

The Academic Year (Graduate and Undergraduate Studies)

This schedule contains the dates prescribed by the University Senate for academic activities. Dates relating to fee payment, cancellation of course selections, late charges, and other fees or charges will be published in the Important Dates and Deadlines section of the Registration Website (carleton.ca/registration).

The academic year is divided into three terms:

Summer term: May - August

Fall term: September - December

Winter term: January - April

Courses are offered in the following patterns:

Early summer: May - June

Late summer: July - August

Full summer: May - August

Fall term: September - December

Winter term: January - April

Fall/winter: September - April

Courses are offered during the day and in the evening.

Date	Activity
SUMMER TERM 2020	
March 1, 2020	Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate degree program for the summer term.
April 27, 2020	Deadline for course outlines to be made available to students registered in early- and full-summer courses.
May 1, 2020	Last day for receipt of applications for undergraduate degree program transfers for the summer term.
May 4, 2020	Early summer and full summer classes begin.
May 8, 2020	Graduate students who have not electronically submitted their final thesis copy to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will not be eligible to graduate in spring 2020 and must register for the summer 2020 term.
May 11, 2020	Last day for registration and course changes (including auditing) for early summer courses.

May 15, 2020	Last day for registration and course changes (including auditing) for full summer courses.
May 15-27, 2020	Fall/winter and winter term deferred final examinations will be held.
May 18, 2020	Statutory holiday. University closed.
May 22, 2020	Last day to withdraw from early summer and full summer courses with a full fee adjustment. Withdrawals after this date will result in a permanent notation of WDN on the official transcript.
May 29, 2020	Last day to request Formal Examination Accommodation Forms for June examinations to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities. Note that it may not be possible to fulfil accommodation requests received after the specified deadlines.
June 9, 2020	Last day for summative tests or examinations - or for formative and/ or practical tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade - for early summer courses before the official examination period (see Examination Regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).
June 16, 2020	Last day of early summer classes. (NOTE: full summer classes resume July 2.) Last day for take-home examinations to be assigned, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
	Last day for academic withdrawal from early summer courses.

	Last day for handing in term assignments, subject to any earlier course deadline.	August 7, 2020	Last day for summative tests or examinations - or for formative and/or practical tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade - before the official examination period (see Examination Regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).
June 17-18, 2020	No classes or examinations take place.		
June 19-25, 2020	Final examinations in early summer courses and mid-term examinations in full summer courses may be held. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.		
June 25, 2020	All take-home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.	August 14, 2020	Last day of late summer and full summer classes.
	Deadline for course outlines to be made available to students registered in late-summer courses.		Classes follow a Monday schedule.
July 1, 2020	Statutory holiday. University closed.		Last day for take-home examinations to be assigned, with the exception of those conforming to the Examination Regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
July 2, 2020	Late summer classes begin. Full summer classes resume.		Last day for academic withdrawal from late summer and full summer courses.
July 9, 2020	Last day for registration and course changes (including auditing) for late summer courses.		Last day for handing in term assignments, subject to any earlier course deadline.
July 17, 2020	Last day to withdraw from late summer courses with a full fee adjustment.	August 15-16, 2020	No classes or examinations take place.
July 17-19, 2020	Early summer term deferred final examinations to be held.	August 17-23, 2020	Final examinations in late summer and full summer courses may be held. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
July 24, 2020	Last day to request Formal Examination Accommodation Forms for August examinations to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities. Note that it may not be possible to fulfil accommodation requests received after the specified deadlines.	August 23, 2020	All take-home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
August 1, 2020	Last day for graduate students to submit their supervisor-approved thesis in examinable form to the department.	September 18-20, 2020	Full and late summer term deferred final examinations to be held.
August 3, 2020	Statutory holiday. University closed.		

