



# THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA

Academic Calendar: Fall (First) Semester 2028  
Semester Dates: August 28, 2028 – December 16, 2028

Tuesday, April 4	Registration for Fall Semester 2028 begins (use Cardinal Students)
Friday, July 28	Last day for Summer 2028 graduation candidates to submit online diploma application (use Cardinal Students)  Final date to deposit theses and dissertations for August graduation
Thursday, August 24	New student orientation begins
Saturday, August 26	Degree conferral for students completing degree requirements in Summer 2028 semester
Monday, August 28	Opening of classes
Thursday, August 31	Mass of the Holy Spirit. University Mass, 12:10 p.m.; No classes held between 11:50 a.m. and 2:10 p.m.
Monday, September 4	Labor Day (Holiday: No classes).
Friday, September 8	Last day to register or add regular session courses, including comprehensive exams and internships (use Cardinal Students)*  Last day to drop a regular session course without record (use Cardinal Students)*
Wednesday, September 13	Class of 2032 Convocation, 9:30 a.m.
Monday, October 9	Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples' Day (Holiday: No classes)
Tuesday, October 10 – Friday, October 13	Faculty submit interim grades for undergraduates in Cardinal Students
Friday, October 13	Midterm  Last day to resolve grades of Incomplete from the Spring 2028 and Summer 2028 semesters  Last day to change to audit (must have dean's permission)
Monday, October 16	Spring 2029 class schedule released in Cardinal Students  Enrollment appointments assigned for Spring 2029  Pre-registration advising begins
Tuesday, October 17	Administrative Friday: Classes follow a Friday schedule this day; Tuesday classes do not meet
Wednesday, November 1	All Saints Day
Thursday, November 2	All Souls Liturgy: Memorial Mass for Deceased of the University Community  Registration for Spring Semester 2029 begins (use Cardinal Students)
Tuesday, November 7	Election Day
Friday, November 10	Last day to withdraw from regular session classes with a "W" grade (use Cardinal Students)*  Last day to request an academic leave for the semester
Friday, November 17	Last day to request pass/fail option (undergraduates only; must have dean's permission)

Wednesday, November 22	Thanksgiving Recess begins
Monday, November 27	Classes resume
Thursday, December 7	Last day for Fall 2028 graduation candidates to submit diploma application (use Cardinal Students)  Final date to deposit theses and dissertations for January 2029 graduation
Friday, December 8	Patronal Feast of the Immaculate Conception (Holiday: No classes)
Sunday, December 10	Reading Day
Monday, December 11	Last day of classes
Tuesday, December 12 – Saturday, December 16	Final Examination Period
Tuesday, December 19	All final grades due by 3:00 p.m.
Saturday, January 6, 2029	Degree conferral for students completing degree requirements in Fall 2028 semester

\*Courses offered in dynamically dated sessions (those which do not extend the full length of the semester) may have earlier or later deadlines, as listed via the Enrollment Deadlines hyperlink on the class listing in Cardinal Students