

# OFFICIAL UNIVERSITY CALENDAR

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## ACADEMIC YEAR 2010-2011

This calendar includes an addendum listing religious holidays for use in requesting excused absences according to University Policy 1.9. For religious holidays not listed, the instructor or supervisor may contact the Office of the Chaplain.

Graduate Programs in the Cox School of Business, Perkins School of Theology and Dedman School of Law have different calendars.

Official University Holidays will be posted at a later time.

## FALL TERM 2010

April 5 – April 23, Monday – Friday: Enrollment Fall 2010 Continuing Students for all undergraduates and graduate Dedman & Meadows.

May/July/August -TBA: Academic Advising, Enrollment and Orientation (AARO) conferences for new first-year and transfer undergraduate students. Conference dates to be announced. Contact New Student Programs, Student Life Office, 214-768-4560, [www.smu.edu/newstudent](http://www.smu.edu/newstudent).

August 21, Saturday: Residence halls officially open.

August 22, Sunday: Opening Convocation, McFarlin Auditorium.

August 22, Sunday: Arrival of Students for Taos Fall Term.

August 23, Monday: First day of classes.

August 23, Monday: First day of classes for Taos Fall Term.

August 27, Friday: Last day to enroll, add courses or drop courses without grade record or tuition billing. Last day to file for graduation in December

September 6, Monday: University Holiday - Labor Day.

September 8, Wednesday: Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options. Last day to request excused absence for observance of a religious holiday.

September-TBA, Friday-Saturday: Family Weekend.

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

October 11-12, Monday-Tuesday: Fall Break

November- TBA, Friday-Saturday: Homecoming.

November 1 - November 19, Monday-Friday: Enrollment Spring 2011 Continuing Students for all undergraduates and graduate Dedman and Meadows.

November 1, Monday: 60% point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned if a student officially withdraws from SMU—prior to this date a partial calculated return to federal programs will be required.

November 5, Friday: Last day to drop a course.

November 11, Thursday: Last day for December graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete.

November 19, Friday: Students should file for May graduation. Last day to file is January 24.

November 23, Tuesday: Last day to withdraw from the University

November 24, Wednesday: “No Class” Day

November 25-26, Thursday- Friday: University Holiday – Thanksgiving.

December 1-6, Wednesday-Monday: No final examinations or unscheduled tests and papers.

December 2, Thursday: Last day for oral/written examinations for December graduate degree candidates.

December 6, Monday: Last day of instruction.

December 7, Tuesday: Reading Day

December 8-15, Wednesday-Wednesday: Examinations (No examinations scheduled for Saturday and Sunday).

December 16, Sunday: Residence halls officially close.

December 18, Saturday: Official close of term and date for conferral of degrees. Graduation ceremony for December graduates.

December 18, Saturday: Departure of Taos Fall Term students.  
December 25, Saturday: University Holiday – Christmas/Winter Break.

## **JANUARY INTER-TERM 2011**

January 3, Monday: University Holiday - New Year's  
(Note: Some areas of instruction offer selected courses during the January Inter-term,  
December 20– January 17.)

## **SPRING TERM 2011**

November 1-January 24, Monday-Monday: Enrollment Spring 2011 Continuing Students for all undergraduates and graduate Dedman and Meadows.

January - TBA: Academic Advising, Enrollment and Orientation (AARO) conferences for new first- year and transfer undergraduate students. Conference dates to be announced. Contact New Student Programs, Student Life Office, 214-768-4560, [www.smu.edu/newstudent](http://www.smu.edu/newstudent).

January 3, Monday: University Holiday - New Year's

January 11, Tuesday: Residence halls officially open.

January 17, Monday: University Holiday – Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday

January 18, Tuesday: First day of classes.

January 24, Monday: Last day to enroll, add courses or drop courses without grade record or tuition billing. Last day to file for May graduation.

February 2, Wednesday: Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first- year repeated course grading options. Last day to request excused absence for observance of a religious holiday.

March 12-20, Saturday-Sunday: Spring Break.

March 30, Wednesday: 60% point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned if a student officially withdraws from SMU—prior to this date a partial calculated return to federal programs will be required.

April 1, Friday: Last day for continuing undergraduate students to change their majors before April enrollment.

April 6, Wednesday: Last day to drop a course.

April 4--22, Monday-Friday: Enrollment Summer 2011 and Fall 2011 Continuing Students for all undergraduates and graduate Dedman and Meadows.

April 11, Monday: Last Day for May graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete.

April 20, Tuesday: Students should file for August or December graduation. Last day to file for August is June 4. Last day to file for December is the last day to enroll for Fall 2010.

April 22, Friday: University Holiday – Good Friday.

April 24, Sunday: Easter Sunday

April 25, Monday: Last day to withdraw from the University.

April 28-May 3, Thursday-Tuesday: No final examinations or unscheduled tests and papers.

May 2, Monday: Last day for oral/written examinations for graduate students who are May degree candidates.

May 3, Tuesday: Last day of instruction. Follows a Friday schedule.

May 4-10, Wednesday -Tuesday: Examinations (No examinations scheduled for Sunday).

May 11, Wednesday: Residence halls officially close for non-graduating students.

May 13, Friday: Baccalaureate.

May 14, Saturday: Commencement.

May 15, Sunday: Resident halls officially close for graduating seniors.

## **MAY TERM 2011**

Some areas of instruction may offer a limited number of selected courses during the May Term period, May 12–30. Each May Term course may have unique start and end dates within the May 12-30 term to accommodate the particular needs of the course.

