

# Academic Calendar

<b>First Semester (Fall)</b>	<b>2011-2012</b>	<b>2012-2013</b>	<b>2013-2014</b>	<b>2014-2015</b>	<b>2015-2016</b>	<b>2016-2017</b>
Classes begin, Monday	Aug 22	Aug 20	Aug 19	Aug 25	Aug 24	Aug 22
Labor Day holiday	Sept 5	Sept 3	Sept 2	Sept 1	Sept 7	Sept 5
Midsemester grades due, 5:00 pm.	Oct 12	Oct 10	Oct 9	Oct 15	Oct 14	Oct 12
Veterans' Day holiday	Nov 11	Nov 12	Nov 11	Nov 11	Nov 11	Nov 11
Thanksgiving Vacation	Nov 21-25	Nov 19-23	Nov 25-29	Nov 24-28	Nov 23-27	Nov 21-25
Commencement	Dec 10	Dec 8	Dec 7	Dec 13	Dec 12	Dec 10
Final Exams, Monday-Friday	Dec 12-16	Dec 10-14	Dec 9-13	Dec 15-19	Dec 14-18	Dec 12-16
Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.	Dec 20	Dec 18	Dec 17	Dec 23	Dec 22	Dec 20
<b>Second Semester (Spring)</b>						
Classes begin	Jan 9	Jan 7	Jan 13	Jan 12	Jan 11	Jan 9
Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday	Jan 16	Jan 21	Jan 20	Jan 19	Jan 18	Jan 16
Presidents' Day holiday	Feb 20	Feb 18	Feb 17	Feb 16	Feb 15	Feb 20
Midsemester grades due, 5:00 pm.	Feb 29	Feb 27	Mar 5	Mar 4	Mar 2	Mar 1
Spring Vacation	Mar 12-16	Mar 11-15	Mar 17-21	Mar 16-20	Mar 14-18	Mar 13-17
Final Exams, Monday-Friday	April 30-May 4	April 29-May 3	May 5-9	May 4-8	May 2-6	May 1-5
Commencement	May 5	May 4	May 10	May 9	May 7	May 6
Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.	May 8	May 7	May 13	May 12	May 10	May 9
<b>Summer Session</b>						
Early Session begins	May 7	May 6	May 12	May 11	May 9	May 8
Memorial Day holiday	May 28	May 27	May 26	May 25	May 30	May 29
Eight-Week Session begins	June 4	June 3	June 9	June 8	June 6	June 5
Late Six-Week Session begins	June 18	June 17	June 23	June 22	June 20	June 19
Independence Day holiday	July 4	July 4	July 4	July 3 (observed)	July 4	July 4
Summer Session ends, Friday	July 27	July 26	Aug 1	July 31	July 29	July 28
Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.	July 31	July 30	Aug 5	Aug 4	Aug 2	Aug 1

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

## Specialized Accreditations

Washington State University is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, the regional accrediting association. The institution is a member of the National University Continuing Education Association and is listed in the official publications of the U.S. Office of Education and the State Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Many departments and colleges are accredited by professional accrediting associations recognized by the Council on Postsecondary Accreditation. This information is included in the introductory material of the various departments and colleges, and an abbreviated list is printed below.

Accrediting Commission on Education for Health Services Administration  
 American Animal Hospital Association  
 AACSB International – The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business  
 American Association for Accreditation of Laboratory Animal Care  
 American Association of Veterinary Laboratory Diagnosticians  
 American Chemical Society  
 American Council for Construction Education  
 American Council on Pharmaceutical Education  
 American College of Sports Medicine

American Dietetic Association  
 The Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education  
 American Psychological Association  
 American Society of Landscape Architects  
 American Speech-Language-Hearing Association  
 American Veterinary Medical Association Council on Education  
 Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training Education  
 Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education  
 Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education  
 Computing Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology  
 Council for Interior Design Accreditation  
 Engineering Accreditation Commission of the Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology  
 National Accreditation Commission for Early Care and Education Programs  
 National Architectural Accrediting Board  
 National Association of Schools of Music  
 National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education  
 Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities  
 Society of American Foresters  
 Washington State Professional Educator Standards Board  
 Washington State Commission for Quality Assurance in Nursing