

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2009–2010

FALL 2009

Monday, August 3.....	Deadline: Tuition due for entering freshmen
Monday, August 10.....	Deadline: Tuition due for returning undergraduate students
Sunday, August 16 (through Friday, August 21).....	Orientation Week for new students
Monday, August 17.....	Deadline: Tuition due for graduate students
Monday, August 24.....	First day of classes Credit balance checks available to students
Friday, August 28	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades to resolve “Incomplete” (INC) grades for courses taken in spring and summer 2009
Friday, September 4	Deadline: Last day to complete late registration Deadline: Last day to add courses (please go to ESTHER to add or drop courses) Deadline: List day to adjust variable credit for courses online via ESTHER Deadline: Last day to designate a credit course as “Audit” or vice versa Deadline: Last day to convert a “Pass/Fail” to an earned letter grade for courses taken in spring 2009 Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 100% refund of tuition and fees Deadline: Last day to drop to part time with a refund for tuition
Monday, September 7.....	Labor Day (holiday—no scheduled classes)
Friday, September 11	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 70% refund of tuition
Friday, September 18	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 25	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 50% refund of tuition
Friday, October 2.....	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 40% refund of tuition
Friday, October 9.....	Deadline: Last day to drop courses (please go to ESTHER to drop courses) Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit mid-semester grades for first-year undergraduate students online via ESTHER Deadline: College course plans due to Dean of Undergraduates office for spring 2010 Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 30% refund of tuition

Monday, October 12 (through Tuesday, October 13)	Midterm Recess (no scheduled classes)
Friday, October 16	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 20% refund of tuition
Friday, October 23	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 10% refund of tuition
Friday, October 30	Deadline: Last day to file an application for January 2010 degree conferral with the Office of the Registrar (undergraduate and graduate students) Deadline: Last day to file an application for a May 2010 degree conferral with the Office of the Registrar (undergraduate students only) Deadline: Last day to file the following in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for January 2010 degree conferral: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thesis master's candidacy petitions • Certification of nonthesis master's • Form for automatic master's • PhD candidacy petitions Deadline: Last day to designate a course as "Pass/Fail"
Monday, November 9 (through Friday, November 13)	Spring 2010 registration begins for currently enrolled undergraduate, graduate, and 5th year students
Friday, November 13	Deadline: Last day to complete financial aid application for fall 2009 Deadline: Last day to register for spring 2010 by 5:00 p.m. without late registration fee
Wednesday, November 25	Deadline: Last day to complete loan applications for fall 2009
Thursday, November 26 (through Friday, November 27)	Thanksgiving Recess (holiday—no scheduled classes)
Friday, December 4	Last day of classes Deadline: (for fall 2009 matriculants only) Last day to drop courses—students must go to the Office of the Registrar by 5:00 p.m. Deadline: For a January 2010 conferral of degree, students must submit theses to the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies by 12:00 noon.
Saturday, December 5 (through Tuesday, December 8)	Study Days—No Exams
Wednesday, December 9 (through Wednesday, December 16)	Final examinations for undergraduate courses
Friday, December 25	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades online via ESTHER

SPRING 2010

Tuesday, January 5.....	Deadline: Tuition due for all students
Monday, January 11.....	First day of classes Credit balance checks available to students
Friday, January 15	Deadline: Last day to resolve grades of “Other” (OT) from fall 2009
Monday, January 18.....	Martin Luther King Jr. Day (holiday–no scheduled classes)
Friday, January 22.....	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 100% refund of tuition and fees Deadline: Last day to drop to part time status with a 100% refund of tuition Deadline: Last day to complete late registration Deadline: Last day to add courses online via ESTHER Deadline: Last day to adjust variable credit for courses online via ESTHER Deadline: Last day to designate a course credit as “Audit” or vice versa Deadline: Last day to convert a “Pass/Fail” to an earned letter grade for courses taken in fall 2009 Deadline: Last day to drop to part-time status and receive a refund for tuition
Friday, January 29.....	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 70% refund of tuition
Friday, February 5.....	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 60% refund of tuition Deadline: Last day anticipated aid for spring shows as credit on student accounts
Friday, February 12.....	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades to resolve “Incompletes” (INC) grades for courses taken in fall 2009 Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 50% refund of tuition
Friday, February 19.....	Deadline: Last day to withdraw with a 40% refund of tuition
Friday, February 26.....	Deadline: Last day to drop courses online via ESTHER (full term courses) Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit mid-semester grades for first-year undergraduate students online via ESTHER Deadline: College course plans due to Dean of Undergraduates office for fall 2010 Deadline: Last day to file an application for a May degree conferral with the Office of the Registrar (graduate students only)

Deadline: Last day to file the following in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for May degree conferral:

- Thesis master's candidacy petitions
- Certification of non-thesis master's
- Form for automatic master's
- PhD candidacy petitions

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

Saturday, February 27

(through Sunday, March 7) **Spring Break (no scheduled classes)**

Friday, March 12 **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **20% refund of tuition**

Friday, March 19 **Deadline:** Last day to withdraw with a **10% refund of tuition**

Deadline: Last day to designate a course as "Pass/Fail"

Deadline: Last day for sophomores to file a declaration of major with the Office of the Registrar

Thursday, April 1

(through Friday, April 2) **Midterm Recess (no scheduled classes)**

Friday, April 2 **Deadline:** Last day to complete financial aid applications for spring 2010

