

Fall 2021 Academic Calendar – Proposed

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#	week	day	date	event
-8	0	Su	Sunday, August 15, 2021	Orientation Week for New Students
-2	1	Sa	Saturday, August 21, 2021	
-7	0	M	Monday, August 16, 2021	Fall Registration: Course Request Period opens for incoming undergraduate
-4	1	Th	Thursday, August 19, 2021	Deadline: Course Request Period closes for incoming undergraduate students at 4:00 p.m. Fall Registration: ADD/DROP begins for incoming graduate students at 5:00 p.m.
-3	1	F	Friday, August 20, 2021	Fall Registration: ADD/DROP begins for incoming undergraduate students at 7:30
0	1	M	Monday, August 23, 2021	FIRST DAY OF CLASSES - START OF THE FALL SEMESTER
0	1	M	Monday, August 23, 2021	Fall Registration Continues: Registration continues for undergraduate, graduate, and visiting students
4	1	F	Friday, August 27, 2021	
4	1	F	Friday, August 27, 2021	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades to resolve "Incomplete" (INC) grades for courses taken in previous Spring semester Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades to resolve "Other" (OT) and "Incomplete" (INC) grades for courses taken in previous Summer semester
11	2	F	Friday, September 3, 2021	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 complete late registration (online via ESTHER, or by Special Registration Request Form) Deadline: Last day to convert a "Pass/Fail" to an earned letter grade for courses taken in previous Spring or Summer semester
14	3	M	Monday, September 6, 2021	LABOR DAY (HOLIDAY - NO SCHEDULED CLASSES)
38	6	Th	Thursday, September 30, 2021	Deadline: Last day to submit <i>New Course Request Forms</i> to the Academic Deans for SCRC review (for new courses in the upcoming Spring semester)
46	7	F	Friday, October 8, 2021	Deadline: Last day to drop courses online via ESTHER (full-term courses) Deadline: Last day to designate a credit course for which one is currently registered as "Audit" (via Special Registration Form - Instructor Permission Required) Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit Mid-Semester Grades for first-year undergraduate students online via ESTHER
49	8	M	Monday, October 11, 2021	MIDTERM RECESS (NO SCHEDULED CLASSES)
50	8	Tu	Tuesday, October 12, 2021	
67	10	F	Friday, October 29, 2021	Deadline: Last day to designate a full-term course status to "Pass/Fail" option Graduation Deadline: Last day to file an application for December degree conferral with the Office of the Registrar (Undergraduate and Graduate Students) Graduation Deadline: Last day for Fall (December) degree candidates to declare any additional major, minor or university certificates, if applicable (Undergraduate Students)

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				<p>Graduation Deadline: Last day to file an application for a May degree conferral with the Office of the Registrar (Undergraduate Students only)</p> <p>Graduation Deadline: Last day to file the following in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for December degree conferral:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Thesis masters candidacy petitions — Certification of non-thesis masters — Form for candidacy masters — Ph.D. candidacy petitions <p>Spring Registration: Spring Course Schedule Published to courses.rice.edu</p> <p>Spring Registration: <i>Course Request Period</i> opens for undergraduate students</p>
81	12	F	Friday, November 12, 2021	Spring Registration: <i>Course Request Period</i> closes for undergraduate students at 5:00 p.m.
84	13	M	Monday, November 15, 2021	Spring Registration: Spring Registration begins for currently enrolled graduate, and undergraduate professional (BArch) students at 5:00 p.m.
86	13	W	Wednesday, November 17, 2021	Spring Registration: <i>ADD/DROP</i> begins for undergraduate students at 7:00 a.m.
88	13	F	Friday, November 19, 2021	Deadline: Last day to register for the upcoming Spring semester by 5:00 p.m. without a Late Registration Fee
89	13	Sa	Saturday, November 20, 2021	Late Registration Begins: Continuing students that have not registered for any Spring classes are charged a Late Registration Fee to add classes
93	14	W	Wednesday, November 24, 2021	THANKSGIVING RECESS (HOLIDAY - NO SCHEDULED CLASSES)
95	14	F	Friday, November 26, 2021	
102	15	F	Friday, December 3, 2021	<p>LAST DAY OF CLASSES</p> <p>Deadline: Last day to drop courses (for Fall undergraduate matriculants only) - students must go to the Office of the Registrar by 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Graduation Deadline: For a December degree conferral, students must submit thesis to the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies by 12:00 noon</p>
103	15	Sa	Saturday, December 4, 2021	Study Days - NO EXAMS
106	16	Tu	Tuesday, December 7, 2021	
105	16	M	Monday, December 6, 2021	GRADUATION - Convocation Ceremony for Summer and Fall degree recipients
107	16	W	Wednesday, December 8, 2021	Final Examinations for all undergraduate courses
113	17	Tu	Tuesday, December 14, 2021	
113	17	Tu	Tuesday, December 14, 2021	END OF THE FALL SEMESTER
121	18	W	Wednesday, December 22, 2021	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit Final Grades online via ESTHER

