

PERKINS ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL 2026

AUGUST

- 5, Wednesday:** Intern Program Intern Orientation (online), 9:00 a.m. to noon
5, Wednesday: Intern Program On-Site Committee Orientation (online), 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.
6, Thursday: Intern Program CPE Orientation (online), 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.
17, Monday: First day of Internships
20-21, Thursday-Friday: New Student Orientation
20-21, Thursday-Friday: Late registration, 215 Kirby Hall, Registrar's Office
21, Friday: Last day to cancel enrollment and withdraw from all classes without any tuition charge
24, Monday: First day of classes.
28, Friday: Last day to register, add courses or drop a course without grade record or tuition billing

SEPTEMBER

- 4, Friday:** Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University without academic record
7, Monday: Labor Day – University holiday (offices closed)
9, Wednesday: Last day to file for December graduation (Fall Census Date)
11, Friday: Faculty conference
14, Monday: Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
18, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.
TBD: Roy D. Barton Lecture

OCTOBER

- 5, Monday:** Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
12-13, Monday-Tuesday: Perkins fall break
16, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.
26, Monday: Faculty as Guild, 9:30 a.m.

NOVEMBER

- 2, Monday:** Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
2-20, Monday-Friday: Advance registration for Hybrid/Online and Houston Spring term and Interterm
6, Friday: Last day to drop a class for Fall term
7-20, Saturday-Friday: Advance registration for all Perkins Spring term and January Interterm
13-14, Friday-Saturday: Homecoming Weekend
TBD: Perkins Fall Convocation
20, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.
24, Tuesday: Last day to withdraw from the University
24-25, Tuesday-Wednesday: Perkins Thanksgiving recess (no classes)
26-27, Thursday-Friday: Thanksgiving holiday – University holidays (no classes and offices closed)

DECEMBER

- 1, Tuesday:** Advent worship service, 6:00 p.m.
7, Monday: Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
7, Monday: Last Day of MAM Internships
8, Tuesday: Last day of classes
9, Wednesday: Reading and writing period
9, Wednesday: Last day for submission of all written work, 5:00 p.m.
10-16, Thursday-Wednesday: Final examinations
17, Thursday: Grades must be posted by noon
18, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.
19, Saturday: Official close of term and conferral of degrees
23-Jan 1: Winter break – University holidays (offices closed)

INTERTERM 2027

JANUARY

- 1, Friday:** New Year's Day observed – University holiday (offices closed)
4, Monday: Last day to enroll, add a course, or drop a course without academic record (tuition charges apply). Last day to withdraw from the term without academic record (withdrawal refund schedule applies)
4-15, Monday-Friday: Perkins January Interterm for masters and doctoral programs
TBD: Perkins School of Youth Ministry
14, Thursday: Last day to drop a class or withdraw from the University for January Interterm
15, Friday: Last day of classes, including examinations
18, Monday: Grades must be posted by noon

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SPRING 2027

JANUARY

- 14-15, Thursday–Friday:** New Student Orientation
18, Monday: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – University holiday (offices closed)
18, Monday: Last day to cancel enrollment and withdraw from all classes without any tuition charge
19, Tuesday: First day of classes.
22, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.
25, Monday: Last day to add courses or drop a course without grade record or tuition billing
25, Monday: Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.

FEBRUARY

- 1, Monday:** Last day to drop a course or withdraw from the University without academic record
3, Wednesday: Last day to file for May graduation
19, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.

MARCH

- 1, Monday:** Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
12, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.
15-21, Monday–Sunday: Perkins and SMU Spring Break
25, Thursday: Easter Recess (no classes)
26, Friday: Good Friday – University holiday (no classes and offices closed)
TBD: Perkins Summit for Faith and Learning

APRIL

- 5-23, Monday–Friday:** Advance registration for Hybrid, Summer and Fall terms
5, Monday: Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
8, Thursday: Last day to drop a class for Spring term
10-23, Saturday–Friday: Advance registration for all Summer and Fall terms
12, Monday: Faculty as Guild, 9:30 a.m.
16, Friday: Divisional meetings, 11:30 a.m.
26, Monday: Last day to withdraw from the University

MAY

- 3, Monday:** Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
3, Monday: Last day of Monday classes
3, Monday: Final day of M.Div. Internships
5, Wednesday: Reading and writing period (no classes)
6, Thursday: Last day of Thursday classes
7, Friday: Last of Friday classes
7, Friday: Last day for submission of all written work, 5:00 pm
10-12, Monday–Wednesday: Final examinations
14, Friday: Grades must be posted by noon
15, Saturday: Commencement, **TBD**;
A Celebration of Degrees and Academic Achievements, 2:00 p.m., Highland Park United Methodist Church;
Official close of term and date for conferral of degrees

SUMMER 2027

MAY

- 31, Monday:** Memorial Day – University holiday (offices closed)
31, Monday: Last day to drop courses without grade record for Summer

JUNE

- 1–August 4, Tuesday–Wednesday:** Perkins full summer session (Main Campus and Immersion Courses)
1–12, Monday–Friday: Doctor of Ministry and Doctor of Pastoral Music classes meet (Dallas)
4, Friday: Last day to add courses or drop courses without grade record for Summer (Main Campus and Immersion Courses)
10, Thursday: Last day to file for August graduation

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JULY

5, Monday: Independence Day – University holiday (offices closed)

7, Wednesday: Last day to drop a class

29, Thursday: Last day to withdraw from the University for Summer

TBD: Course of Study School

AUGUST

4, Wednesday: Official close of Summer term and date for conferral of degrees

Tuition and fees payment due dates are set for each term by the [Office of the University Bursar](#).