Spring 2021 Academic Calendar

November 2 (Monday) International Applicants: Deadline for Receipt of Complete Graduate Applications for Spring 2021. Please review all requirements via sgaes.desu.edu/admissions. The applicant is encouraged to contact his or her program(s) of interest via sgaes.desu.edu/about/graduate-program-directory as some have earlier deadlines.

November 16 (Monday) Domestic Applicants: Deadline for Receipt of Complete Graduate Applications for Spring 2021. Please review all requirements via sgaes.desu.edu/admissions. The applicant is encouraged to contact his or her program(s) of interest via sgaes.desu.edu/about/graduate-program-directory as some have earlier deadlines.

December 11 (Friday) Winter/Spring Billing Due Date

January 4 (Thursday) Residence Halls Open for New Students Only

January 14-15 (Thursday-Friday) New Student Registration

January 16 (Saturday at noon) Residence Halls Open for Returning Students

January 18 (Monday) Martin Luther King Jr. Observance (University Closed)

January 19 (Tuesday) Classes Begin at 8 a.m.

January 19-22 (Tuesday-Friday) Late Registration Begins

January 19-22 (Tuesday-Friday) I Love DSU Week

January 21 (Thursday) General Faculty Meeting at 11 a.m.

January 22 (Friday) Plans of Study Due for Fall 2020 Enrollees

January 22 (Friday) Deadline for Submission of Committee Forms to Graduate Studies and Research for Approval

January 23-25 (Wednesday-Friday) Preregistration for Fall 2021

January 27 (Wednesday) Late Registration Ends

January 27 (Wednesday) Last Day to Add Classes

January 27 (Wednesday) Last Day to Change Course(s) to Audit Status

January 28-February 1 (Wednesday-Monday) Documentation for Non-Attendance Period

January 28 (Thursday) Effective Date for $10 Per Drop Processing Fee

January 28 (Thursday) Effective Date for Receiving a Grade of “W” for Dropped Courses

January 29 (Friday) Last Day to Drop Accelerated Session I Course

January 29 (Friday) Applications & Audits for May Commencement due to Graduate Studies for review and approval for submission to the Registrar’s Office by February 5

February 1-February 19 (Monday-Friday) Academic Early Alert

February 18 (Thursday) Founders Day

February 21 (Monday) Residency Status Audit

February 22-26 (Monday-Friday) Midterm Evaluations Administered

February 25 (Thursday) Last Day to Remove Incompletes

March 1 (Monday) Mid-Term Grades Due in Chairs’ Offices

March 1-April 2 (Monday-Friday) Academic Advisement Period

March 12 (Friday) Accelerated Session I Last Day of Classes

March 15 (Monday) Accelerated Session II Classes Begin

March 16 (Tuesday) Deadline for Submission of Candidacy Forms along with supporting documentation to Graduate Studies and Research for approval. Students must be in academic good standing in order to meet this milestone. Students must complete the requisite number of course requirements (as noted in the Plan of Study) with minimum GPA of 3.0 (some programs may have more stringent requirements) along with identified activities designated to meet the culminating activity. Graduate students must meet candidacy requirements (as determined in your Program of Study) no later than one semester prior to graduation. Doctoral students must meet candidacy requirements no later than two semesters prior to graduation (or sooner if noted in your program of study).

March 19 (Friday) Financial Aid 60% Completion Date

March 19 (Friday) Last Day to Schedule a Thesis or Dissertation Defense with Graduate Studies and Research for May 2021 Graduation

March 21-25 (Monday-Thursday) Spring Course Evaluations

March 29-30 (Monday and Tuesday) Priority Pre-Registration

March 31-April 2 (Saturday-Thursday) Preregistration for Fall 2021

April 1 (Thursday) Last Day to Complete the Thesis or Dissertation Defense for May 2021 Graduation

April 2-5 (Friday-Monday) Easter Recess (University Closed)

April 8 (Tuesday-Friday) Exit Interview for May Graduates Due

April 8-11 (Friday) Last Day to Drop Accelerated II Course

April 15 (Thursday) Last Day to Submit Final Copies of the Thesis or the Dissertation via ProQuest with Graduate Studies and Research for Review/Approval

April 15 (Thursday) Last Day to Submit the Thesis/Dissertation Approval Page to Graduate Studies and Research

April 16 (Friday) Annual Delaware State University Research Day

April 21 (Wednesday) Last Day to Drop/Withdraw from the University

April 23-25 (Friday-Sunday) Homecoming Weekend

April 29 (Thursday) Last Day of Classes

April 29 (Thursday) Last Day of Work Study

April 30 (Friday) Reading Day

April 30 (Friday) Residency Status Final Audit

May 3-May 7 (Monday-Friday) Final Examinations

May 4 (Tuesday) Assessment Summit

May 6 (Thursday) General Faculty Meeting

May 7 (Friday) Accelerated Session II Last Day of Classes

May 7 (Friday) Residence Halls Close at 5 p.m.

May 7 (Friday) Summer Payment Due Date

May 8 (Saturday) Commencement

May 10 (Monday) Non-thesis Outcomes Reports Due to Graduate Studies for May 2021 Graduation

May 10 (Monday) Final Grades Due

May 28 (Friday) SAP Appeals Due for Fall 2021

July 5 (Monday) Fall Payment Due Date