Date	Activity		
FALL TERM 2020		November 13, 2020	Last day to request Formal Examination Accommodation Forms for December examinations to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities. Note that it may not be possible to fulfil accommodation requests received after the specified deadlines.
September 1, 2020	Last day for receipt of applications from potential fall (November) graduates.		
September 2, 2020	Deadline for course outlines to be made available to students registered in fall and fall/winter term courses.		
September 7, 2020	Statutory holiday. University closed.		
September 8, 2020	Academic orientation (undergraduate and graduate students).	November 15, 2020	Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate degree program for the winter term.
	Orientation for new Teaching Assistants.	November 27, 2020	Last day for summative tests or examinations - or for formative and/or practical tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade - before the official examinations period (see examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).
September 9, 2020	Fall term begins. Fall and fall/winter classes begin.		
September 18-20, 2020	Full and late summer term deferred final examinations to be held.		
September 23, 2020	Last day of registration for fall term and fall/winter courses.		
	Last day to change courses or sections (including auditing) for fall term and fall/winter courses.		
	Graduate students who have not electronically submitted their final thesis copy to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will not be eligible to graduate in fall 2020 and must register for the fall 2020 term.	December 1, 2020	Last day for receipt of applications from potential winter (February) graduates. Last day for graduate students to submit their supervisor-approved thesis in examinable form to the department.
September 30, 2020	Last day to withdraw from fall term and fall/winter courses with a full fee adjustment. Withdrawals after this date will result in a permanent notation of WDN on the official transcript.	December 11, 2020	Fall term ends. Last day of fall term classes. Classes follow a Monday schedule. Last day for take-home examinations to be assigned, with the exception of those conforming to the examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
October 9, 2020	December examination schedule (fall term final and fall/winter mid-terms) available online.		
October 12, 2020	Statutory holiday. University closed.		
October 15, 2020	Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate degree program for the winter term from applicants whose documents originate from outside Canada or the United States.		Last day for academic withdrawal from fall term courses. Last day for handing in term work and the last day that can be specified by a course instructor as a due date for term work for fall term courses.
October 26-30, 2020	Fall break, no classes.		

	Last day for receipt of applications for undergraduate degree program transfers for winter term.
December 12-23, 2020	Final examinations in fall term courses and mid-term examinations in fall/winter courses may be held.
	Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
December 23, 2020	All take-home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
December 25, 2020 through January 1, 2021 (inclusive)	University closed.

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WINTER TERM 2021	
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December 30, 2020	Deadline for course outlines to be made available to students registered in winter term courses.
January 4, 2021	University reopens.
January 6, 2021	Winter term classes begin.
January 20, 2021	Last day for registration for winter term courses.
	Last day to change courses or sections (including auditing) for winter term courses.
	Graduate students who have not electronically submitted their final thesis copy to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will not be eligible to graduate in winter 2021 and must register for the winter 2021 term.
January 22-24, 29-31, 2021	Fall term deferred final examinations will be held.
January 31, 2021	Last day for withdrawal from winter term and winter portion of fall/winter courses with full fee adjustment. Withdrawals after this date will result in a permanent notation of WDN on the official transcript.

February 1, 2021	Last day for receipt of applications for admission to the Bachelor of Social Work degree program for the fall/winter session.
February 12, 2021	April examination schedule available online.
February 15, 2021	Statutory holiday. University closed.
February 16-19	Winter Break, no classes.
March 1, 2021	Last day for graduate students to submit their supervisor-approved thesis in examinable form to the department.
	Last day for receipt of applications to Bachelor of Architectural Studies, Bachelor of Humanities, Bachelor of Industrial Design, Bachelor of Information Technology (Interactive Multimedia and Design), Bachelor of Journalism, Bachelor of Journalism and Humanities, and the Bachelor of Music degree programs for the fall/winter session.
	Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate program for the summer term.
	Last day for receipt of applications for admission from candidates who wish to be guaranteed consideration for financial assistance (including Carleton fellowships, scholarships and teaching assistantships) administered by Carleton University. Candidates whose applications are received after the March 1 deadline may be considered for the award of a fellowship, scholarship or teaching assistantship (Graduate students only).

