

Date	Registration/Other Important Events
October 2026	
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 12	Advance Registration begins and continues through October 23.
	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 13	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for students in a graduate-level certificate program.
October 14	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 16	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 19	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 21	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 23	Registration begins at 9 a.m. for Students-at-Large (SAL).
	Advance Registration ends.
October 24	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 2026	
November 3	Election Day Holiday. University Closed.
November 26-29	Thanksgiving Holiday-University Closed/ No Classes
December 2026	
December 14	Deadline to submit a Student-at-Large admission application for the Full and First 8 Weeks Spring Sessions.
December 18	Winter Session Begins
January 2027	
January 8	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 2027 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 15	Waitlists end at 3:00 p.m.
January 18	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday Holiday. University closed.
January 19	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 25 for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session. DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL WILL BE REQUIRED.
January 23	Saturday classes begin.
January 25	Open Registration ends for the Full Spring Session.
	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 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 26	Change of Registration begins and continues through February 1 for the Full Spring Session. DEPARTMENTAL APPROVAL WILL BE REQUIRED.
	50% tuition and fees reversal/credit period begins and continues through January 31 for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session.
January 31	Last day to withdraw from a course in the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and receive a 50% reversal of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses).
February 2027	
February 1	25% tuition and fees reversal/credit period begins and continues through February 7 for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session.
	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 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 2	50% tuition and fees refund/credit period begins and continues through February 12 for the Full Spring Session.
February 7	Last day to withdraw from a course in the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and receive a 25% reversal of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses). No reversal of tuition and fees begins February 8.
February 8	No reversal/credit period of tuition and fees for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session begins and continues through February 19.
February 12	Lincoln's Birthday – University Closed/No classes.
	Last day to withdraw from a course in the Full Spring Session and receive a 50% reversal of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses).
February 13	25% tuition and fees reversal/credit period begins and continues through February 26 for the Full Spring Session.
February 19	Last day to withdraw from a class for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session and receive a "W" (withdrawn) grade.
February 26	Last day to drop a course in the Full Spring Session and receive a 25% reversal of tuition and fees (less \$10 withdrawal fee for students withdrawing from all courses). No reversal period begins February 27.
February 27	No reversal/credit period of tuition and fees for the Full Spring Session begins and continues through March 26.
Late February	Diplomas available for students who graduated in December 2026.
March 2027	
March 13	Last day of classes for the First 8 Weeks Spring Session.

Spring 2027 (Full and First 8 Weeks) Detailed Semester Calendar

March 15-21	Spring Break. No classes.
March 22	First 8 Weeks Spring Grades due at 11:59 p.m.
March 23	First 8 Weeks Spring Session grades available via NEIUport . Grades will not be mailed.
March 26	Last day to withdraw from a class in the Full Spring Session and receive a "W" (withdrawn) grade.
April 2027	
April 9	Deadline for master's students completing a thesis to submit the thesis electronically to the College of Graduate Studies and Research.
April 10	Deadline for graduate students to remove incompletes and submit comprehensive examination results, project or portfolios, with all approval pages, to Graduate Records.
May 2027	
May 10	Last day of classes for the Full Spring Session.
May 11-13	Finals for Weekday classes for the Full Spring Session. Refer to the Final Examinations Schedule page on the NEIU website for further information.
May 14	Finals for Friday-only classes for the Full Spring Session.
	Commencement
May 15	Finals for Saturday-only classes for the Full Spring Session.
	Full Spring Session semester ends.
May 16	Grades due at 11:59 p.m.
May 17	Full Spring Session grades available via NEIUport . Grades will not be mailed.
	Semester break begins and continues through May 23.