

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The University provides a year round instructional program consisting of fall and spring semesters and a summer term. WKU also offers a winter term, three 5-week sessions in spring, summer and fall terms, and bi-term courses during the fall and spring semesters. The academic year at WKU is divided into two semesters consisting of sixteen weeks, a thirteen-week summer term, and a three-week winter term. The opening and closing dates are listed below.

Fall Semester 2024

Classes Begin (Full-Term, First Bi-Term, 5-Week Session 1)	Monday, August 19
Labor Day (University closed)	Monday, September 2
5-Week Session 1 Ends	Friday, September 20
5-Week Session 2 Begins	Monday, September 23
Fall Break (University closed)	Monday-Tuesday, October 7-8
1st Bi-Term Finals	Thursday-Friday, October 10-11
2nd Bi-Term Begins	Monday, October 14
5-Week Session 2 Ends	Friday, October 25
5-Week Session 3 Begins	Monday, October 28
Election Day (University closed)	Tuesday, November 5
Thanksgiving Holiday (University closed)	Wednesday-Friday, November 27-29
Final Examinations	Monday-Thursday, December 2-5
2nd Bi-Term Finals	Wednesday-Thursday, December 4-5
5-Week Session 3 Ends	Thursday, December 5
College Recognition Ceremonies	Friday, December 6
Final Grades Due (noon)	Tuesday, December 10

Winter Term 2025

3-Week and 5-Week Sessions Begin	Monday, December 16
Winter Break (University closed- Winter Session Classes in Session)	December 23-January 3
3-Week Classes End	Saturday, January 4
2-Week Classes Begin	Monday, January 6
2-Week and 5-Week Classes End	Saturday, January 18
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (University closed)	Monday, January 20
Final Grades Due (noon)	Tuesday, January 21

Spring Semester 2025

Classes Begin (Full-Term, First Bi-Term, 5-Week Session 1)	Tuesday, January 21
5-Week Session 1 Ends	Friday, February 21
5-Week Session 2 Begins	Monday, February 24
1st Bi-Term Finals	Thursday-Friday, March 6-7
2nd Bi-Term Begins	Monday, March 10
Spring Break	Monday-Friday, March 17-21 (University closed - Wednesday-Friday, March 19-21)
5-Week Session 2 Ends	Friday, April 4
5-Week Session 3 Begins	Monday, April 7
2nd Bi-Term Finals	Thursday-Friday, May 1-2

Final Examinations	Monday-Thursday, May 5-8
5 Week Session 3 Ends	Thursday, May 8
Commencement	Thursday, May 8
College Recognition Ceremonies	Friday, May 9
Final Grades Due (noon)	Tuesday, May 13

Summer Term 2025

Classes Begin	Monday, May 12
Memorial Day (University closed)	Monday, May 26
Juneteenth Holiday (University closed)	Wednesday, June 19
Independence Day (University closed)	Thursday, July 4
Summer Term Ends	Friday, August 8