

CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY

Operational Academic Calendar 2025-2026

FALL SEMESTER

July 2025	
Thursday, July 31, 2025	Book Bundle Option for Fall 2025 Ends (Option began March 31, 2025)
August 2025	
Friday, August 1, 2025	First Cancellation of Fall Classes for Students Not Financially Enrolled
	Book Bundle Opt. Out End (Option began April 1, 2025)
	Applications of Intent to Graduate Fall 2025 and Spring 2026 <u>Open for Submission</u> (This is the First Step in the Graduation Application Process – Sought)
Friday, August 8, 2025	Academic Department Chairs Submit Course Schedule for Spring 2026
Monday – Friday, August 11 - 22, 2025	One-Stop-Shop for Advisement, Registration, Financial Aid, and Final Enrollment
Wednesday, August 13, 2025	Meal Plan Begins
Wednesday - Thursday, August 13 - 14, 2025	New Student Residential Move-In
Saturday - Sunday, August 16 - 17, 2025	Continuing Student Residential Move-In
Monday, August 18, 2025	Opening Institute – Faculty and Staff 9:00 a.m.
Tuesday, August 19, 2025	Fall Registration Ends
	Second Cancellation of Classes for Students Not Financially Enrolled
Wednesday, August 20, 2025	Classes Begin – First Day of Class
	Mandatory Daily Posting of Class Attendance in BANNER by Faculty Begins
Thursday, August 21, 2025	ADD/DROP Period Begins (Late Registration and Late Fees)
Tuesday, August 26, 2025	ADD/DROP Period Ends – Late Registration Ends (After this date, a student who withdraws from a course will receive a grade of "W.")
	Third Cancellation of Classes for Students Not Financially Enrolled at close of business
Wednesday, August 27, 2025	Course Withdrawal Period Begins (Ends October 24, 2025)
Friday, August 29, 2025	Academic Department Chairs submit Final Revisions for Spring 2026
September 2025	
Monday, September 1, 2025	Labor Day Holiday (<i>University Closed</i>)
Tuesday, September 2, 2025	Faculty Complete Entry of Student Attendance in BANNER Web (5:00 p.m.)
Tuesday, September 9, 2025	Fall Convocation
Friday, September 19, 2025	Deadline for Submission of Intent to Graduate Applications for Fall 2025 (First Step in the Graduation Application Process - Sought)
	Atlanta University Center Career Fair
Monday, September 29, 2025	Fall Enrollment Census Date
Monday - Friday, September 29 – October 3, 2025	Mid-Term Examinations Week
October 2025	

Monday - Friday, September 29 – October 3, 2025	Mid-Term Examinations Week
Monday– Tuesday, October 6 - 7, 2025	Fall Break (AUC)
Wednesday, October 8, 2025	Mid-Term Grades Due via BANNER Web
Thursday, October 9, 2025	Academic Advising Begins for Spring 2026 Begins
Thursday – Friday, October 9 - 10, 2025	Board of Trustees Meeting
Friday, October 24, 2025	Course Withdrawal Period Ends
Saturday, October 25, 2025	CAU Homecoming
Monday, October 27, 2025	Registration for Spring 2026 Begins
	Book Bundle Opt-Out for Spring 2026

November 2025

Friday, November 7, 2025	Academic Department Chairs submit <i>initial draft</i> of course schedules to Deans for Summer 2026 Term
Thursday – Friday, November 27 - 28, 2025	Thanksgiving Break (<i>University Closed</i>)

December 2025

Monday, December 1, 2025	Classes Resume
Wednesday, December 3, 2025	Last Day of Classes
Thursday, December 4, 2025	Academic Department Chairs submit <i>initial draft</i> of course schedules to Deans for Fall 2026 Term
Thursday - Friday, December 4 - 5, 2025	Reading Period
Monday – Friday, December 8 – 12, 2025	Final Examinations Week
Friday, December 12, 2025	Fall Semester Ends
	Last day to withdraw from the University for Fall Term
Saturday, December 13, 2025	Residence Halls Closes
	Fall Meal Plan Ends
Tuesday, December 16, 2025	Deadline for Removal of Incomplete “I” Grades
	Final Grades Due via Banner Web
Thursday, December 24, 2025	Book Bundle Opt-Out for Spring 2026 Ends (Option began October 27, 2025)
Thursday - Friday, December 24 -25, 2025,	Christmas Eve and Day - (<i>University Closed</i>)
Thursday, December 31, 2025	New Year’s Eve (<i>University Closed</i>)

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SPRING SEMESTER 2026

January 2026

Thursday – Friday, January 1 – 2, 2026	New Year Holidays (<i>University Closed</i>)
Monday, January 5, 2026	Faculty and Staff Return to Campus
Wednesday – Tuesday, January 7 – 13, 2026	One-Stop-Shop for Advisement, Registration, Financial Aid, and Final Enrollment
Friday, January 9, 2026	Residential Hall Move-In
Saturday, January 10, 2026	Spring Meal Plans begin at 12:00 noon.
Monday, January 12, 2026	New Student Orientation (NSO)
Tuesday, January 13, 2026	Last Day of Registration for Spring 2026
	First Cancellation of Classes for Students Not Financially Enrolled for Spring at the Close of Business
Wednesday, January 14, 2026	Classes Begin – First Day of Class
	Mandatory Daily Posting of Class Attendance in Banner by Faculty Begins
Thursday, January 15, 2026	ADD/DROP Period Begins (Late Registration)
Monday, January 19, 2026	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Observance (<i>University Closed</i>)
Tuesday, January 20, 2026	ADD/DROP Period Ends Close of Business
	Final Cancellation of Classes for Students Not Financially Enrolled for Spring at the Close of Business
Wednesday, January 21, 2026	Course Withdrawal Period Begins (Ends March 27, 2026)
Monday, January 26, 2026	Faculty Complete Entry of Student Attendance in BANNER Web (5:00 p.m.)

