



Academic Calendar 2020 – 2021

Note: This calendar lists academic related activities. Check the university calendar for university events and university closures.

FALL SEMESTER 2020

August 1

Last day for all students to clear:

Health: Proof of immunization

Academic: Paperwork completed for academic sanctions.

Fiscal: Payment of Fall 2020 tuition, fees, room and board.

Student class schedules purged and housing assignments cancelled if holds are not satisfied.

Web registration via myDU closes at 5:00pm.

August 3

Web registration via myDU reopens for students who are fiscally cleared and late fees assessed for continuing students registering late.

August 10 – 11

Faculty and Staff Institute

August 12

Residence halls open for new, transfer, and readmit students with fiscal, health and academic clearance.

August 13 - 17

Scholarship, Opportunity, Accountability, and Responsibility (SOAR). SOAR is mandatory for all new students.

Kearny Dining Hall opens for new, transfer, and readmit students (SOAR feeding schedule).

August 15

Residence halls open at 9:00am for continuing students with fiscal, health, and academic clearance.



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August 15 – 16	Welcome Weekend.
August 17	First-year student day of service. Faculty professional development activities.
August 18	Freshman Convocation. First-year student class prep day.
August 19	Classes begin.
August 20	Last day to admit students for the Fall 2020 semester.
August 25	Late registration ends. Last day to add a course. myDU closes at 5:00pm. Student class schedules and housing arrangements purged if holds are not satisfied. Last day for faculty to submit change of “I” grades for Spring 2020 and Summer Session 2020. If not submitted, grade becomes an “F”.
September 1	Official class rosters due on myDU.
September 7	Labor Day holiday. No classes. University closed.
September 8	Classes resume. Enrollment census. Last day to drop a class without receiving a “W”.



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September 14 - 18	Assessment week. CIRP, Verbal Assessment and ETS Proficiency Exam administered.
September 17	Constitution Day.
September 21 – 25	Early alert (5 th week assessment of student progress).
September 27	Summer 2020 community service hours due in University Chaplain office.
October 3 - 8	Mid-term examinations.
October 9	Fall Break. No classes.
October 12	Classes resume. Academic advising begins for Spring 2021. Graduation application filing begins for Spring 2022 and Summer 2022 prospective graduates.
October 13	Mid-term grades due 12:00pm.
October 15	Annual Majors Fair.
October 18	Founders' Day Convocation.
November 3	Last day to withdraw from courses and the University with "W" grade.
November 4	Spring 2021 registration begins (myDU opens).
November 16 – 20	Student evaluation of instruction.
November 25 - 27	Thanksgiving break. No classes.



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December 4

Last day of classes.

Last day to withdraw from courses and the University with “WF” grade.

Fall 2020 community service hours are due in University Chaplain office.

Life After Dillard requirements are due in Career and Professional Development office for Fall 2020 degree conferral.

December 5 – 11

Final examinations.

Students must vacate residence halls 24 hours after last final exam.

December 12

Residence halls close (12:00pm).

Kearny Dining Hall closes.

December 15

Final grades due (12:00pm).

Last day for students to remove holds for Spring 2021.

Web registration closes.

Degree conferral for Fall 2020 graduates.

December 16 - 17

Institutional effectiveness and assessment meetings and submissions for faculty.



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SPRING SEMESTER 2021

January 4

Web registration via myDU reopens for students who are fiscally cleared. Late fees assessed for continue students registering late.

Last day for students to clear fiscal registration hold.

Student class schedules purged if holds are not satisfied.

January 8

Scholarship, Opportunity, Accountability, and Responsibility (SOAR). SOAR is mandatory for new students.

Check-in for new, transfer, and readmit students.

Residence halls and Kearny Dining Hall open for new, readmit, and transfer students with health, academic, and fiscal clearance:

Health: Proof of immunization.

Academic: Paperwork completed for academic sanctions.

Fiscal: Payment of Spring 2021 tuition, fees, room and board.

Residence halls open at 9:00am for continuing students with fiscal, health, and academic clearance.

Web registration (via myDU) ends at 5:00pm.

January 11

Classes begin.

Last day to admit students for the Spring 2021 semester.



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January 15

Late registration ends.

myDU closes at 5:00pm.

