

# OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

ACADEMIC YEAR 2019- 2020

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This calendar includes an addendum listing religious holidays for use in requesting excused absences according to University Policy, Excused Absences for University Extracurricular Activities and Religious Holidays. For religious holidays not listed, contact the Office of the Chaplain.

## January Term 2020

December 19, 2019 – January 16, 2020

The January Term consists of two primary sessions: Dallas January Session and SMU-in-Taos January Session. Each primary session has different deadline dates. Some areas of instruction may offer a limited number of selected courses during the January Term, December 19, 2019 – January 16, 2020 with unique start, end, deadline dates, and class meeting times to accommodate the particular needs of the course.

January 1, Wednesday: New Year's Day. University offices closed.

### Dallas January Session 2020

*Note: Classes meet six hours per day, Monday through Friday. See Intersessions website for specific class information.*

January 5, Sunday: Last day to enroll, add a course, or drop a course without academic record. Last day to file for graduation in January Term.

January 6, Monday: First day of classes.

January 6, Monday: Last day to declare pass/fail or no credit grading options. Last day to request an excused absence for the observance of a religious holiday.

January 9, Thursday: Last day for January Term graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete, and to obtain a final grade for a grade of X or a missing grade from a previous term.

January 13, Monday: Reading Day.

January 15, Wednesday: Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University (grade of W).

January 16, Thursday: Last day of classes, including examinations. Official close of the term and conferral of degrees.

### SMU-in-Taos January Session 2020

Permission of SMU-in-Taos required for all enrollments.

January 2, Thursday: Last day to enroll, add a course, or drop a course without academic record.

January 2, Thursday: Student travel/arrival.

January 3, Friday: First day of classes.

January 6, Monday: Last day to declare pass/fail or no credit grading options. Last day to request an excused absence for the observance of a religious holiday.

January 9, Thursday: Last day for January Term graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete, and to obtain a final grade for a grade of X or a missing grade from a previous term.

January 14, Tuesday: Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University (grade of W).

January 15, Wednesday: Last day of classes, including examinations. Travel Day.

January 16, Thursday: Unofficial Taos Travel.

## Spring Term 2020

January 17 – May 16, 2020

November 4– January 24, Monday– Friday: Enrollment for spring 2020 continuing students for all undergraduates and graduates in Dedman College, Lyle, Meadows, and Simmons.

TBA - January: Residence halls officially open at 9:00a.m.

January (TBA): Academic Advising, Enrollment and Orientation conferences for new first-year and transfer undergraduate students. Conference dates to be announced. More information about AARO is available from the Office of the Student Experience, Student Affairs, 214-768-4560, <https://www.smu.edu/studentaffairs/newstudent>.

January 1, Wednesday: New Year's Day. University offices closed.

January 10, Friday: Spring Rotunda Passage

January 17, Friday: First day of classes.

January 20, Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. University offices closed.

January 24, Friday: Last day to enroll, add a course, or drop a course without tuition billing while remaining enrolled for the term. Last day to file for graduation in May.

January 31, Friday: Last day to drop a course without academic record (\_\_\_\_\_). Last day to withdraw from the university without academic record (\_\_\_\_\_). See Bursar's website for more information.

February 4, Tuesday: Last day to declare pass/fail or no credit grading options. Also, last day to request an excused absence for the observance of a religious holiday.

February 24, Monday: Early intervention grades due for first-year undergraduate students.

March 6, Friday: Last day for continuing undergraduate students to change their majors before April enrollment.

March 16–22, Monday–Sunday: Spring break

March 16–April 24, Monday–Friday: Undergraduate students may drop a course without academic record.

March 30, Monday: Midterm grades due for first-year and sophomore students.

March 31, Tuesday: 60 percent point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned 12 0 612 792 2 (oint o) 42 0 df0 619aq0.00000912 0 612 ed.

April 13, Monday: Last Day for May graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete, and to obtain a final grade for a grade of X or a missing grade from a previous term.

April 13, Monday: Honors Convocation, 5:30 p.m.

April 22, Wednesday: Students should file for August or December graduation. Last day to file for August graduation is June 4. Last day to file for December graduation is the last day to enroll for fall 2020.

April 24, Friday: Last day to drop a course (grade of W).

April 24, Friday: Last day to drop a course without academic record for undergraduates.

April 24, Friday: Last day to withdraw from the University.

April 29-May 4, Wednesday- Monday: No final examinations or unscheduled tests and papers.

April 30, Thursday: Last day for oral/written examinations for graduate students who are May degree candidates.

May 4, Monday: Last day of classes.

May 5, Tuesday: Reading Day.

May 6- 12, Wednesday- Tuesday: Examinations (No examinations scheduled for Sunday).

June 4, Thursday:

June

## Major Religious Holidays

Listing of religious holidays for use in requesting excused absences according to University Policy, Excused Absences for University Extracurricular Activities and Religious Holidays. For religious holidays not listed, the instructor or supervisor may contact the Office of the Chaplain.

Christmas: December 25, 2019  
Good Friday: April 10, 2020

Easter Sunday: April 12, 2020  
Easter Sunday (Orthodox): April 19, 2020

Janmashtami: August 23, 2019  
Dasera: October 7, 2019

Diwali: October 27, 2019

Rosh Hashanah: September 30, 2019  
Yom Kippur: October 9, 2019  
Sukkot/Simchat Torah: October 14-15, 2019  
Hanukkah: December 23, 2019

Purim: March 10, 2020  
Pesach (Passover): April 9-10, 2020  
Shavuot: May 29, 2020

Eid al Adha: August 12, 2019  
Islamic New Year: August 31, 2019  
Ashura: September 10, 2019

Mawlid an Nabi: November 10, 2019  
Ramadan: April 24, 2020  
Eid al Fitr: May 24, 2020

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*\* All holidays begin at sundown before the first day noted and conclude at sundown on the day(s) noted.*