

Date	Registration/Other Important Events
August	
August 31	Graduate Records begins accepting graduation applications for graduate students expecting to graduate in May 2025 (and continues accepting applications through March 31, 2025).
October - November	
October 1	Deadline for submission of international (F1, J1) admission applications and supporting credentials for the Full and First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions. Consult the Graduate Admissions Office as some graduate programs may have an earlier deadline.
	Academic advisement begins (and continues through October 30) for Advance Registration participants. Contact your Academic Advisor for an appointment.
October 13	Advance Registration begins and continues through October 24.
	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for students in a master's degree program who have earned 25+ credit hours.
	Registration begins at 12 p.m. (noon) for students in a master's degree program who have earned 15-24 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 3 p.m. for students in a master's degree program who have earned 0-14 credit hours.
October 14	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for students in a graduate-level certificate program.
October 15	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for Seniors who have earned 110+ credit hours.
	Registration begins at 12 p.m. (noon) for Seniors who have earned 100-109 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 3 p.m. for Seniors who have earned 90-99 credit hours.
October 17	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for Juniors who have earned 80-89 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 12 p.m. (noon) for Juniors who have earned 70-79 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 3 p.m. for Juniors who have earned 60-69 credit hours.
October 20	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for Sophomores who have earned 50-59 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for 2 nd Bachelor's Degree students.
	Registration begins at 12 p.m. (noon) for Sophomores who have earned 40-49 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 3 p.m. for Sophomores who have earned 30-39 credit hours.
October 22	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for Freshmen who have earned 20-29 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 12 p.m. (noon) for Freshmen who have earned 10-19 credit hours.
	Registration begins at 3 p.m. for Freshmen who have earned 0-9 credit hours.
October 24	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for Students-at-Large (SAL).
	Advance Registration ends.
October 25	Open Registration begins and continues through January 24 for the Full Spring session.
	Open Registration begins and continues through January 21 for the First 8 Week Spring session.
October 31	Deadline for submission of graduate degree-seeking admission applications and supporting credentials for the Full and First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions. Consult with the Graduate Admissions as some graduate programs may have an earlier deadline.
November 30	Deadline for submission of undergraduate degree-seeking admission applications and supporting credentials for the Full and First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions. Consult with the Graduate Admissions as some graduate programs may have an earlier deadline.
December	
December 14	Commencement Ceremony
	Deadline to submit a Student-at-Large admission application for the Full and First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions.
January	
January 2	First payment due for students who registered for Spring. Payment due by 11:59 p.m. via NEUport . Students receiving financial aid should confirm with the Office of Financial Aid.
January 4	Deadline for departmental chairpersons to submit the Graduate Thesis Registration Form to the appropriate College Dean (College of Arts and Sciences, Goodwin College of Education, College of Business and Technology)

	for Spring 2025 for approval. Students, please contact your Thesis/Program Advisor for departmental submission deadlines.
	Deadline for college Deans to submit the Individualized Study Registration Form for Independent Study to the Provost's Office for the Full and First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions. Students, please contact your program advisor/chairperson for departmental submission deadlines.
January 16	Waitlists end at 3:00 p.m.
January 19	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday Holiday. University closed.
January 20	Weekday classes begin.
January 21	Open Registration ends for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session.
January 22	Change of Registration begins and continues through January 27 for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session. Departmental Approval will be required.
January 24	Saturday classes begin. Open Registration ends for the Full Spring Session.
January 25	Change of Registration begins and continues through February 2 for the Full Spring Session. Departmental approval will be required.
January 27	Change of Registration ends for the First 8 Week Spring Session. Last day to drop a course from the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and receive a 100% refund/credit of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses). Last day to drop a course from the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and not be assigned a "W" (withdrawn) grade. Last day to apply for the Pass/Fail Option with Enrollment Services for the First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions. Last day to apply for the Audit Option with Enrollment Services for the First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions.
January 28	50% tuition and fees refund/credit period begins and continues through February 5 for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session.
January 29	Second deferred payment due by 11:59 p.m. via NEIUpport .
February	
February 2	Change of Registration ends for the Full Spring Session. Last day to drop a course from the Full Spring Session and receive a 100% refund/credit of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses). Last day to drop a course from the Full Spring Session and not be assigned a "W" (withdrawn) grade. Last day to waive the mandatory parking fee with Student Payment Services. Last day to apply for the Pass/Fail Option with Enrollment Services for the Full Spring Sessions. Last day to apply for the Audit Option with Enrollment Services for the Full Spring Sessions.
February 3	50% tuition and fees refund/credit period begins and continues through February 16 for the Full Spring Session.
February 4	Second deferred payment due by 11:59 p.m. via NEIUpport .
February 5	Last day to drop a course from the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and receive a 50% refund of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses).
February 6	25% tuition and fees refund/credit period begins and continues through February 12 for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session.
February 12	Lincoln's Birthday – University Closed/No classes. Last day to drop a course from the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and receive a 25% refund of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses). No refund of tuition and fees starting February 13.
February 13	No refund/credit period of tuition and fees for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session begins and continues through February 25.
February 16	Last day to drop a course from the Full Spring Session and receive a 50% refund of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses).
February 17	25% tuition and fees refund/credit period begins and continues through March 13 for the Full Spring Session.
February 19	Refunds disbursed beginning at 1:00 p.m.
February 25	Last day to drop a class from the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and receive a "W" (withdrawn) grade.
Late February	Diplomas available for students who graduated in December 2025.

Spring 2026 (Full and First 8 Weeks) Detailed Semester Calendar

March	
March 3	Third deferred payment due by 11:59 p.m. via NEIUport .
March 13	Last day to drop a course from the Full Spring Session and receive a 25% refund of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses). No refund of tuition and fees starting March 14.
March 14	Last day of classes for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session.
	First 8 Weeks Spring Session ends.
	No refund/credit period of tuition and fees for the Full Spring Session begins and continues through April 10.
March 16-22	Spring Break. No classes.
March 23	First 8 Weeks Spring Grades due at 11:59 p.m.
March 24	First 8 Weeks Spring Session grades available via NEIUport . Grades will not be mailed.
April	
April 8	Fourth and final deferred payment due by 11:59 p.m. via NEIUport .
April 10	Last day to drop a class from the Full Spring Session and receive a "W" (withdrawn) grade.
April 11	Deadline for graduate students to remove incompletes and submit comprehensive examination results, project, or portfolios, with all approval pages, to the Graduate Records Office for May Graduation.
April 15	Late fees will be assessed and an accounts receivable hold will be applied to accounts with past due balances.
April 25	Deadline for master's students completing a thesis to submit the thesis electronically to the College of Graduate Studies and Research.
May	
May 11	Last day of classes for the Full Spring Session.
May 12-14	Finals for Weekday classes for the Full Spring Session. Refer to the Final Examinations Schedule page on the NEIU website for further information.
May 15	Finals for Friday-only classes for the Full Spring Session.
	Commencement
May 16	Finals for Saturday-only classes for the Full Spring Session.
	Full Spring Session semester ends.
May 17	Grades due at 11:59 p.m.
May 18	Full Spring Session grades available via NEIUport . Grades will not be mailed.
	Semester break begins and continues through May 24.