

School of Communication and Information Academic Year Schedule 2024-25

FALL 2024 TERM

Classes begin Tuesday, September 3 (day after Labor Day)

Changes for the week of Thanksgiving:

- Tuesday, November 26 will run on a THURSDAY schedule
- Wednesday, November 27 will run on a FRIDAY schedule
- No classes Thursday, November 28 through Sunday, December 1. This means that Saturday classes are not held that week.

End of semester for undergraduate classes:

Last day of classes: Wednesday, December 11

Reading days: Thursday and Friday, December 12 and 13

Final exams: Monday, December 16 through Monday, December 23

End of semester for graduate classes:

Last day of classes: Wednesday, December 18

WINTER 2025 TERM

Monday, December 23 through Friday, January 17

SPRING 2025 SEMESTER

Classes begin Tuesday, January 21 (day after M.L.King Day)

No classes during Spring Break, Saturday, March 15 through Sunday, March 23

PLEASE NOTE if you are teaching a Saturday or Sunday class, this means you miss two meetings for Spring Break

End of semester for undergraduate classes:

Last day of classes: Monday, May 5

Reading days: Tuesday and Wednesday, May 6 and 7

Final exams: Thursday, May 8 through Wednesday, May 14

End of semester for graduate classes:

Last day of classes: Monday, May 12

SUMMER 2025 TERM

First session classes begin on Tuesday, May 27

Last session classes end on Wednesday, August 13

For those teaching fully asynchronous classes:

The standard for awarding credits is defined based on face-to-face classes: campus-based three-credit classes should be, per week, 3 contact hours plus 2 to 3 hours of out-of-class work over a 15 week semester. Asynchronous classes should have equivalent workloads although obviously there are no “contact hours” per se. In winter and summer, the terms are compressed but the assumption is that the workload comes to a similar total as the same class taught during fall or spring.

In creating your plan for a fully asynchronous class, you are welcome to arrange the deadlines as you wish between the first day of classes and the last day of classes for the term. The course description and learning outcomes should be the same as for campus-based classes, and we ask you to make a syllabus available on the first day of classes for the term that includes information about how the schedule for your class works.

Please do not have assignments due or exams given on days when there are no classes, such as Thanksgiving weekend or Spring Break.