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MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 7, 2025

TO: Chancellor's Cabinet
Provost's Council
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Lindsey Chadwell, University Registrar
Marian Bruce, Director, Faculty Services

FROM: Denise Runge, Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

RE: Academic Calendar for Academic Year 2026

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Denise Runge
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Please be advised that the academic calendar for Academic Year 2026 is in coordination with the [UA Common Calendar](#) dates set by UA Statewide.

Fall 2025

Fall faculty contracts begin	August 10
Instruction begins	August 25
Labor Day Holiday – No class	September 1
Last day to add/drop classes or change to audit	September 5
Last day for student- and faculty-initiated withdrawals	October 31
Non-teaching day – No classes	November 26
Fall Holiday – No classes	November 27-30
Last day of instruction	December 6
Fall semester finals	December 8-13
Graduate hooding ceremony	December 13
Fall Commencement	December 14
Grades due	December 17
Winter Holiday (University Closure)	December 25-26
Winter Break (University Closure)	December 29-31
New Year's (University Closure)	January 1-2

Spring 2026

Instruction begins	January 12, 2026
Alaska Civil Rights Day and Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No class	January 19
Last day to add/drop classes or change to audit	January 23
Spring Break week – No classes	March 9-13
University Holiday – Spring Recess, UAA Closed	March 13
Last day for student- and faculty-initiated withdrawals	March 27
Last day of instruction	April 27
Spring semester finals	April 28-May 2
Graduate hooding ceremony	May 2
Spring Commencement	May 3
Grades due	May 6
Faculty contracts end	May 9

Summer 2026

Faculty contracts begin	*
10-Week and 1 st 5-Week Summer Session instruction begins	May 18
Memorial Day Holiday- No class day for 10- and 1 st 5-Week Sessions	May 25
1 st 5-Week Session – Last day to add/drop classes or change to audit	May 26
1 st 5-Week Session – Last day for student- and faculty-initiated withdrawals	June 5
1 st 5-Week Session ends	June 22
Grades due for 1 st 5-Week Session	June 25
2 nd 5-Week Session begins	June 25
2 nd 5-Week Session – Last day to add/drop classes or change to audit	July 2
July 4 th Holiday- No class day for 10- and 2 nd 5-Week Sessions	July 3-6
10-Week and 2 nd 5-Week Session – Last day for student- and faculty-initiated withdrawals	July 10
10-Week and 2 nd 5-Week Summer Session instruction ends	August 1
Grades due for 10- and 2 nd 5-Week Session	August 5
Faculty contracts end	*

* In March 2025 UA HR will publish the Summer 2026 faculty contract start and end dates. Academic Affairs will update the AY2026 Academic Calendar to reflect those dates, once they are set.