



Cornell University

2011-12 Academic Calendar

Fall 2011

| Event | Day(s) of the Week | Date |
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| Course Add/Drop Begins ¹ | Monday | August 8 |
| Check for Holds Preventing Registration ¹ | Tuesday | August 15 |
| Cornell Bound Check-in (new undergraduates) | Friday | August 19 |
| Residence Halls Open | Friday | August 19 |
| Orientation Begins | | August 19 |
| Welcome and Check-in (new graduate students) | Monday | August 22 |
| Instruction Begins | Tuesday | August 24 |
| Labor Day Holiday – no classes | Monday | September 5 |
| Fall Break Begins, 1:10 pm | Saturday | October 8 |
| Instruction Resumes, 7:30 am | Wednesday | October 12 |
| Thanksgiving Recess Begins, 1:10 pm | Wednesday | November 23 |
| Instruction Resumes, 7:30 am | Monday | November 28 |
| Last Day of Classes | Friday | December 3 |
| Study Period | Saturday – Tuesday | December 4 – 7 |
| First Days of Scheduled Exams | Wednesday – Saturday | December 7 – 9 |
| Last Days of Scheduled Exams | Sunday | December 12 – 16 |
| January Graduation Recognition | Saturday | December 17 |

Winter 2011 – 2012

| Event | Day(s) of the Week | Date |
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| Winter Session Period Begins | Friday | December 26 |
| Winter 3 – Week Session Classes Begin | Monday | January 3, 2012 |
| Winter Session Period Ends | Saturday | January 21 |

Spring 2012

| Event | Day(s) of the Week | Date |
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| Course Add/Drop Begins | Tuesday | January 16 |
| Check for Holds Preventing Registration ¹ | Tuesday | January 17 |
| January Orientation begins | Friday | January 18 |
| Instruction Begins | Wednesday | January 23 |
| Spring Break Begins, 1:10 pm | Saturday | March 17 |
| Instruction Resumes, 7:30 am | Monday | March 26 |
| Last Day of Classes | Wednesday | May 5 |
| Study Period | Thursday – Sunday | May 6 – 9 |
| First Days of Scheduled Exams | Monday - Thursday | May 9 – 11 |
| Last Days of Scheduled Exams | Friday | May 14 – 18 |
| Senior Week | Wednesday – Friday | May 20 – 26 |
| Commencement Ceremony | Sunday | May 27 |

There are many summer programs that follow different calendars from the one shown here. For more information on these programs, visit Summer Sessions.

Summer 2012

| Event | Day(s) of the Week | Date |
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| 3-Week Summer Session Registration/Classes Begin | Wednesday | May 30 |
| 8-Week Summer Session Registration/Classes Begin | Monday | June 11 |
| 3-Week Summer Session Final Exams | Friday | June 22 |
| 6-Week Summer Session Registration/Classes Begin | Monday | June 25 |
| 6- and 8-Week Summer Sessions Final Exams | Monday - Tuesday | August 6 – 7 |

¹ Verify Add/Drop appointment window and registration holds on Student Center

² Exams begin Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

For complete semester start-up information visit: Cornell University Campus Life and the Office of the University Registrar.

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Note: University is considering changes to academic calendar beginning in 2012-2013.