

Fall Semester 2018

Date	Description
July 1	Deadline for domestic applicants to apply for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus for Fall semester
August 1	Deadline for domestic and international applicants to apply for Distance degree programs for Fall semester
August 15-17	Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshop and Classroom Certification
August 21	Deadline for Fall Unclassified applications: International for Distance only; domestic for all campuses - 11:59 PM (CST)
August 22	Classes begin
August 27- Oct 19	Apply via MyState for December graduation - \$50 fee
August 28	Last day to drop a class without a grade (5th class day) - 5:00 PM
August 29	Last day to register or to add a course (6th class day) - 8:00 AM
September 3	Labor Day Holiday - no classes scheduled
October 1	Deadline for international applicants to apply to degree programs or Unclassified on Starkville or Meridian campus for Spring semester
October 1- December 31	TAGGS online application for January 1-June 30, 2018 travel period
October 11-12	Fall Break - no classes scheduled (subject to change)
October 15	Midpoint of semester and Last day to drop a course with a W grade (36th class day) - 5:00 PM
October 15-26	Faculty advising for pre-registration (Some departments begin earlier)
October 19	Last day to apply via MyState for December graduation - \$50 fee
October 20- December 5	Late application via MyState for December graduation - \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee
October 22	Last day for thesis/dissertation defense or non-thesis comprehensive examination for December graduation
October 26	Last day for initial submission of thesis/dissertation to the Library for December graduation
October 29	Last day for department to submit signed examination/defense results to the Graduate School for December graduation
October 29- November 9	Spring pre-registration
November 1	Last day for doctoral preliminary/comprehensive examination for May graduation
November 1	Last day for domestic applicants to apply for degree programs on Starkville or Meridian campus for Spring semester
November 15-16	3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition
November 16	Last day to withdraw from the University (10 days of class remaining)
November 16	Last day to submit Library-approved thesis/dissertation to Library for December graduation
November 21-23	Thanksgiving Holiday - no classes scheduled

Date	Description
November 26	Classes resume
December 1	Deadline for domestic/international applicants to apply for Distance program for Spring Semester
December 5	Deadline for graduate students receiving incomplete grade in previous semester to submit required coursework
December 5	Last day for late application via Mystate for December graduation - \$50 fee plus \$100 late fee
December 5	Classes end
December 6	Reading Day (No mandatory class assignments, requirements, meetings)
December 7-13	Final examinations
December 8	Make-up Day (if needed)
December 13 11:00 AM	<u>MSU-Meridian Commencement:</u> MSU Riley Center
December 14	Last day for December 2018 degree applicants to pay account balance - 3:00 PM
December 14 9:30 AM 3:30 PM	<u>Starkville Campus Commencements:</u> Colleges of Architecture, Art & Design; Arts & Sciences; Education <i>Procession of candidates begins at 9:00 AM</i> Colleges of Agriculture & Life Sciences; Business; Engineering; Forest Resources; Veterinary Medicine (M.S. & Ph.D. only) <i>Procession of candidates begins at 3:00 PM</i>
December 17	Final grades due 10:00 AM
December 17	10:00 AM - Deadline to pass thesis/dissertation defense after all other requirements are met except thesis/dissertation submission to Library, allowing student to request override to enroll in GRD 9010 in Spring semester and apply for May graduation
December 21- January 1	Winter Holidays