

# ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2005–2006

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## FALL 2005

- Monday, August 1 ..... **Deadline:** Tuition due for entering freshmen
- Wednesday, August 10 ..... **Deadline:** Tuition due for returning undergraduate students
- Sunday, August 14  
(through Friday, August 19) ..... Orientation week for new students
- Monday, August 15 ..... **Deadline:** Tuition due for graduate students
- Friday, August 19 ..... Credit balance checks available to students
- Monday, August 22 ..... **First day of classes**
- Friday, September 2 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to add courses without a fee  
**Deadline:** Last day to add a course without obtaining instructors permission  
**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **100% refund of tuition and fees**  
**Deadline:** Last Day to drop to part-time with a **100% refund of tuition**
- Monday, September 5 ..... **Labor Day (holiday—no classes)**
- Friday, September 9 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **70% refund of tuition**
- Friday, September 16 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to complete late registration or add courses  
**Deadline:** Last day to drop courses without a fee  
**Deadline:** Last day to designate a course as “Audit” or vice versa  
**Deadline:** Last day anticipated aid for fall shows as a credit on student accounts  
**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **60% refund of tuition**
- Friday, September 23 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to convert a “Pass/Fail” to an earned letter grade for courses taken in spring 2005  
**Deadline:** Last day for instructors to submit final grades to clear “Incompletes” for courses taken in spring 2005  
**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **50% refund of tuition**
- Friday, September 30 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **40% refund of tuition**
- Friday, October 7 ..... **Deadline:** Mid-semester grades for first-year undergraduate students due  
**Deadline:** College course plans due to Dean of Undergraduates  
**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **30% refund of tuition**

Monday, October 10 (through Tuesday, October 11) .....	<b>Midterm Recess</b>
Wednesday, October 12 .....	All classes normally held on Monday meet; all Wednesday classes canceled (to equalize holidays by days of the week during the semester)
Friday, October 14 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to withdraw with a <b>20% refund of tuition</b>
Friday, October 21 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to withdraw with a <b>10% refund of tuition</b>
Friday, October 28 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to drop courses for all graduate students and “returning” undergraduate students with a \$10.00 fee <b>Deadline:</b> Last day to designate a course as “Pass/Fail”
Monday, October 31 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to file an application for a May 2006 conferral of degree with the Office of the Registrar <b>Deadline:</b> Last day to file an application for January 2006 conferral of degree with the Office of the Registrar
Tuesday, November 1 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to file the following in the Office of Graduate Studies for January 2006 degree conferral: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Thesis master’s candidacy petitions</li> <li>• Certification of non-thesis master’s</li> <li>• Form for automatic master’s</li> <li>• PhD candidacy petitions</li> </ul>
Monday, November 14 (through Friday, November 18) .....	Spring 2006 registration for currently enrolled undergraduate, graduate and fifth-year students Registration for SELF-scheduled final exams for undergraduate courses
Tuesday, November 15 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to complete financial aid application for fall 2005
Friday, November 18 at 5:00 P.M. ....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to register for spring 2006 without \$60 “failure to register” fee <b>Deadline:</b> Last day to register for SELF-scheduled final exams for undergraduate courses
Thursday, November 24 (through Friday, November 25) .....	<b>Thanksgiving Recess (holiday—no classes)</b>
Thursday, December 1 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to complete loan applications for fall 2005
Friday, December 2 .....	<b>Last day of classes</b> <b>Deadline:</b> (for fall 2005 matriculants only) Last day to drop courses—students must go to the Office of the Registrar <b>by 5:00 P.M.</b> <b>Deadline:</b> For a January 2006 conferral of degree, students must submit theses to the Office of Graduate Studies <b>by 12:00 noon</b> <b>Deadline:</b> All Faculty Evaluations are due to the Office of the Registrar <b>by 5:00 P.M.</b>

- Saturday, December 3  
(through Wednesday, December 14) ..... SELF-scheduled exams for undergraduate courses
- Wednesday, December 7  
(through Wednesday, December 14) ..... Scheduled FINAL exams for undergraduate courses
- Wednesday, December 14 at 5:00 P.M. .... **Deadline:** All take home final examinations are due
- Wednesday, December 21 at 12:00 NOON ..... **Deadline:** All final grades are due to the Office of the Registrar

