

University of Pennsylvania

Three-Year Academic Calendar, 1996-1997 through 1998-99

	1996 Fall Term	1997 Fall Term	1998 Fall Term
Move-in and registration for Transfer Students Thursday-Friday	August 29-30	August 28-29	September 3-4
Center for University of Pennsylvania Identification (CUPID) opens in Palestra Friday-Tuesday	August 30-September 3	August 29-September 2	September 4-September 8
Move-in for first-year students, New Student Orientation Saturday	August 31	August 30	September 5
Academic Day: Opening Exercises and Freshman Convocation; Undergraduate Deans' Meeting; Penn Reading Project Sunday	September 1	August 31	September 6
Labor Day; Community Building Day Monday	September 2	September 1	September 7
Advising begins, Placement Examinations Tuesday	September 3	September 2	September 8
First day of classes Wednesday	September 4	September 3	September 9
Community Service Day Saturday	September 7	September 6	September 12
Add period ends Friday	September 20	September 19	September 25
Drop period ends Friday	October 11	October 10	October 16
Fall term break Saturday-Tuesday	October 12-15	October 11-14	October 17-19 Sat.-Monday*
Family Weekend Friday-Sunday	November 15-17	October 24-26	November 13-15
Advance registration, Spring Term Monday-Sunday	November 4-17	November 3-16	November 2-15
Homecoming Saturday	November 2	November 8	October 31
Thanksgiving recess begins at close of classes Wednesday	November 27	November 26	November 25
Thanksgiving recess ends 8 a.m. Monday	December 2	December 1	November 30
Fall term classes end Monday	December 9	December 8	December 11 Friday
Reading days Tuesday-Thursday	December 10-12	December 9-11	December 12-14 Sat.-Monday
Final Examinations Friday-Friday	December 13-20	December 12-19	December 15-22 Tues.-Tuesday
Fall semester ends Friday	December 20	December 19	December 22 Tuesday
	1997 Spring Term	1998 Spring Term	1999 Spring Term
Registration for undergraduate Transfer Students Thursday-Friday	January 9-10	January 8-9	January 7-8
Spring semester classes begin Monday	January 13	January 12	January 11
Add period ends Friday	January 24	January 23	January 22
Drop period ends Friday	February 14	February 13	February 12
Spring recess begins at close of classes Friday	March 7	March 6	March 5
Classes resume at 8 a.m. Monday	March 17	March 16	March 15
Advance registration for fall and summer sessions Monday-Sunday	March 24-April 6	March 23-April 5	March 22-April 4
Spring term classes end Friday	April 25	April 24	April 23
Reading days Monday-Wednesday	April 28-30	April 27-29	April 26-28
Final Examinations Thursday-Friday	May 1-9	April 30-May 8	April 29-May 7
Alumni Day Saturday	May 17	May 16	May 15
Baccalaureate Sunday	May 18	May 17	May 16
Commencement Monday	May 19	May 18	May 17
	1997 Summer Session	1998 Summer Session	1999 Summer Session
12-week Evening Session classes begin** Tuesday	May 20	May 19	May 18
First Session classes begin Tuesday	May 20	May 19	May 18
First Session classes end Friday	June 27	June 26	June 25
Second Session classes begin Monday	June 30	June 29	June 28
Independence Day	July 4 Friday		
Second Session, 12-week Evening Session Classes end Friday	August 8	August 7	August 6

* One day cut from fall break.

** Options will be arranged for those who have scheduled commencement.