

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

- 10-11, Sunday-Monday:** New Student Orientation
- 15-16, Thursday-Friday:** Late registration, 211 Kirby Hall, Registrar's Office
- 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
- 29-April 16, Monday-Friday:** Advance registration for Hybrid, Summer and Fall terms

APRIL

- 3-16, Saturday-Friday:** Advance registration for all Summer and Fall terms
- 5, Monday:** Perkins faculty meeting, 9:30 a.m.
- 8, Thursday:** Last day to drop a class for Spring term
- 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)

15, Thursday: 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](#).