

**Western Carolina University
Academic Calendar
FALL 2025 (final)**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Aug 18 All classes begin	Aug 19	Aug 20	Aug 21	Aug 22
Aug 25	Aug 26	Aug 27	Aug 28	Aug 29
Sept 1 Labor Day No Classes	Sept 2	Sept 3	Sept 4	Sept 5
Sept 8	Sept 9	Sept 10	Sept 11	Sept 12
Sept 15	Sept 16	Sept 17	Sept 18	Sept 19
Sept 22	Sept 23	Sept 24	Sept 25	Sept 26
Sept 29	Sept 30	Oct 1	Oct 2	Oct 3
Oct 6	Oct 7	Oct 8	Oct 9	Oct 10
Oct 13 Fall Break *No Classes	Oct 14 Fall Break *No Classes	Oct 15 Fall Break *No Classes	Oct 16 Fall Break *No Classes	Oct 17 Fall Break *No Classes
Oct 20	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23	Oct 24 Withdrawal Deadline
Oct 27	Oct 28 Advising Day No Classes	Oct 29	Oct 30	Oct 31
Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5	Nov 6	Nov 7
Nov 10	Nov 11	Nov 12	Nov 13	Nov 14
Nov 17	Nov 18	Nov 19	Nov 20	Nov 21
Nov 24	Nov 25	Nov 26 *No Classes	Nov 27 Thanksgiving No Classes	Nov 28 *No Classes
Dec 1	Dec 2	Dec 3	Dec 4	Dec 5 Last day of classes
Dec 8 Final Exams	Dec 9 Final Exams	Dec 10 Final Exams	Dec 11 Final Exams	Dec 12 Final Exams

Residence Halls Open – Aug 8
 First Day of Classes – Monday, Aug 18
 Labor Day – No Classes Monday, Sept 1
 Census Date – Friday, Aug 29
 Fifth Week Grades Due - Monday, Sept 22
 Fall Break – No Classes Mon.-Fri., Oct 13-17
 Withdrawal Deadline – Friday, Oct 24
 Homecoming – TBD
 Advising Day – Tuesday, Oct 28
 Thanksgiving – No Classes Wed.-Fri., Nov 26-28
 Last Day of Classes – Friday, Dec 5
 Final Exams – Sat.-Fri., December 6-12
 Commencement – Saturday, Dec 13
 All Grades Due by 10:00 AM on Monday, Dec 15

Eight Week Session Dates

First 8 Wk Begins – Monday, August 18
 Withdrawal Deadline – Friday, Sept 12
 Ends – Friday, October 10

*Eight-Week Session students do not observe breaks.

Last 8 Wk Begins – Monday, October 13
 Withdrawal Deadline – Friday, Nov 7
 Ends – Friday, December 5

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SPRING 2026 (final)**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Jan 12 All classes begin	Jan 13	Jan 14	Jan 15	Jan 16
Jan 19 MLK Holiday No Classes	Jan 20	Jan 21	Jan 22	Jan 23
Jan 26	Jan 27	Jan 28	Jan 29	Jan 30
Feb 2	Feb 3	Feb 4	Feb 5	Feb 6
Feb 9	Feb 10	Feb 11	Feb 12	Feb 13
Feb 16	Feb 17	Feb 18	Feb 19	Feb 20
Feb 23	Feb 24	Feb 25	Feb 26	Feb 27
Mar 2	Mar 3	Mar 4	Mar 5	Mar 6
Mar 9 Spring Break *No Classes	Mar 10 Spring Break *No Classes	Mar 11 Spring Break *No Classes	Mar 12 Spring Break *No Classes	Mar 13 Spring Break *No Classes
Mar 16	Mar 17	Mar 18	Mar 19	Mar 20 Withdrawal Deadline
Mar 23	Mar 24 Advising Day No Classes	Mar 25	Mar 26	Mar 27
Mar 30	Mar 31	Apr 1 *No Classes	Apr 2 *No Classes	Apr 3 *No Classes
Apr 6	Apr 7	Apr 8	Apr 9	Apr 10
Apr 13	Apr 14	Apr 15	Apr 16	Apr 17
Apr 20	Apr 21	Apr 22	Apr 23	Apr 24
Apr 27	Apr 28	Apr 29	Apr 30	May 1 Last day of classes
May 4 Final Exams	May 5 Final Exams	May 6 Final Exams	May 7 Final Exams	May 8 Final Exams

Residence Halls Open – Jan 8
 Orientation – Jan 8 & 9
 First Day of Classes – Monday, Jan 12
 MLK Day – No classes Monday, Jan 19
 Census Date – Monday, January 26
 Fifth Week Grades Due – Monday, Feb 16
 Spring Break – No classes Mon.-Fri., Mar 9-13
 Withdrawal Deadline – Friday, Mar 20
 No classes – Wed.-Fri., April 1-3
 Last Day of Classes – Friday, May 1
 Final Exams – Sat.-Fri., May 2-8
 Commencement (graduate) – Friday, May 8
 Commencement (undergraduate) – Sat., May 9
 All Grades Due by 10:00 AM on Monday, May 11

Eight-Week Session Dates

First 8 Wk Begins – Monday, January 12
 Withdrawal Deadline – Fri., Feb 6
 Ends – Friday, March 6

*Eight-Week Session students do not observe breaks.

Last 8 Wk Begins – Monday, March 9
 Withdrawal Deadline – Mon, Apr 6
 Ends – Friday, May 1

Students are expected to register prior to the first day of class.

Western Carolina University Academic Calendar SUMMER 2026 (final)				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
May 11 Mini-mester Begins	May 12	May 13	May 14	May 15
May 18	May 19	May 20	May 21	May 22
May 25	May 26 Mini-mester Ends	May 27	May 28	May 29
June 1	June 2	June 3 1st 4.5-Week & 9- Week Terms Begin	June 4	June 5
June 8	June 9	June 10	June 11	June 12
June 15	June 16	June 17	June 18	June 19
June 22	June 23	June 24	June 25	June 26
June 29	June 30	July 1	July 2 1st 4.5-Week Term Ends	July 3 Independence Day Obs – No Classes
July 6 2nd 4.5-Week Term Begins	July 7	July 8	July 9	July 10
July 13	July 14	July 15	July 16	July 17
July 20	July 21	July 22	July 23	July 24
July 27	July 28	July 29	July 30	July 31
Aug 3	Aug 4	Aug 5 2nd 4.5-Week & 9- Week Terms End	Aug 6	Aug 7
Aug 10	Aug 11	Aug 12	Aug 13	Aug 14
Aug 17 Fall Semester Begins				

May 11 – May 26, 2026	Mini-mester (2.5 weeks)
June 3 – July 2, 2026	1 st 4.5-week term (22 days)
June 3 – Aug 5, 2026	9-week term (45 days)
July 3, 2026	Independence Day Holiday
July 6 – Aug 5, 2026	2 nd 4.5-week term (23 days)
Last day of each term	Final Exams

Grades are due to the registrar’s office 48 hours after last class day.