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#	week	day	date	event
0	1	M	Monday, January 10, 2022	FIRST DAY OF CLASSES - START OF THE SPRING SEMESTER
0	1	M	Monday, January 10, 2022	Spring Registration Continues: Registration continues for undergraduate, graduate, and visiting students
4	1	F	Friday, January 14, 2022	
4	1	F	Friday, January 14, 2022	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades to resolve “Other” (OT) grades for courses taken in previous Fall semester
7	2	M	Monday, January 17, 2022	MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY (HOLIDAY - NO SCHEDULED CLASSES)
11	2	F	Friday, January 21, 2022	<p>Deadline: Last day to add courses online via ESTHER</p> <p>Deadline: Last day to adjust variable credit for courses online via ESTHER</p> <p>Deadline: Last day to complete late registration (online via ESTHER, or by Special Registration Request Form)</p> <p>Deadline: Last day to convert a “Pass/Fail” to an earned letter grade for courses taken in previous Spring or Summer semester</p> <p>Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades to resolve “Incomplete” (INC) grades for courses taken in previous Fall semester</p> <p>Graduation Deadline: Last day to file an application for a May degree conferral with the Office of the Registrar (Graduate Students only)</p>
31	5	Th	Thursday, February 10, 2022	SPRING RECESS (NO SCHEDULED CLASSES)
32	5	F	Friday, February 11, 2022	
46	7	F	Friday, February 25, 2022	<p>Deadline: Last day to drop courses online via ESTHER (full-term courses)</p> <p>Deadline: Last day to designate a credit course for which one is currently registered as "Audit" (via Special Registration Form - Instructor Permission Required)</p> <p>Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit Mid-Semester Grades for first-year undergraduate students online via ESTHER</p>
46	7	F	Friday, February 25, 2022	<p>Graduation Deadline: Last day to file the following in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for May degree conferral:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Thesis masters candidacy petitions — Certification of non-thesis masters — Form for candidacy masters — Ph.D. candidacy petitions
45	7	M	Monday, February 28, 2022	Deadline: Last day to submit <i>New Course Request Forms</i> to the Academic Deans for SCRC review (for new courses in the upcoming Fall semester)
61	9	Sa	Saturday, March 12, 2022	SPRING BREAK (NO SCHEDULED CLASSES)
69	10	Su	Sunday, March 20, 2022	
63	10	M	Monday, March 14, 2022	Summer Registration Continues: Summer Registration begins for currently enrolled undergraduate and graduate students

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74	11	F	Friday, March 25, 2022	<p>Deadline: Last day to designate a full-term course status to “Pass/Fail” option</p> <p>Deadline: Last day to drop courses (for 1st year, 2nd semester (previous Fall) undergraduate matriculants only) - students must go to the Office of the Registrar by 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Deadline: Last day for second-year undergraduate students to formally declare their official major with the Office of the Registrar, via a Declaration Form</p> <p>Graduation Deadline: Last day for Spring (May) degree candidates to declare any additional major, minor or university certificates, if applicable (Undergraduate Students)</p> <p>Fall Registration: Fall Course Schedule Published to courses.rice.edu</p> <p>Fall Registration: <i>Course Request Period</i> opens for undergraduate students</p>
88	13	F	Friday, April 8, 2022	<p>Fall Registration: <i>Course Request Period</i> closes for undergraduate students at 5:00 p.m.</p>
91	14	M	Monday, April 11, 2022	<p>Fall Registration: Fall Registration begins for currently enrolled graduate, and undergraduate professional (BArch) students at 5:00 p.m.</p>
93	14	W	Wednesday, April 13, 2022	<p>Fall Registration: <i>ADD/DROP</i> begins for undergraduate students at 7:00 a.m.</p>
95	14	F	Friday, April 15, 2022	<p>Deadline: Last day to register for the upcoming Fall semester by 5:00 p.m. without a Late Registration Fee</p>
96	14	Sa	Saturday, April 16, 2022	<p>Late Registration Begins: Continuing students that have not registered for any Fall classes are charged a Late Registration Fee to add classes</p>
102	15	F	Friday, April 22, 2022	<p>LAST DAY OF CLASSES</p> <p>Deadline: Last day to drop courses (for Spring undergraduate matriculants only) - students must go to the Office of the Registrar by 4:00 p.m.</p> <p>Graduation Deadline: Last day to submit theses in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for May degree conferral by 12:00 noon</p>
103	15	Sa	Saturday, April 23, 2022	<p>Study Days - NO EXAMS</p>
106	16	Tu	Tuesday, April 26, 2022	
107	16	W	Wednesday, April 27, 2022	<p>Graduation Deadline: Last day for academic departments to submit to the Provost's Office their proposed list of degree candidates to receive the university honor of <i>Distinction in Research and Creative Work</i></p>
107	16	W	Wednesday, April 27, 2022	<p>Final Examinations for all undergraduate courses</p>
113	17	T	Tuesday, May 3, 2022	
113	17	T	Tuesday, May 3, 2022	END OF THE SPRING SEMESTER
116	17	F	Friday, May 6, 2022	GRADUATION - Convocation Ceremonies
117	17	Sa	Saturday, May 7, 2022	GRADUATION - Commencement Ceremony (Rice University's 109th Commencement)
121	18	W	Wednesday, May 11, 2022	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit Final Grades online via ESTHER

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123	18	F	Friday, May 13, 2022	Deadline: (May Undergraduate Degree Recipients only) Last day to convert a “Pass/Fail” to an earned letter grade for courses taken in Spring semester
172	25	F	Friday, July 1, 2022	<p>Graduation Deadline: Last day to file an application for a August degree conferral with the Office of the Registrar (All Students)</p> <p>Graduation Deadline: Last day to file the following in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for August degree conferral:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Thesis masters candidacy petitions — Certification of non-thesis masters — Form for candidacy masters — Ph.D. candidacy petitions
214	31	F	Friday, August 12, 2022	Graduation Deadline: Last day to submit theses in the Office of Graduate and Postdoctoral Studies for August degree conferral by 12:00 noon
228	33	F	Friday, August 26, 2022	Deadline: Last day for instructors to submit final grades to resolve “Incomplete” (INC) grades for courses taken in the Spring semester