

WINONA STATE UNIVERSITY
FALL 2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR
Monday, August 24, 2026 – Thursday, December 10, 2026
Commencement -- December 11, 2026

FALL 2026

AUGUST							SEPTEMBER							OCTOBER							NOVEMBER							DECEMBER								
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- March Incoming Student Registraton Friday, March 20 & 27, 2026
- Fall 2026 General Registration Opens for WSU Students Monday, April 6, 2026**
- First day to apply for Fall 2026 Graduation Monday, April 7, 2026
- May Incoming Student Registration Thursday, May 14, 2026
- June Incoming Student Registration Tues/Wed, June 16-17, 2026
- July Incoming Student Registration Friday, July 17, 2026
- *Minnesota State Primary Election (No university activities 6 pm – 8 pm) Tuesday, August 11, 2026
- August Incoming Student Registration Thursday, August 20, 2026
- Fall 2026 Orientation Days Wed-Sat, August 19-22, 2026
- Fall 2026 Classes Begin Monday, August 24, 2026**
- Online Wait-listing for Course Registration Ends Wednesday, August 26, 2026
- Last day to drop Fall 2026 courses with 100% tuition refund Friday, August 28, 2026**
- Last day to add courses without instructor approval (Registration Overrides required after this date) Friday, August 28, 2026
- Last day to apply for Arranged Courses or Independent Studies Friday, August 28, 2026
- Registration Cancellation/Drop for Non-Payment: Students must pay or have made arrangements to pay**
- Fall 2026 tuition by the end of business day (4:30 P.M.) Friday, August 28, 2026**
- Last day to submit Registration Overrides Thursday, September 3, 2026**
- Financial Aid Disbursement Friday, September 4, 2026
- Labor Day Holiday (no classes/offices closed) **Monday, September 7, 2026**
- University Improvement Day – Non-Class Faculty Duty Day (Classes meeting before 3:30 p.m. are cancelled.
Labs and classes meeting once per week meet as scheduled/offices open.) **Tuesday, September 29, 2026**
- Midterm Friday, October 16, 2026**
- Last day to clear incompletes (I) from Winter Session 2026, Spring 2026 & Summer 2026 courses Friday, October 16, 2026
- Last day to submit Application for Graduation for Fall 2026 and appear in commencement
publications – approved late applicants may still participate in Commencement Friday, October 16, 2026
- General Registration for Spring 2027 Opens for WSU Students Monday, November 2, 2026**
- General Registration for Summer 2027 Opens for WSU Students Monday, November 2, 2026**
- General Registration for Winter Session 2026-2027 Opens for WSU Students Monday, November 2, 2026**
- First day to apply for Spring 2027 and Summer 2027 Graduation Monday, November 2, 2026
- *General Election Day (No university activities 6 pm – 8 pm) Tuesday, November 3, 2026
- Veterans' Day Holiday Observed (no classes/offices closed) **Wednesday, November 11, 2026**
- Last Day to Change Grading Method on Full Term Courses Thursday, November 19, 2026
- Withdrawing from Fall 2026 courses:** Withdrawal deadlines are set at 80% of the way through each listed course. Withdrawal dates are posted online in the course information per section. Withdrawals are noted on the transcript with a **W**.
- Student Fall Break Day (no classes/offices open) **Wednesday, November 25, 2026**
- Thanksgiving Holiday (no classes/offices closed) **Thurs-Fri, November 26 - 27, 2026**
- Final Examinations Mon-Thurs, December 7 - 10, 2026
- Last Day of the Term Thursday, December 10, 2026
- Fall 2026 Commencement Friday, December 11, 2026**
- Grading Period Fri-Wed, December 11 - 16, 2026
- Grades Due, 12:00 noon **Wednesday, December 16, 2026**

The University calendar is subject to modification or interruption due to occurrences such as fire, flood, labor disputes, service interruption, natural disaster, civil disorder, war, and changes in MinnState Board or WSU Policy. In the event of such occurrences, the University will attempt to accommodate its students. It does not, however, guarantee that courses of instruction, extra curricular activities or other University programs or events will be completed or rescheduled. Refunds will be made to eligible students in accordance with our governing board's policy.

*Excerpt: **204C.03 Public meetings prohibited on election day.** Subd. 2. **State colleges and universities.** Except for regularly scheduled classes, no Minnesota state college or university shall schedule an event between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on the day that an election is held in any political subdivision in which the university or college is located. Revised 2025 *by the Office of Revisor of Statutes, State of Minnesota.*