

Academic Calendar

2026-27 (TENTATIVE)

FALL SEMESTER 2026

August 17	Monday	Orientation for all new distance program students begins
August 19	Wednesday	Orientation for all new residential program students begins
August 21	Friday	Opening Service
August 24	Monday	Fall Semester begins (excluding SMP & ODS programs)
August 31	Monday	Deadline for complete SMP applications for Spring 2027
-	·	matriculation
September 7	Monday	Labor Day holiday – Seminary closed
September 14	Monday	Fall Semester classes begin for SMP program
September 15	Tuesday	Fall Semester classes begin for ODS program
September 22	Tuesday	Theological Symposium – no classes
September 23	Wednesday	Theological Symposium – no classes
October 5	Monday	Registration begins for Winterim and Spring Terms
October 9	Friday	Registration ends for Winterim and Spring Terms
October 12	Monday	Reading Week begins – no residential class sessions are
		scheduled. (Online class sessions for semester-long courses
		in non-residential programs are in session.)
October 19	Monday	Session I and midterm grades deadline
October 19	Monday	Classes resume and Fall Semester Session II begins
October 31	Saturday	Deadline for SMP ELCEs for Spring 2027 matriculation
November 15	Sunday	International student application deadline (Graduate School)
November 23	Monday	Fall Semester SMP Term ends
November 24	Tuesday	Fall Semester ODS Term ends
November 24	Tuesday	Thanksgiving recess begins after classes
November 26	Thursday	Thanksgiving
November 30	Monday	Classes resume
December 7	Monday	SMP Fall Semester grade deadline
December 8	Tuesday	ODS Fall Semester grade deadline
December 11	Friday	Fall Semester ends after classes

WINTERIM TERM 2027

January 4	Monday	Fall Semester grade deadline
January 4	Monday	Winterim Term classes begin
January 4	Monday	ODS Winterim courses begin
January 4	Monday	Reduced Residency Graduate School courses begin
January 4	Monday	GPC Intensive courses begin
January 8	Friday	GPC Intensive courses end
January 11	Monday	SMP Intensive courses begin
January 15	Friday	SMP Intensive courses end
January 15	Friday	Reduced Residency Graduate School courses end
January 15	Friday	ODS Winterim courses end
January 18	Monday	DMin on-campus seminar begins
January 21	Thursday	DMin on-campus seminar ends
January 22	Friday	Winterim Term ends



SPRING SEMESTER 2027

January 25	Monday	Spring Semester classes begin (excluding SMP and ODS programs)
February 1	Monday	SMP Spring Orientation begins
February 4	Thursday	SMP Spring Orientation ends
February 12	Friday	Winterim grade deadline
February 22	Monday	Spring Semester classes begin for SMP program
February 23	Tuesday	Spring Semester classes begin for ODS program
February 28	Sunday	Application Deadline for Fall 2027 (All Programs)
February 28	Sunday	Scholarship deadline for Old Testament, New Testament, Christian Doctrine ELCEs for Fall 2027 matriculation (Residential Ministerial Formation programs only)
March 8	Monday	Registration begins for Summer and Fall Terms
March 12	Friday	Registration ends for Summer and Fall Terms
March 15	Monday	Reading Week begins – no residential class sessions are scheduled. (Online class sessions for semester-long courses in non-residential programs are in session.)
March 22	Monday	Classes resume and Spring Semester Session II begins
March 22	Monday	Session I and Midterm grades deadline
March 24	Wednesday	Easter recess begins after classes
March 28	Sunday	Easter
March 30	Tuesday	Classes resume (excluding SMP & ODS programs)
April 5	Monday	Classes resume for SMP program
April 6	Tuesday	Classes resume for ODS program
April 28	Wednesday	Call Day
April 30	Friday	Deadline for Old Testament, New Testament, Christian Doctrine ELCEs for Fall 2027 matriculations
May 4	Tuesday	Multiethnic Symposium – no classes
May 5	Wednesday	Multiethnic Symposium – no classes
May 10	Monday	Spring Semester classes end for SMP program
May 11	Tuesday	Spring Semester classes end for ODS program
May 13	Thursday	Spring Semester ends after classes
May 14	Friday	Commencement



SUMMER TERM 2027

May 15	Saturday	Deadline for Greek and Hebrew ELCEs for Fall 2027
		matriculation
May 17	Monday	Summer Term begins
May 24	Monday	SMP Spring Semester grade deadline
May 25	Tuesday	ODS Spring Semester grade deadline
May 27	Thursday	Spring Semester grade deadline
May 31	Monday	Memorial Day – Seminary closed
June 7	Monday	Summer Term classes begin for SMP program
June 7	Monday	Reduced Residency Graduate School courses begin
Junes 8	Tuesday	Summer Term classes begin for ODS program
June 14	Monday	Summer Greek begins
June 18	Friday	Reduced Residency Graduate School courses end
June 21	Monday	SMP & GPC Intensive courses begin
June 25	Friday	SMP & GPC Intensive courses end
July 5	Monday	Independence Day (observed) – Seminary closed
August 13	Friday	Summer Greek ends
August 13	Friday	Summer Term grade deadline for Summer Greek
August 16	Monday	SMP Summer Session ends
August 17	Tuesday	ODS Summer Session ends
August 17	Tuesday	Summer Term ends
August 31	Tuesday	Summer Term Grade deadline