

Academic Year 2016 ~ 2017

Calendars are subject to change. Dates and events are added or changed as information becomes available.

Item	Fall – 2016	Spring - 2017	Summer - 2017	
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Course offerings open for viewing	Feb 22	Sep 25	Jan 23	Jan 23
Registration begins*	Mar 14	Oct 10	Feb 6	Feb 6
Advising Days	Sep 1 – 2	Jan 5 – 6	N/A	N/A
One- Stop Convenience Center	Aug 29 – Sep 9	Jan 9 - 11	N/A	N/A
Classes begin	Sep 6	Jan 9	May 8	June 29
Tuition and fees due	Aug 30	Jan 9	May 8	June 29
Last day to drop/add classes	Sep 12	Jan 13	May 12	July 6
Census	Sep 13	Jan 17	May 15	July 7
\$100 Late Add fee begins	Sep 14	Jan 18	May 16	July 8
Begin recording withdraws as "W" on transcript	Sep 14	Jan 18	May 16	July 8
Last day to withdraw from classes	Nov 7	Mar 20	June 5	July 24
Final Exam Week	Dec 12 – 16	Apr 24 – 28	N/A	N/A
Semester Ends	Dec 17	Apr 29	June 28	Aug 18
Refunds				
Last day to receive 100% refund	Sep 12	Jan 13	May 12	July 6
Last day to receive 90% refund for a complete withdrawal	Sep 15	Jan 19	N/A	N/A
Last day to receive 50% refund for a partial withdrawal	Sep 19	Jan 23	N/A	N/A
Last day to receive a 50% refund for a complete withdrawal	Sep 30	Feb 6	May 19	July 11
Last day to receive a 25% refund for a complete withdrawal	Oct 26	Mar 3	June 2	July 24
Grades				
First work grades due	Sep 26	Feb 13	N/A	N/A
Midterm grades due	Oct 24	Mar 13	N/A	N/A
Final grades due**	Dec 20	May 2	July 5	Aug 22
Graduation				
Last day to apply for graduation	Aug 1	Dec 1	Feb 1	Feb 1
Commencement	Dec 17	Apr 29	June 24	N/A
Holidays and Recesses				
Labor Day	Sep 5			
Thanksgiving (begins at noon)	Nov 23			
Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day recess, convocation and activities		Jan 16		
Spirit Day		Mar 3		
Spring Break		Mar 6 – 10		
Memorial Day			May 29	
Independence day recess				Jul 4

- * WMU uses a priority registration system. See <http://www.wmich.edu/registrar/calendars/index.html>
- ** Grades may be viewed online through the students GoWMU account after 5 PM on the due date.

Western Michigan University operates on a split trimester calendar. Fall and Spring semesters are each fifteen (15) weeks. Summer I and Summer II sessions are each seven and one-half (7 1/2) weeks.

Adding classes late

Approval to add a course after the drop/add period must be obtained from the instructor. A \$100 late fee will be assessed per course if at least one course has not been registered prior to the end of the drop/add period.

Drop

During open registration students may drop one or more courses for 100% refund and the record of the class will not show on their transcript. Beginning the day after registration closes, students may no longer drop a course. Students now must "withdraw" to officially stop taking a course.

Partial withdrawal

A partial withdrawal means withdrawing from one or more courses but NOT the entire schedule. A "W" appears on the transcript for each course withdrawn. A "W" does not affect the grade point average.

Complete withdrawal

A complete withdrawal means withdrawing from all courses for the rest of the term. A "W" appears on the transcript for each course withdrawn. A "W" does not affect the grade point average.

Exception

If a class does not meet for the first time until after the last day to register then the student has a 24-hour grace period to drop the course for a full 100% refund. After that, a student must withdraw to officially stop taking the course.

Caution

Depending on the dates, students may receive a partial refund of tuition; however, even if they haven't paid anything they, are still financially responsible for their tuition.