## Academic Calendar

Commencement Dec 12 Dec 10 Dec 9 Dec 8 Dec 7 Dec 12 Dec 11   Final Examinations Dec 14-18 Dec 12-16 Dec 11-15 Dec 10-14 Dec 9-13 Dec 14-18 Dec 13-17	First Semester (Fall)	2015- 2016	2016- 2017	2017- 2018	2018- 2019	2019- 2020	2020- 2021	2021- 2022
Midterm grades due, 5:00 p.m.Oct 14Oct 12Oct 11Oct 10Oct 9Oct 14Oct 13Veterans Day holidayNov 11Nov 11Nov 10*Nov 12*Nov 11Nov 11Nov 11Thanksgiving VacationNov 23-27Nov 21-25Nov 20-24Nov 19-23Nov 25-29Nov 23-27Nov 22-26CommencementDec 12Dec 10Dec 9Dec 8Dec 7Dec 12Dec 11Final ExaminationsDec 14-18Dec 12-16Dec 11-15Dec 10-14Dec 9-13Dec 14-18Dec 13-17	Classes begin, Monday	Aug 24	Aug 22	Aug 21	Aug 20	Aug 19	Aug 24	Aug 23
Veterans Day holidayNov 11Nov 11Nov 10*Nov 12*Nov 11Nov 11Nov 11Thanksgiving VacationNov 23-27Nov 21-25Nov 20-24Nov 19-23Nov 25-29Nov 23-27Nov 22-26CommencementDec 12Dec 10Dec 9Dec 8Dec 7Dec 12Dec 11Final ExaminationsDec 14-18Dec 12-16Dec 11-15Dec 10-14Dec 9-13Dec 14-18Dec 13-17	Labor Day holiday	Sept 7	Sept 5	Sept 4	Sept 3	Sept 2	Sept 7	Sept 6
Thanksgiving VacationNov 23-27Nov 21-25Nov 20-24Nov 19-23Nov 25-29Nov 23-27Nov 22-26CommencementDec 12Dec 10Dec 9Dec 8Dec 7Dec 12Dec 11Final ExaminationsDec 14-18Dec 12-16Dec 11-15Dec 10-14Dec 9-13Dec 14-18Dec 13-17	Midterm grades due, 5:00 p.m.	Oct 14	Oct 12	Oct 11	Oct 10	Oct 9	Oct 14	Oct 13
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	Final Examinations	Dec 14-18	Dec 12-16	Dec 11-15	Dec 10-14	Dec 9-13	Dec 14-18	Dec 13-17
Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.Dec 22Dec 20Dec 19Dec 18Dec 17Dec 22Dec 21	Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.	Dec 22	Dec 20	Dec 19	Dec 18	Dec 17	Dec 22	Dec 21
Second Semester (Spring)								
Classes begin Jan 11 Jan 9 Jan 8 Jan 7 Jan 13 Jan 11 Jan 10	0	•	0	-	0	•	-	0
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day holiday Jan 18 Jan 16 Jan 15 Jan 21 Jan 20 Jan 18 Jan 17	• • •		•	•	•	•	•	•
Presidents Day holidayFeb 15Feb 20Feb 19Feb 18Feb 17Feb 15Feb 21	Presidents Day holiday	Feb 15	Feb 20		Feb 18	Feb 17	Feb 15	Feb 21
Midterm grades due, 5:00 p.m. Mar 2 Mar 1 Feb 28 Feb 27 Mar 4 Mar 3 Mar 2	Midterm grades due, 5:00 p.m.	Mar 2	Mar 1	Feb 28	Feb 27	Mar 4	Mar 3	Mar 2
Spring Vacation, (10th week) Mar 14-18 Mar 13-17 Mar 12-16 Mar 11-15 Mar 16-20 Mar 15-19 Mar 14-18	Spring Vacation, (10th week)	Mar 14-18	Mar 13-17	Mar 12-16	Mar 11-15	Mar 16-20	Mar 15-19	Mar 14-18
Final ExaminationsMay 2-6May 1-5Apr 30- May 4Apr 29- May 3May 4-8May 3-7May 2-6	Final Examinations	May 2-6	May 1-5			May 4-8	May 3-7	May 2-6
CommencementMay 7May 6May 5May 4May 9May 8May 7	Commencement	May 7	May 6	May 5	May 4	May 9	May 8	May 7
Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.May 10May 9May 8May 7May 12May 11May 10	Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.	May 10	May 9	May 8	May 7	May 12	May 11	May 10
Summer Session	Summer Session							
Early Session beginsMay 9May 8May 7May 6May 11May 10May 9	Early Session begins	May 9	May 8	May 7	May 6	May 11	May 10	May 9
Memorial Day holidayMay 30May 29May 28May 27May 25May 31May 30	Memorial Day holiday	May 30	May 29	May 28	May 27	May 25	May 31	May 30
Eight-Week Session beginsJune 6June 5June 4June 3June 8June 7June 6	Eight-Week Session begins	June 6	June 5	June 4	June 3	June 8	June 7	June 6
Late Six-Week Session beginsJune 20June 19June 18June 17June 22June 21June 20	Late Six-Week Session begins	June 20	June 19	June 18	June 17	June 22	June 21	June 20
Independence Day holidayJuly 4July 4July 4July 4July 3*July 5*July 4	Independence Day holiday	July 4	July 4	July 4	July 4	July 3*	July 5*	July 4
Summer Session ends, FridayJuly 29July 28July 27July 26July 31July 30July 29	Summer Session ends, Friday	July 29	July 28	July 27	July 26	July 31	July 30	July 29
Final grades due, 4:00 p.m.Aug 2Aug 1July 31July 30Aug 4Aug 3Aug 2	Final grades due, 4:00 p.m.	Aug 2	Aug 1	July 31	July 30	Aug 4	Aug 3	Aug 2

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*Please note: Faculty advising and registration for continuing students will be held prior to the end of the previous term.* 

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Accreditation by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities is not partial but applies to the institution as a whole. As such, it is not a guarantee of every course or program offered, or the competence of individual graduates. Rather, it provides reasonable assurance about the quality of opportunities available to students who attend the institution.

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Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities 8060 165th Avenue N.E., Suite 100 Redmond, WA 98052 (425) 558-4224 www.nwccu.org

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