Last day to add a course.

Schedules and housing assignments purged if holds are not satisfied.

Last day for faculty to submit change of “I” grades. If not submitted, grade becomes an “F”.

January 18

Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. No classes. University closed.

January 19

Classes resume.

January 19- 20

Official attendance rosters administered in class by faculty.

January 22

Official attendance rosters due in Records and Registration office.

January 29

Last day for Spring 2021/Summer 2021 graduating seniors to apply for graduation.

Last day to drop a class without receiving a “W”.

Enrollment census.

February 8 - 12

Early alert (5th week assessment of student progress).

February 15 – 16

Mardi Gras break. University closed.

February 17

Classes resume.

February 22 - 26

Mid-term Examinations.



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March 1	Midterm grades due at 12:00pm.
March 8	Academic Advising begins for Summer 2021/Fall 2021. Graduation application filing begins for Fall 2021 prospective graduates.
March 15 – 19	Assessment Week (Writing Proficiency and other exams administered).
March 22	Summer 2021/Fall 2021 registration begins.
March 23	Honors Convocation. Last day for graduating seniors to withdraw from course with “W” grade or to officially withdraw from the University.
April 1	Annual Undergraduate Research and Creative Work Competition.
March 29 - April 4	Spring Break. No classes. University open.
April 5	Classes resume.
April 8	Annual Faculty and Staff Teaching, Learning, and Research Symposium.
April 12 - 16	Student evaluation of instruction.
April 19	Last day of class for graduating seniors. Last day for continuing students to withdraw from courses and the University with “W” grade.
April 20 - 23	Final examinations for graduating seniors.



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April 23	Graduating seniors must satisfy all financial obligations by 5:00pm.
April 26	Graduating senior grades due at 12:00pm. Graduating senior community service hours due in the University Chaplain office. Life After Dillard requirements due in Career and Professional Development office for Spring 2021 degree conferral.
April 27	Last day of classes for continuing students. Last day to withdraw from courses and the university with “WF” grade.
April 28 – May 5	Final examinations for continuing students. Continuing students must vacate residence halls 24 hours after last final exam unless participating in commencement activities.
May 3	Spring community service hours due in University Chaplain office.
May 6	Residence halls close at 12:00pm for continuing students.
May 7	Baccalaureate, 6:00pm, Avenue of the Oaks.
May 8	Commencement, 8:00am, Avenue of the Oaks. Residence halls close for graduating seniors at 8:00pm.
May 10	Final grades due for continuing students at 12:00pm.



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May 11 – 13

Institutional effectiveness and assessment meetings and submissions for faculty.

SUMMER SESSION 2021

MAY 27 - 28

Scholarship, Opportunity, Accountability, and Responsibility (SOAR) begins. SOAR is mandatory for all new students.

Check-in for new, transfer, and readmit students.

Residence halls open at 9:00am for new, transfer, and readmit students with fiscal, health, and academic clearance:

Health: Proof of immunization.

Academic: Paperwork completed for academic sanctions.

Fiscal: Payment of Summer 2021 tuition, fees, room and board.

Kearny Dining Hall opens.

May 28

Last day to admit students for Summer 2021.

Residence halls open at 9:00am for continuing students with fiscal, health, and academic clearance.

Last day for students to satisfy payment of summer tuition.

Web registration (via myDU) ends at 5:00pm.

May 31

Memorial Day holiday. University closed.

June 1

Classes begin.

Late registration begins (via myDU).



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June 2

Late registration fee assessed for new and continuing students.

Late registration ends.

myDU closes at 5:00pm.

Last day to Add/Drop a course without receiving a “W” on the transcript.

Schedules purged if holds are not satisfied.

June 4

Official attendance rosters administered by faculty in class.

June 7

Official attendance rosters due in Records and Registration office.

June 8

Enrollment census.

June 22

Last day to withdraw from courses with “W” grade or to officially withdraw from the University.

June 29

Last day to withdraw from course(s) and the University with “WF” grade.

Last day of classes.

June 30 – July 1

Final examinations.

July 2

Residence hall close at 12:00 pm.

Kearny Dining Hall closes at 12:00 pm.

July 6

Final grades due in Records and Registration office.

July 7

Degree conferral for Summer 2021 graduates.