The following dates are applicable only for courses offered at the Taos campus:

May 11, Wednesday: SMU-in-Taos: May Term Travel Day and Arrival, 2-6 p.m.

May 12, Thursday: SMU-in-Taos: First Day of Classes.

May 13, Friday: SMU-in-Taos: Last day to enroll, add courses and drop courses without grade record or tuition billing. Permission of Taos Program required for all enrollments.

May 28, Saturday: SMU-in-Taos: May Term Examinations

May 29, Sunday: SMU-in-Taos: May Term Departure.

## **SUMMER TERM 2011**

The Summer Term consists of three primary sessions: first session, second session, and full summer session. There are also shorter and longer sessions to accommodate the particular needs of the various instructional units such as SMU-In-Taos, International Programs and Perkins School of Theology.

## **FULL SUMMER SESSION**

Classes will meet 2 hours and 15 minutes twice a week or 1 hour and 30 minutes three times a week.

May 30, Monday: University Holiday – Memorial Day

May 31, Tuesday: First day of Combined Summer Session classes.

June 3, Friday: Last day to enroll, add courses or drop courses without grade record or tuition billing for Full Summer Session course. Last day to file for August graduation

June 9, Thursday: Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options for a Full Summer Session course.

July 4, Monday: University Holiday – Independence Day.

July 5, Tuesday: Follows a Monday class schedule.

July 9, Saturday: 60% point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned if a student officially withdraws from SMU—prior to this date a partial calculated return to federal programs will be required.

July 15, Friday: Last day for August graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete.

July 22, Friday: Last day to drop a Full Summer Session course.

July 27, Wednesday: Last day to withdraw from the University.

August 3, Wednesday: Last day of Full Summer Session instructions and examinations. Official close of the term and date for conferral of degrees.

## **FIRST SESSION**

Classes meet two hours a day, Monday - Friday.

May 30, Monday: University Holiday – Memorial Day

May 31, Tuesday: First day of First Session Classes.

June 1, Wednesday: Last day to enroll, add courses or drop courses without grade record or tuition billing for a First Session course.

June 3, Friday: Last day to declare pass/fail, no credit or first-year repeated course grading options for a First Session Course. Last day to file for August Graduation.

June 18, Saturday: 60% point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned if a student officially withdraws from SMU—prior to this date a partial calculated return to federal programs will be required.

June 22, Wednesday: Last day to drop a First Session course.

June 23, Thursday: Last day to withdraw from the University.

June 29, Wednesday: Last day of First Session instruction and examinations.

## **TAOS SUMMER I SESSION**

June 3, Friday: SMU-in-Taos: Summer I Arrival and First Day of Classes.

June 4, Saturday: SMU-in-Taos: Last day to enroll, add courses and drop courses without grade record or tuition billing. Permission of Taos Program required for all enrollments.

July 1, Friday: SMU-in-Taos: Summer I Examinations.

July 2, Saturday: SMU-in-Taos: Summer I Departure.

## **SECOND SESSION**

Classes meet two hours a day, Monday - Friday

June 3, Friday: Last day to file for August Graduation.

June 30, Thursday: First day of Second Session classes.

July 1, Friday: Last day to enroll, add courses or drop without grade record or tuition billing for Second Session courses.

July 4, Monday: University Holiday – Independence Day.

July 6, Wednesday: Last day to declare Pass/Fail, No Credit or First-Year Repeated Course grading options for a Second Session course.

July 12, Tuesday: Last day for August graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete.

July 21, Thursday: 60% point of the term that federal financial aid has been earned if a student officially withdraws from SMU—prior to this date a partial calculated return to federal programs will be required.

July 22, Friday: Last day to drop a Second Session course.

July 26, Tuesday: Last day to withdraw from the University.

August 1, Monday: Last day of Second Session instruction and examinations.

August 3, Wednesday: Official close of the term and conferral date.

## **TAOS AUGUST TERM 2011**

August 5, Friday: SMU-in-Taos: August Term Arrival and First Day of Classes, 2-6 p.m.

August 6, Saturday: SMU-in-Taos: Last day to enroll, add courses and drop courses without grade record or tuition billing. Permission of Taos Program required for all enrollments.

August 22, Monday: SMU-in-Taos: August Term Examinations.

August 23, Tuesday: SMU-in-Taos: August Term Departure.

## **MAJOR RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS**

**(August 2010-August 2011)**

Listing of religious holidays for use in requesting excused absences according to University Policy 1.9. For religious holidays not listed, the instructor or supervisor may contact the Office of the Chaplain.

### Christian

Christmas	December 25, 2010
Ash Wednesday	March 9, 2011
Good Friday	April 22, 2011
Easter Sunday	April 24, 2011

Easter Sunday (Orthodox) April 24, 2011

### Hindu

Janmashtami September 2, 2010  
Dasera October 17, 2010  
Diwali November 5, 2010

### Jewish\*

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

Rosh Hashanah September 9-10, 2010  
Yom Kippur September 18, 2010  
Sukkot September 23-24, 2010  
Hanukkah December 22-29, 2010  
Pesach (Passover) April 19-26, 2011  
Shavuot June 8-9, 2011

### Muslim

Ramadan August 11, 2010  
Eid al Fitr September 10, 2010  
Eid al Adha November 16, 2010  
Islamic New Year December 7, 2010  
Ashura December 16, 2010  
Mawlid an Nabi February 15, 2011