

Academic Calendar 2015-2016

Summer 2015

April 1 - 9, 2015	Wed. - Thurs.	Pre-registration for Summer courses.
April 10 - 21, 2015	Fri. - Tues.	Summer registration closed for Fall registration (online via Banner for continuing students).
April 22 - June 24, 2015	Wed. - Wed.	Late registration period for Summer courses.
June 21, 2015	Sun.	Residence halls open.
June 22, 2015	Mon.	Summer Session begins.
June 24, 2015	Wed.	Last day to change courses. (All students MUST be in their registered courses by Thursday, June 25.)
July 3, 2015	Fri.	Independence Day holiday. No University exercises.
July 7, 2015	Tues.	Last day to change grade options.
Aug 1 - 4, 2015	Sat. - Tues.	Reading period.
August 4, 2015	Tues.	Last day to drop a course. Last day to initiate a Course Performance Report via ASK.
Aug 5 - Aug 7, 2015	Wed. - Fri.	Final examination period.
August 7, 2015	Fri.	Summer Session ends.
August 8, 2015	Sat.	Residence halls close.

Fall 2015

Aug. 1, 2015	Sat.	Last day for payment of charges.
Sept. 4, 2015	Fri.	Beginning of Graduate School Orientation
Sept. 5, 2015	Sat.	Beginning of College Orientation
Sept. 8, 2015	Tues.	Opening Convocation at 4:00 p.m. Registration of new students for the first semester (7:00 pm to midnight).
Sept. 9, 2015	Wed.	Classes of the first semester begin. Web registration begins at 8:00 a.m.
Sept. 10, 2015	Thurs.	First day of RISD Fall Session
Sept. 17, 2015	Thurs.	Last day to register for a Fall RISD course without a fee or change a grade option for a Fall RISD course - (5:00 p.m. deadline).
Sept. 23, 2015	Wed.	Last day to add a course without a fee. (5:00 p.m. deadline. 24 hr extension due to Rosh Hashanah) <i>The web will be taken down for approximately one hour. Once relaunched, all course adds require instructor override and will be</i>

Oct. 6, 2015	Tues.	Last day to add a course (includes late fee), change from audit to credit, or change a grade option declaration (5:00 p.m. deadline).
Oct. 12, 2015	Mon.	Fall Weekend holiday. No University exercises.
Oct. 13, 2015	Tues.	Date by which sophomores entering their 5th semester must file their concentration declaration forms via ASK to avoid having a "No Concentration" hold placed against their Banner registration. (5:00 pm deadline).
Oct. 15, 2015	Thurs.	Deadline for students currently on leave to apply for readmission for Semester II.
Oct. 16, 2015	Fri.	Mid-semester deadline. Last day to change from credit to audit in a course (5:00 p.m. deadline).
Oct. 19 - Oct. 30, 2015	Mon.- Fri.	Advising period for spring pre-registration. Students in their first through third semesters will need to procure their advising PIN from their advisor in order to register.
Oct. 29, 2015	Thurs.	Date by which advisors must approve sophomore submitted concentrations in ASK to avoid having a "No Concentration" hold placed against the student's Banner registration. (5:00 pm deadline).
Nov. 3 - 10, 2015	Tues. - Tues.	Registration for Semester II. (Note: No student will be permitted to register for his or her fifth semester unless an approved declaration of concentration has been filed.)
Nov. 6 , 2015	Fri.	Deadline for submission of proposals for undergraduate group study projects (GISPs) for Semester II.
Nov. 10, 2015	Tues.	End of the pre-registration period.
Nov. 25 - 29, 2015	Wed. - Sun.	Thanksgiving recess beginning Wednesday at noon.
Nov. 30, 2015	Mon.	Classes resume.
Dec. 1, 2015	Tues.	Deadline for undergraduates to declare a leave for Semester II.
Dec. 5, 2015	Sat.	Midyear Completion Celebration at 4:00 p.m. in Salomon De Ciccio Family Auditorium. Reception to follow in Sayles Hall.
Dec. 7 - 11, 2015	Mon. - Fri.	Reading Period (optional and at the discretion of the instructor.)
Dec. 8, 2015	Tues.	Last day of Fall RISD classes.
Dec. 11, 2015	Fri.	Classes end for courses not observing the Reading Period. Last day to drop a course (5:00 p.m. deadline) or to request an incomplete from an instructor. Last day for advisors to approve second or third concentrations in ASK for students in their penultimate semester(for most students this is 7th semester) who are declaring a second/third concentration(5:00 p.m. deadline). *Any declarations not "advisor approved" and recorded in Banner by the Office of the Registrar by the 5:00 p.m. deadline will not be honored. Last day to initiate a Course Performance Report via ASK.

