

Faculty Senate:

General:

- The nominal length of the semester is 15 weeks of classes plus one week of final examinations.
- There shall not be less than 44 days nor more than 46 days in the MWF sequence.
- There shall not be less than 29 days nor more than 31 days in the TTh sequence.
- Last teaching day in the semester – Wednesday.
- Finals – start on Friday and extend through the following Thursday, including the Saturday following the first Friday.

Fall Semester:

- Classes shall start on Monday.
- Holidays will be Labor Day, Veterans' Day, and Thanksgiving Recess (four days starting on Thanksgiving Day).
- Last day of finals shall be the last Thursday in December falling on or before 12/20.
- New Student Orientation Program (last session) – Thursday and Friday prior to classes starting Monday.
- Freshman Convocation – Friday prior to classes starting on Monday.
- Honors Convocation – Friday afternoon (3:30-5:00 p.m. – no classes 3-5 p.m.) immediately preceding Family Weekend.

Spring Semester:

- Classes will start on a Wednesday.
- Holidays shall be Martin Luther King Day (third Monday in January) and Spring Recess (9 days, Saturday to Sunday inclusive, the eighth full week of classes).
- Last Friday of finals shall be the day before commencement.
- Commencement shall be on the first Saturday in May falling on or after May 11.
- New Student Orientation Program (last session) – Monday and Tuesday prior to classes starting on Wednesday.

Summer/Winter Sessions:

- Summer Session needs 13 weeks from the last day of spring semester (three weeks for pre-session (15 days) and two five-week summer terms (23 days each).
- Winter Session needs 14 teaching days between Fall and Spring semesters.

Designated Ten University of Arizona Holidays:

- Independence Day – July 4th *
- Labor Day – first Monday in September
- Veterans' Day – November 11th *
- Thanksgiving – fourth Thursday and Friday in November
- Christmas Holidays – December 25th plus one additional day
- New Years Day – January 1st *

- Martin Luther King Day – third Monday in January
 - Memorial Day – last Monday in May
- * According to State Statute the holiday is observed on the weekday it falls on except as follows:
- if the holiday falls on a Saturday it will be observed on Friday
 - if the holiday falls on a Sunday it will be observed on Monday

Note: Class day totals do not include holidays, spring recess, reading day or final examinations.

(with Faculty Senate Approval on 02/06/2017)