Monday, April 12 **Deadline:** Last day to complete loan applications for spring 2010

Deadline: Last day to register for fall 2010 without a late registration fee

Monday, April 12

(through Friday, April 16) Fall 2010 registration begins for currently enrolled undergraduate, graduate, and 5th year students

Thursday, April 15 **Deadline:** Last day for returning students to submit financial aid applications for 2010–11

Friday, April 23 **Last day of classes**

Deadline: For spring 2010 undergraduate matriculants only: Last day to drop courses, students must go the Office of the Registrar by **5:00 p.m.**

Deadline: For a May 2010 conferral of degree, students must submit theses to the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies by **12:00 noon**

Saturday, April 24

(through Tuesday, April 27) Study Days—No Exams

Wednesday, April 28

(through Wednesday, May 5) **Final examinations for all undergraduate students**

Friday, May 7 **Deadline:** Last day for instructors to submit final grades for all degree candidates online via ESTHER by **5:00 p.m.**

Monday, May 10 **Deadline:** Last day for May 2010 degree candidates to convert a "pass/fail" to an earned letter grade for spring 2010 courses, by **12:00 noon**

Saturday, May 15	Ninety-Seventh Commencement
Wednesday, May 19	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades for all nongraduating students online via ESTHER by 5:00 p.m.
Friday, May 21	Deadline: Last day for graduate students to submit financial aid applications for 2009–10
Friday, June 4	Deadline: Last day to resolve grades of “Other” (OT) from spring 2010

SUMMER 2010

Early Session (May 18–June 4)

Monday, March 15	Summer term online registration begins for Rice undergraduate students (esther.rice.edu) Summer term financial aid information available
Friday, April 23	Deadline for Visiting and Class III Students: For application to Early Summer Session by 12:00 NOON
Tuesday, May 11	Early Summer Session admission status e-mailed to visiting and Class III students
Monday, May 17	Registration Period for Visiting and Class III Students: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Registrations received after that time will be assessed a late registration fee Deadline: For Rice undergraduate students to register online for Early Summer Session without a late registration fee Deadline: For adding courses by 12:00 NOON for Rice undergraduates who have already registered Deadline: For final tuition payment for all students
Tuesday, May 18	First day of classes—Early Summer Session
Monday, May 24	Deadline for Visiting and Class III Students: To submit official transcripts for Early Summer Session Deadline: For dropping courses and withdrawing from Early Summer Session without academic penalty by 12:00 NOON Deadline: For designating “Pass/Fail” option for Early Summer Session Deadline: For refunds and submitting refund requests for Early Summer Session
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day (holiday—no scheduled classes)
Friday, June 4	Last day of classes—Early Summer Session
Tuesday, June 8	Deadline: For completion of all Early Summer Session course work, including final examinations
Friday, June 11	Deadline: For instructors to submit grades online
Monday, June 14	Grades for Early Summer Session available to students online (esther.rice.edu)

SUMMER 2010

General Session (June 7–July 30)

Monday, March 15	Summer term online registration begins for Rice undergraduate students (esther.rice.edu) Summer term financial aid information available
Friday, May 7	Deadline for Visiting and Class III Students: For application to the General Summer Session by 12:00 NOON
Thursday, May 20.....	General Summer Session admission status e-mailed to visiting and Class III students
Monday, May 31	Memorial Day (holiday–no scheduled classes)
Friday, June 4	Deadline: For final tuition payment for all students Registration period for visiting and Class III students: 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Registrations from visiting and Class III students received after that time will be assessed a late registration fee
Monday, June 7	First day of classes–General Summer Session
Friday, June 11	Deadline: For adding courses for the General Summer Session by 12:00 NOON Deadline: For Rice undergraduate students to register online for General Summer Session without a late registration fee
Monday, June 14	Deadline: For dropping courses and withdrawing from General Summer Session without academic penalty (no refunds after June 25) by 12:00 NOON* Deadline: For designating “Pass/Fail” option for General Summer Session
Monday, June 21	Deadline for Visiting and Class III Students: To submit official transcripts for General Summer Session Deadline: For refunds and submitting refund requests for General Summer Session
Monday, July 5.....	Independence Day observed (holiday–no scheduled classes)
Friday, July 30	Last day of classes–General Summer Session
Tuesday, August 3.....	Deadline: For completion of all General Summer Session course work, including final examinations
Friday, August 6	Deadline: For instructors to submit General Summer Session grades online
Monday, August 9.....	Grades for Summer term available to students online (esther.rice.edu)

* For courses starting after the first week of the General Session, the drop deadline is one week from the first day your class meets.

2010 FULL SUMMER SESSION
(Graduate Students Only)

Monday, March 15	Full Summer Session registration for Rice graduate students begins online (esther.rice.edu) Financial aid information available for Summer Session
Tuesday, May 11	First day of classes–Full Summer Session
Friday, May 14.....	Deadline: For dropping course without academic penalty for the Full Summer Session
Monday, May 24	Memorial Day (holiday–no scheduled classes)
Monday, July 5.....	Independence Day observed (holiday–no scheduled classes)
Friday, August 20	Last day of classes–Full Summer Session
Friday, August 27	Deadline: For instructors to submit grades for Full Summer Session online
Tuesday, August 31.....	Grades for Full Summer Session available to students online (esther.rice.edu). If a grade is not posted, please contact the instructor.