## SPRING 2006

- Thursday, January 5 ..... **Deadline:** Tuition due for all students
- Thursday, January 10 ..... Credit balance checks available to students
- Wednesday, January 11 ..... **First day of classes**
- Monday, January 16 ..... **Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (holiday—no classes)**
- Wednesday, January 18 ..... All classes normally held on Monday meet; all Wednesday classes canceled (to equalize holidays by days of the week during the semester)
- Friday, January 20 at 5:00 P.M. .... **Deadline:** Last day to resolve grades of “Other” from fall 2005
- Friday, January 27 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to add courses without a fee  
**Deadline:** Last day to add a course without obtaining instructor’s permission  
**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **100% refund of tuition and fees**  
**Deadline:** Last day to drop to part-time status with **100% refund of tuition**
- Wednesday, February 1 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to file the following in the Office of Graduate Studies for a May 2006 conferral of degree:
  - Thesis master’s candidacy petitions
  - Certification for non-thesis master’s
  - Form for automatic master’s
  - PhD candidacy petitions
- Friday, February 3 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **70% refund of tuition**
- Friday, February 10 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to complete late registration or add course(s)  
**Deadline:** Last day to drop courses without a fee  
**Deadline:** Last day to designate a course as “Audit” or vice versa  
**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **60% refund of tuition**  
**Deadline:** Last day anticipated aid for spring shows as credit on student accounts
- Wednesday, February 15 ..... Financial aid application materials available to returning students to apply for need-based aid for 2006–2007
- Friday, February 17 ..... **Deadline:** Last day for students to convert a “Pass/Fail” to an earned letter grade for courses taken in fall 2005

**Deadline:** Last day for instructors to submit final grades to clear “Incompletes” for courses taken in fall 2005

**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **50% refund of tuition**

Friday, February 24..... **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **40% refund of tuition**

Friday, March 3 ..... **Deadline:** Mid-semester grades for first-year undergraduate students are due

**Deadline:** College course plans are due to the Dean of Undergraduates

**Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **30% refund of tuition**

Friday, March 10 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **20% refund of tuition**

Monday, March 13

(through Friday, March 17) ..... **Spring Break (no classes)**

Friday, March 17 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **10% refund of tuition**

Friday, March 24 ..... **Deadline:** Sophomores must file a Declaration of Major form with the Office of the Registrar

Friday, March 31 ..... **Deadline:** Last day to drop course(s) for all graduate students and “returning” undergraduate students with a \$10.00 fee

**Deadline:** Last day to designate a course as “Pass/Fail”

**Deadline:** Last day to complete financial aid applications for spring 2006

Summer School financial aid application available

Thursday, April 7

(through Friday, April 8) ..... **Spring Recess (no classes)**

Friday, April 14..... **Deadline:** Last day to complete loan applications for spring 2006

**Priority Deadline:** For returning and graduate students to submit financial aid applications for 2006–2007

Monday, April 17

(through Friday, April 21) ..... Register for self-scheduled final exams for undergraduate courses

Fall 2006 registration begins for currently enrolled undergraduate, graduate and fifth-year students

Friday, April 21 at 5:00 P.M..... **Deadline:** Last day to register for Fall 2006 without a \$60 “failure to register” fee

**Deadline:** Last day to register for SELF-scheduled final exams for undergraduate courses

Thursday, April 27 ..... **Last day of classes** except for lab courses and seminars that meet once a week

**Deadline:** (for spring 2006 undergraduate matriculants only) Last day to drop courses

**Deadline:** For a May 2006 conferral of degree, students must submit theses to the Office of Graduate Studies **by 12:00 noon**