Dec. 12 - 21, 2015	Sat. - Mon.	Final Examination Period.
<u>Spring 2016</u>		
Jan. 1, 2016	Fri.	Last day for payment of charges.
Jan. 6, 2016	Wed.	First day of RISD Winter Session.
Jan. 13, 2016	Wed.	Last day to register for a Winter RISD course without a fee or change a grade option for a Winter RISD course (5:00 p.m. deadline).
Jan. 18, 2016	Mon.	Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. No University exercises.
Jan. 26, 2016	Tues.	Registration of new students for the second semester (4:00 pm to midnight).
Jan. 27, 2016	Wed.	Classes of the second semester begin. Web registration begins at 8:00 am. Theses of candidates for Masters and Ph.D. degrees in May (on Semester I registration fee) are due.
Feb. 9, 2016	Tues.	Last day of Winter RISD classes.
Feb. 10, 2016	Wed.	Last day to add a course without a fee - extended due to winter storm (5:00 p.m. deadline) <i>The web will be taken down for approximately one hour. Once relaunched, all course adds require Instructor override and will be charged late fee of \$15 per course.</i>
Feb. 18, 2016	Thurs.	First day of RISD Spring Session.
Feb. 20 - 23, 2016	Sat. - Tues.	Long weekend. No University exercises.
Feb. 24, 2016	Wed.	Classes resume. Last day to add a course (includes late fee), change from audit to credit, or change a grade option declaration (5:00 p.m. deadline).
Feb. 25, 2016	Thurs.	Last day to register for a Spring RISD course without a fee or change a grade option for a Spring RISD course (5:00 p.m. deadline).
Feb. 29, 2016	Mon.	Date by which graduating students <u>with more than one concentration</u> on their record to change/select the departmental ceremony where they wish to obtain their diploma (5:00 p.m. deadline).
March 11, 2016	Fri.	Mid-semester deadline. Last day to change from credit to audit in a course (5:00 p.m. deadline). <u>Mandatory for all Seniors</u> - Last Day to have your updated concentration declaration (including course list) approved in ASK (5:00 p.m. deadline).
Mar. 26 - Apr. 3, 2016	Sat. - Sun.	Spring Recess.
April 1, 2016	Fri.	Deadline for students currently on leave to apply for readmission for Semester I.
April 4, 2016	Mon.	Classes resume. <u>Seniors:</u> Last day to update diploma information such as name and mailing address via Self-Service Banner's Application to Graduate (Note: This is a required step for all students planning to graduate).

Apr. 4 - Apr. 21, 2016	Mon. - Thurs.	Advising period for fall pre-registration. Students in their first through third semesters will need to procure their advising PIN from their advisor in order to register.
April 7, 2016	Thurs.	Date by which sophomores entering their 5th semester must file their concentration declaration forms via ASK to avoid having a "No Concentration" hold placed against their Banner registration. (5:00 pm deadline).
April 8, 2016	Fri.	Deadline for submission of proposals for undergraduate group study projects (GISPs) for Semester I.
April 21, 2016	Thurs.	Date by which advisors must approve sophomore submitted concentrations in ASK to avoid having a "No Concentration" hold placed against the student's Banner registration. (5:00 pm deadline).
April 25 - May 2, 2016	Mon - Mon.	Registration for Semester I, 2016-17. (Note: No student will be permitted to register for his or her fifth semester unless an approved declaration of concentration has been filed.)
April 29 - May 10, 2016	Fri. - Tues.	Reading Period (optional and at the discretion of the instructor).
May 1, 2016	Sun.	Deadline for undergraduates to declare a leave for Semester I. Theses of candidates for Masters and Ph.D. degrees in May due.
May 2, 2016	Mon.	End of the pre-registration period.
May 6, 2016	Fri.	Seniors: Honors recommendations from academic departments due (5:00 p.m. deadline). Please have your work in your committee's hands well before this date.
May 10, 2016	Tues.	Classes end for courses not observing the Reading Period. Last day to drop a course (5:00 p.m. deadline) or to request an incomplete from an instructor. Last day for advisors to approve second or third concentrations in ASK for students in their penultimate semester (for most students this is 7th semester) who are declaring a second/third concentration (5:00 p.m. deadline). *Any declarations not "advisor approved" and recorded in Banner by the Office of the Registrar by the 5:00 p.m. deadline will not be honored. Last day to initiate a Course Performance Report via ASK.
May 11 - 20, 2016	Wed. - Fri.	Final Examination Period. (No exams on Sunday May 15).
May 18, 2016	Wed.	Last day of Spring RISD classes.
May 20, 2016	Fri.	Seniors: Last day to submit Official Transcripts from study elsewhere to complete degree requirements (5:00 p.m. deadline). Last day to have grades for work from a previous semester submitted by your instructor(s) and/or have a RISD instructor(s) submit your spring 2016 grade to the Office of the Registrar should you need the grade(s) to complete your degree requirements (5:00 p.m. deadline).
May 29, 2016	Sun.	Commencement.