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When	What
Fri, Aug 1, 2025	 Deadline for payment in full or enrollment in payment plan
Mon, Aug 18, 2025	 New freshmen and transfer student orientation
Wed, Aug 20, 2025	 Classes begin
Tue, Aug 26, 2025	 Fall Convocation
Tue, Aug 26, 2025	 Last day to drop a course without a grade (5th class day) 11:59 p.m
Wed, Aug 27, 2025	 Last day to register or add a course (6th class day) 5:00 p.m
Mon, Sep 1, 2025	 Labor Day Holiday - no classes scheduled
Thu, Sep 18, 2025	 Deadline for undergraduate students receiving incomplete grades in a previous semester to submit the coursework (30th calendar day)
Wed, Oct 1, 2025	 First progress grade reporting deadline (30th class day)
Thu, Oct 9 - Fri, Oct 10, 2025	 Fall Break - no classes scheduled (subject to change)
Mon, Oct 13, 2025	 Last day to drop a course with a W grade (36th class day) 5:00 p.m
Mon, Oct 20 - Fri, Oct 31, 2025	 Faculty advising for pre-registration (Some departments begin advising earlier)
Fri, Oct 24, 2025	 Second progress grade reporting deadline (end of week 10)
Mon, Nov 3 - Fri, Nov 14, 2025	 Pre-registration period for spring semester
Mon, Nov 17, 2025	 Last day to withdraw from semester (ten days of classes remaining)
Tue, Nov 18, 2025	 Progress grade reporting closes
Wed, Nov 26 - Fri, Nov 28, 2025	 Thanksgiving holiday - no classes scheduled
Mon, Dec 1, 2025	 Classes resume
Tue, Dec 2, 2025	 Last regularly scheduled class day
Wed, Dec 3, 2025	 Deadline for graduate students receiving incomplete grades in a previous semester to submit the coursework
Wed, Dec 3, 2025	 Reading Day (No mandatory class assignments, requirements, meetings)
Thu, Dec 4 - Thu, Dec 11, 2025	 Final examinations (December 5, 8, 9, 10, 11)
Sat, Dec 6, 2025	Make-up day (if needed)

	
Thu, Dec 11, 2025	 Doctoral Graduation and Hooding Ceremony (Ph.D. & Ed.D.)
Thu, Dec 11, 2025	 MSU-Meridian Commencement
Fri, Dec 12, 2025	 Starkville Campus Commencement - Morning Ceremony
Fri, Dec 12, 2025	 Last day for December 2025 degree applicants to pay account balance 3:00 p.m.
Fri, Dec 12, 2025	 Starkville Campus Commencement - Afternoon Ceremony
Mon, Dec 15, 2025	 Undergraduate academic forgiveness unavailable due to end of term process
Mon, Dec 15, 2025	 Final Grades Due 10:00 a.m.
Tue, Dec 16, 2025	 Last day for undergraduate degree candidates to apply for academic forgiveness
Tue, Dec 23, 2025 - Thu, Jan 1, 2026	 Winter Holidays
Thu, Jan 1, 2026	 Deadline for payment in full or enrollment payment plan
Mon, Jan 12, 2026	 New freshmen and transfer student orientation
Wed, Jan 14, 2026	 Classes begin
Mon, Jan 19, 2026	 Holiday
Wed, Jan 21, 2026	 Last day to drop a course without a grade (5th class day)
Thu, Jan 22, 2026	 Last day to register or add a course (6th class day)
Wed, Jan 28 - Fri, Mar 27, 2026	 Apply online via myState for May 2026 graduation - \$50 fee applies. Graduate Students must be currently enrolled to apply for graduation.
Thu, Feb 12, 2026	 Deadline for undergraduate students receiving incomplete grades in a previous semester to submit the coursework (30 calendar days)
Wed, Feb 25, 2026	 First progress grades reporting deadline (30th class day)
Wed, Mar 4, 2026	 Mid-point of semester
Thu, Mar 5, 2026	 Last day to drop a class with a "W" grade (36th class day)
Mon, Mar 9 - Fri, Mar 13, 2026	 Spring Break - No Classes Scheduled (Dates Subject to Change)
Mon, Mar 23 - Thu, Apr 2, 2026	 Faculty advising for pre-registration (Some departments begin advising earlier)
Fri, Mar 27, 2026	 Last day to apply for May 2026 degree via myState with \$50 fee

Fri, Mar 27, 2026	 Second progress grade reporting deadline (end of week 10)
Sat, Mar 28 - Thu, Apr 30, 2026	 Late May 2026 Degree Application via myState - \$50 fee plus \$100 late application fee
Fri, Apr 3, 2026	 Holiday (Classes will not meet; University offices closed)
Mon, Apr 6, 2026	 Holiday (Classes will not meet; University offices open)
Tue, Apr 7 - Fri, Apr 17, 2026	 Pre-registration period for summer and fall semesters
Mon, Apr 20, 2026	 Last day to withdraw from University (ten days of classes remaining)
Tue, Apr 21, 2026	 Progress grade reporting closes
Thu, Apr 30, 2026	 Deadline (last day) to apply for May 2026 graduation via myState with \$50 fee plus \$100 late application fee
Mon, May 4, 2026	 Last regularly scheduled class day
Tue, May 5, 2026	 Additional Day for Monday classes that meet once per week. Deadline for graduate students receiving incomplete grades in a previous semester to submit the coursework.
Wed, May 6, 2026	 Reading Day (No mandatory class assignments, requirements, meetings)
Thu, May 7 - Wed, May 13, 2026	 Final examinations (May 7, 8, 11, 12, 13)
Tue, May 12, 2026, 9 - 10 pm	 Doctoral Graduation and Hooding Ceremony (Ph.D. & Ed.D.) - 4:00 p.m. (Bettersworth Auditorium, Lee Hall)
Wed, May 13, 2026, 4 - 5 pm	 MSU-Meridian Commencement - 11:00 a.m. (MSU Riley Center in Meridian, MS)
Thu, May 14, 2026	 Starkville Campus Commencement - 3:30 p.m.
Thu, May 14, 2026	 Starkville Campus Commencement - 9:30 a.m. (Humphrey Coliseum)
Fri, May 15, 2026	 Starkville Campus Commencement - 3:30 p.m. (Humphrey Coliseum)
Fri, May 15, 2026	 Last day for May 2026 degree applicants to pay account balance
Fri, May 15, 2026	 Starkville Campus Commencement - 9:30 a.m. (Humphrey Coliseum)
Mon, May 18, 2026	 Final Grades Due 10:00 a.m.
Mon, May 18, 2026	 Undergraduate academic forgiveness unavailable due to end of term process
Tue, May 19, 2026	 Last day for undergraduate degree candidates to apply for academic forgiveness

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