**Deadline:** All Faculty Evaluations are due to the Office of the Registrar **by 5:00 p.m.**

Friday, April 28.....	Last day of class for lab courses and seminars that meet only on Friday.
Saturday, April 29 (through Thursday, May 4 at 12:00 NOON) ....	<b>All degree candidates:</b> All SELF-scheduled, scheduled final, and take-home exams must be completed
Saturday, April 29 (through Wednesday, May 10) .....	<b>All non-graduating students:</b> SELF-scheduled exams for undergraduate courses
Monday, May 1 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For financial aid application for early summer session
Wednesday, May 3 (through Wednesday, May 10) .....	<b>All non-graduating students:</b> Scheduled FINAL exams for undergraduate courses
Saturday, May 6 at 9:00 A.M. ....	<b>Deadline:</b> Grades for all degree candidates are due in the Office of the Registrar
Saturday, May 13 .....	<b>Ninety-Third Commencement</b>
Monday, May 15 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For financial aid application for general summer session
Wednesday, May 17 at 9:00 A.M. ....	<b>Deadline:</b> All grades for non-graduating students are due in the Office of the Registrar
Friday, June 9 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> Last day to resolve grades of "Other" from spring 2006

## SUMMER 2006

### Early Session (May 16–June 2)

Friday, March 31 .....	Summer term financial aid applications available
Wednesday, April 19 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For early application discount (by 2:30 P.M.)
Monday, May 1 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> To submit financial aid applications
Friday, May 5 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For application to Early Session courses (by 2:30 P.M.)
Tuesday, May 9 .....	Admission status emailed Online registration for Rice students begins
Monday, May 15 .....	<b>Registration:</b> 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. for visiting students <b>Deadline:</b> For final tuition payment
Tuesday, May 16 .....	<b>First day of classes—Early Session</b>
Thursday, May 18 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For adding courses (by 3:00 P.M.) <b>Deadline:</b> For late registration (by 3:00 P.M.)

Monday, May 22 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For visiting and Class III students to submit official transcripts (must be received by this date) <b>Deadline:</b> For dropping courses without academic penalty (by 3:00 P.M.) <b>Deadline:</b> For designating “Pass/Fail” option (by 3:00 P.M.) <b>Deadline:</b> For submitting refund requests (must be received by this date). Please see section on Withdrawal Penalty and Tuition Refund.
Monday, May 29 .....	<b>University holiday</b>
Friday, June 2 .....	<b>Last day of classes—Early Session</b>
Tuesday, June 6 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For completion of all Early Session course work, including final examinations. Exam schedule determined by instructor.
Friday, June 9 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For submitting grades to the School of Continuing Studies Summer School Office (by 3:00 P.M.)

## SUMMER 2006

### General Session (June 5–July 28)

Friday, March 31 .....	Summer term financial aid applications available
Wednesday, April 19 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For early application discount (by 2:30 P.M.)
Tuesday, May 9 .....	Online registration for Rice students begins
Monday, May 15 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For financial aid application for General Summer Session
Friday, May 19 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For application to General Session courses (by 2:30 P.M.)
Thursday, May 25 .....	Admission status emailed
Monday, May 29 .....	<b>University holiday</b>
Friday, June 2 .....	<b>Registration, 9:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.</b> for visiting students <b>Deadline:</b> For final tuition payment
Monday, June 5 .....	<b>First day of classes—General Session</b>
One week after first class .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For dropping courses without academic penalty (no refunds after June 19th) (by 3:00 P.M.) <b>Deadline:</b> For designating “Pass/Fail” option (by 3:00 P.M.)
Monday, June 12 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For adding courses (by 3:00 P.M.) <b>Deadline:</b> For late registration (by 3:00 P.M.)
Monday, June 19 .....	<b>Deadline:</b> For visiting and Class III students to submit official transcripts (must be received by this date) <b>Deadline:</b> For submitting refund requests (must be received by this day.) Please see section on Withdrawal Penalty and Tuition Refund.
Monday, July 3 & Tuesday July 4 .....	<b>University holidays</b>

- Friday, July 28..... **Last day of classes—General Session**
- Tuesday, August 1 ..... **Deadline:** For completion of all General Session course work, including final examinations
- Friday, August 4 ..... **Deadline:** For submitting grades to School of Continuing Studies Summer School Office (by 3:00 P.M.)
- Friday, August 11 ..... Final grades for Early and General Summer terms mailed to visiting students from the Office of the Registrar