
October 31, 2008	Last day to withdraw from a course with a grade of "W"
November 3, 2008	Advance registration begins for <b>Spring</b> semester for all continuing students
November 14, 2008	*Suggested last day to submit completed "Notice of Final Examination" to School of Medicine Office of Graduate Education for Fall degree completion. <b>Completed draft of thesis/dissertation must be distributed prior to submission of schedule notice to Office of Graduate Education.</b>
November 27 - 30, 2008	University closed for Thanksgiving holiday
December 1, 2008	*Suggested last day to defend for December graduation
December 6, 2008	Last day of classes, <b>Fall</b> semester
December 13, 2008	University Fall Commencement (includes graduates for August and December, 2007 terms)
December 11, 2008	Final copies of thesis/dissertation signature pages <b>must</b> be in the School of Medicine Office of Graduate Education for December completion of degree.

December 22, 2008	Winter University closing
January 5, 2009	University reopens
<b>Spring 2009 Semester</b>	
January 12, 2009	First day of classes – Spring semester
January 18, 2009	Add/drop period ends
January 19, 2009	Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday
January 21, 2009	<b>Degree Completion Workshop</b>
January 30, 2009	Last day for <b>Spring</b> degree candidates to submit graduation applications for May graduation
March 8 - 15, 2009	Spring break
March 20, 2009	Last day to withdraw from a course with a grade of "W"
March 23, 2009	Advance registration begins for <b>Summer</b> semester
March 30, 2009	Advance registration begins for <b>Fall</b> semester
April 10, 2009	*Suggested last day to submit completed "Notice of Final Examination" to School of Medicine Office of Graduate Education for Spring degree completion. <b>Completed draft of thesis/dissertation must be distributed prior to submission of schedule notice.</b>
April 24, 2009	*Suggested last day to defend for Spring graduation
May 1, 2009	Last day of classes, <b>Spring</b> semester
May 7, 2009	Final copies of thesis/dissertation signature pages <b>must</b> be in the School of Medicine Office of Graduate Education for May completion of degree.
May 15, 2009	<b>School of Medicine Graduate Programs Recognition Event</b>
May 16, 2009	University Spring Commencement

## Summer 2009 Semester

**For students initiating M.D. or D.D.S. training in the Fall 2009 term, please be aware that all advanced degree requirements must be completed *prior* to matriculation in either program.**

May 18, 2009	Summer term begins
May 25, 2009	Memorial Day Holiday
June 3, 2009	<b>Degree Completion Workshop</b>
June 12, 2009	Last day for <b>Summer</b> degree candidates to submit graduation applications for August graduation
July 16, 2009	Suggested last day to submit "Notice of Final Examination" to School of Medicine Office of Graduate Education for Summer degree completion. <b>Completed draft of thesis/dissertation must be distributed prior to submission of schedule notice.</b>
July 29, 2009	Suggested last day to defend for Summer graduation
August 6, 2009	Final copies of thesis/dissertation signature pages must be in the School of Medicine Office of Graduate Education for August completion of degree.