February 2026

Monday, February 2, 2026	Applications of Intent to Graduate Spring 2026 <u>Open for Submission</u> (<i>This is the First Step in the Graduation Application Process – Sought</i>)
Monday, February 9, 2026	Academic Department Chairs Submit Course Schedule Final Revisions for Summer and Fall 2026 to School Deans
Tuesday, February 10, 2025	Spring Graduation Explosion 2026
Friday, February 20, 2026 (Tentative)	Board of Trustees Meeting
Monday, February 23, 2026	Spring Enrollment Census Date

March 2026

Monday – Friday, March 2 - 6, 2026	Mid-Semester Examinations Week
Monday – Friday, March 9 – 13, 2026	Spring Break
Monday – Friday, March 16 – 20, 2026	Founders' Week
Monday, March 16, 2026	Mid-Term Grades Due via BANNER Web
	Academic Advising Begins
Thursday, March 19, 2026	Founders' Day Convocation
Friday, March 27, 2026	Course Withdrawal Period Ends
Monday, March 30, 2026	Book Bundle Out-Out for Fall 2026 Opens
	Registration Opens for Summer and Fall 2026
	Deadline for Submitting Graduation Applications for Summer 2026
Tuesday – Wednesday, March 31 – April 2, 2026	CAU's Research Symposium

April 2026

Tuesday – Wednesday, March 31 – April 2, 2026	CAU's Research Symposium
Friday, April 3, 2026	Good Friday (<i>University Closed</i>)

Wednesday, April 29, 2026	Last Day of Class
Thursday – Friday, April 30 – May 1, 2026	Senior final Examinations
	Reading Period

May 2026

Thursday – Friday, April 30 – May 1, 2026	Senior Final Examinations
	Reading Period
Monday – Friday, May 4 – 8, 2026	Final Examinations
Tuesday, May 5, 2026	Final Grades Due for Graduating Students
Friday, May 8, 2026	Spring Semester Ends
	Last Day to Withdraw from the University for The Spring 2026 Term at the Close of Business
Saturday, May 9, 2026	Residence Hall Closes
	Spring Meal Plan Ends
Tuesday, May 12, 2026	Final Grades Due via Banner Web
	Deadline for Removal of Incomplete "I" Grades
Thursday, May 14, 2026	Board of Trustees Meeting (TBD)
	Initial Deadline for Undergraduate Graduation Application for Fall 2026
Sunday, May 17, 2026	Baccalaureate Services
Monday, May 18, 2026	Commencement Services
Monday, May 25, 2026	Memorial Day (<i>University Closed</i>)

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SUMMER SEMESTER 2026

May 2026	
Friday, May 29 2026	First deadline for Students to become Financially Enrolled (Tuitions and Fees to be paid by 5:00 p.m.)
	First cancellation of Classes for Students Not Financially Enrolled for Summer
June 2026	
Monday, June 1, 2026	Classes Begin – First Day of Summer Classes
	DROP/ADD Period for Students Registered for Summer Session I and Summer Session II Begins
	Residence Hall Open
	Meal Plan Begins: Summer Session I and Summer Session II :
Wednesday, June 3, 2026	DROP/ADD Period for Students Registered for Summer Session I and Summer Session II Ends (after this date a student who withdraws from a course will receive a grade of "W")
	Last Day of Late Registration for Summer Session I and Summer Session II
	Final Cancellation of Classes for Students Not Financially Enrolled for Summer Session I Summer Session II
Wednesday – Friday, June 3 – 5, 2026	Timeframe to withdraw at 66% tuition refund for Summer Session I and Summer Session II
Thursday, June 4, 2026	Official Course Withdrawal Period Begins for Summer Session I and Summer Session II .
Wednesday – Friday, June 10 – 12, 2026	Mid-Semester Examinations for Summer Session I : Five-Week Session
Friday, June 19, 2026	Juneteenth (<i>University Closed</i>)
Monday, June 22, 2026	Official Course Withdrawal Period Ends for Summer Session I : Five-Week Session
Thursday – Friday, June 25 – 26, 2026	Mid-Term Examinations for Summer Session II : Eight-Week Session
July 2026	
Wednesday, July 1, 2026	Official Course Withdrawal Period Ends for Summer Session II : Eight-Week Session
Friday, July 3, 2026	Independence Day Observance(<i>University Closed</i>)
Monday – Tuesday, July 6 – 7, 2026	Final Examinations for Summer Session I : Five-Week Session
Tuesday, July 7, 2026	Summer Session Ends for Summer Session I : Five-Week Session
	Meal Plan End for Summer Session I
Thursday, July 9, 2026	Final Grades Due via BANNER Web for Summer Session I : Five-Week Session
Wednesday – Friday, July 22– 24, 2026	Final Examinations for Summer Session II : Eight-Week Session
Friday, July 24, 2026	Summer Session Ends for Summer Session II : Eight-Week Session
	Meal Plan End for Summer Session I
Tuesday, July 28, 2026	Final Grades Due via BANNER Web for Summer Session II : Eight-Week Session

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