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PERPETUAL ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Purpose

The following procedure is established to standardize the annual academic calendar.

Procedure

1. General
 - a. Semesters shall be 16 weeks in length, including final exams.
 - b. Graduate and professional programs may establish terms other than those specified in this procedure, however these must fit within the beginning and end dates of standard terms or be approved by the Provost and Registrar.
2. Fall Semester
 - a. The fall semester shall begin on the Saturday following the third Tuesday in August.
 - b. The Fall Holiday shall be the first Friday after the mid-term point of the fall semester unless that would conflict with Homecoming, in which case the Fall Holiday is moved to the following Friday.
3. Spring Semester
 - a. The spring semester shall begin on the second Saturday in January.
 - b. Spring Break shall begin on the first Saturday after the mid-term point of the spring semester.
 - c. The Spring Holiday shall be the Friday before Easter.
4. Summer Sessions
 - a. There shall be two six-week summer terms, with no break between them. The first shall begin on the Monday following Spring Commencement. Four-week terms shall be embedded within the six-week terms, with start dates the same as those of the six-week terms.