March 12, 2021	Last day to request Formal Examination Accommodation Forms for April examinations to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities. Note that it may not be possible to fulfil accommodation requests received after the specified deadlines.	Last day for handing in term work and the last day that can be specified by a course instructor as a due date for term work for fall/winter and winter term courses.
March 26, 2021	Last day for summative tests or examinations - or for formative and/ or practical tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade - before the official examination period (see Examination regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).	
April 1, 2021	Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate program for the fall/winter session from candidates whose documents originate outside Canada or the United States, except for applications due February 1 or March 1.	
	Last day for receipt of applications from potential spring (June) graduates.	
April 2, 2021	Statutory holiday. University closed.	
April 9, 2021	Winter term ends.	
	Last day of fall/winter and winter term classes.	
	Last day for take-home examinations to be assigned, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.	
	Last day for academic withdrawal from fall/winter and winter term courses.	
April 10, 2021		No classes or examinations take place.
April 11-23, 2021		Final examinations in winter term and fall/winter courses may be held. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
April 23, 2021		All take-home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
May 1, 2021		Last day for receipt of applications for undergraduate internal degree transfers to allow for registration for the summer session.
May 14, 2021		Graduate students who have not electronically submitted their final thesis copy to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will not be eligible to graduate in spring 2021 and must register for the summer 2021 term.
May 14-26		Fall/winter and winter term deferred final examinations will be held.
June 1, 2021		Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate program for the fall/winter session except for application due February 1 or March 1 or April 1.
June 15, 2021		Last day for receipt of applications for undergraduate degree program transfers for the fall term.

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SUMMER TERM 2021	
March 1, 2021	Last day for receipt of applications for admission to an undergraduate degree program for the summer term.
April 29, 2021	Deadline for course outlines to be made available to students registered in early- and full-summer courses.
May 1, 2021	Last day for receipt of applications for undergraduate degree program transfers for the summer term.
May 6, 2021	Early summer and full summer classes begin.
May 13, 2021	Last day for registration and course changes (including auditing) for early summer courses.
May 14, 2021	Graduate students who have not electronically submitted their final thesis copy to the Faculty of Graduate and Postdoctoral Affairs will not be eligible to graduate in spring 2021 and must register for the summer 2021 term.
May 20, 2021	Last day for registration and course changes (including auditing) for full summer courses.
May 21, 2021	Last day to withdraw from early summer and full summer courses with a full fee adjustment. Withdrawals after this date will result in a permanent notation of WDN on the official transcript.
May 14-26, 2021	Fall/winter and winter term deferred final examinations will be held.
May 24, 2021	Statutory holiday. University closed.
May 28, 2021	Last day to request Formal Examination Accommodation Forms for June examinations to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities. Note that it may not be possible to fulfil accommodation requests received after the specified deadlines.

June 11, 2021	Last day for summative tests or examinations - or for formative and/or practical tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade - for early summer courses before the official examination period (see Examination Regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).
June 18, 2021	Last day of early summer classes. (NOTE: full summer classes resume July 2.)
	Last day for take-home examinations to be assigned, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
	Classes will follow a Monday schedule.
	Last day for academic withdrawal from early summer courses.
	Last day for handing in term assignments, subject to any earlier course deadline.
June 19-20, 2021	No classes or examinations take place.
June 21-27, 2021	Final examinations in early summer courses and mid-term examinations in full summer courses may be held. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
June 25, 2021	Deadline for course outlines to be made available to students registered in late-summer courses.
June 27, 2021	All take-home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.

July 1, 2021	Statutory holiday. University closed.		Last day for academic withdrawal from late summer and full summer courses.
July 2, 2021	Late summer classes begin. Full summer classes resume.		Last day for handing in term assignments, subject to any earlier course deadline.
July 9, 2021	Last day for registration and course changes (including auditing) for late summer courses.	August 17-18, 2021	No classes or examinations take place.
July 16-18, 2021	Early summer term deferred final examinations to be held.	August 19-25, 2021	Final examinations in late summer and full summer courses may be held. Examinations are normally held all seven days of the week.
July 23, 2021	Last day to withdraw from late summer courses with a full fee adjustment.	August 25, 2021	All take-home examinations are due on this day, with the exception of those conforming to the Examinations regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.
	Last day for graduate students to submit their supervisor-approved thesis in examinable form to the department.	September 17-19, 2021	Full and late summer term deferred final examinations to be held.
July 30, 2021	Last day to request Formal Examination Accommodation Forms for August examinations to the Paul Menton Centre for Students with Disabilities. Note that it may not be possible to fulfil accommodation requests received after the specified deadlines.		
August 2, 2021	Statutory holiday. University closed.		
August 9, 2021	Last day for summative tests or examinations - or for formative and/ or practical tests or examinations totaling more than 15% of the final grade - before the official examination period (see Examination Regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar).		
August 16, 2021	Last day of late summer and full summer classes. Last day for take-home examinations to be assigned, with the exception of those conforming to the Examination Regulations in the Academic Regulations of the University section of the Undergraduate Calendar/ General Regulations of the Graduate Calendar.		