

Virginia Theological Seminary 2026-2027 Academic Calendar

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Aug. 8	Masters	Move-in date for students and families living in residence halls and on-campus apartments	Jan. 25	Masters	SPRING SEMESTER BEGINS (8:15 am Opening Eucharist with Academic Procession)
Aug. 10	Masters	DEADLINE: Grades due for Spring Term Incompletes	Jan. 28	Masters	Formation and Colloquy groups begin
Aug. 10-11	Masters	Orientation for International Students	Jan. 31	Masters	First Sunday of CXM for Spring
Aug. 12-14	Masters	Orientation for all Incoming Students	Feb. 2-3	Board of Trustees	Winter Annual Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Aug. 13	All VTS	Opening Community Eucharist and Dinner	Feb. 8	Masters	DEADLINE: Grades due for January Term
Aug. 17	Masters	AUGUST TERM BEGINS	Feb. 8	Masters	DEADLINE: Spring Semester add/drop, pass/fail, credit, or audit
Aug. 21	Masters	DEADLINE: August Term add/drop, pass/fail, credit, or audit	Feb. 10	Masters	Quiet Day (no classes) Ash Wednesday
Aug. 26	Masters	DEADLINE: Registration for Fall Semester and January Term (Entering students)	Feb. 15	All VTS	Presidents Day Holiday (Offices closed, classes meet)
Sept. 3-4	All VTS	Intercultural Competency Training (continuing through Fall Semester)	Mar. 2	Doctoral	DEADLINE: Doctoral Registration for Summer
Sept. 4	Masters	Fees due for Fall Semester	Mar. 8-12	Masters	Spring Break (no CXM March 14)
Sept. 4	Masters	AUGUST TERM ENDS	Mar. 19	Masters	Spring Visit Day
Sept. 8	Masters	FALL SEMESTER BEGINS (8:15 am Opening Eucharist with Academic Procession)	Mar. 22-25	Masters	Advising Week
Sept. 10	Masters	Formation and Colloquy groups begin/First Community Eucharist & Community Dinner	Mar. 26	Masters	DEADLINE: Theses, Honors theses, and summative projects
Sept. 11	Faculty	Faculty meeting (afternoon, followed by dinner) and Descendants Gala	Mar. 26	All VTS	Good Friday (no classes)
Sept. 13	Masters	First Sunday of CXM for Fall	Mar. 28	All VTS	Easter Sunday (CXM)
Sept. TBD	Masters	Washington Theological Consortium: New student prayer service and orientation	Mar. 29	All VTS	Easter Monday (no classes)
Sept. 15	Masters/Doctoral	DEADLINE: Grades due for Summer and August Terms	Mar. 30	Masters	DEADLINE: Last day to withdrawn from a course without "F"
Sept. 23	Masters	DEADLINE: Fall Semester add/drop, pass/fail, credit, or audit		Masters	DEADLINE: Grades due for Fall and January Term Incompletes
Sept. 30	Masters	Quiet Day (no classes)		Doctoral/Masters	Registration opens for Fall Parent Term
Oct. 15-16	Masters	Fall Break (No CXM Oct. 18)	Apr. 5	Doctoral	Doctoral Summer Term online component begins
Oct. 13	All VTS	Convocation (no classes)	Apr. 7-8	All VTS	Dr. MLK, Jr. Commemoration
Oct. 19-23	Masters	Advising Week (no formation group)	Apr. 22	Masters	Final Formation and Colloquy groups
Nov. 3	Masters	DEADLINE: Last Day to Withdraw from Course without "F"	Apr. 25	Masters	Last day of CXM for Spring
Nov. 3	Masters	Registration Opens for Spring Parent Term 2027	Apr. 27	Masters	Day shift: Academic Thursday class schedule (no Tuesday classes held)
Nov. 6	Masters	Fall Visit Day	Apr. 28	Masters	Day Shift: Academic Friday class schedule (no Wednesday classes held)
Nov. 10-11	Board of Trustees	Fall Annual Meeting of Board of Trustees	Apr. 29	Masters	Community Eucharist & Community Dinner; Thesis and Summative Project presentations
Nov. 23-27	All VTS	Thanksgiving Holiday (no classes, no formation groups, no CXM Nov. 29)	Apr. 29-30	Masters	Reading Days
Dec. 1	Masters/Doctoral	DEADLINE: Grades due for Summer and August Term Incompletes	Apr. 30	Masters	DEADLINE: Grades for ALL graduating students due at NOON, All-day faculty meeting
Dec. 11	Masters	Last Day of Classes for fall semester	May 3-4	Masters	Exam Days
Dec. 13	Masters	Last Sunday of CXM for Fall	May 4-5	Board of Trustees	Board of Trustees Spring Annual Meeting at VTS
Dec. 14	Masters	Reading days	May 5	Masters	SPRING SEMESTER ENDS , and Service for the Mission of the Church
Dec. 15-16	Masters	Exam days	May 6	All VTS	COMMENCEMENT WITH ACADEMIC PROCESSION
Dec. 17	Faculty	All-day faculty meeting	May 7	Faculty	All day faculty meeting, followed by dinner
Dec. 18	Masters	FALL SEMESTER ENDS and Christmas Break begins	May 8	Masters	Residence halls close at noon
Jan. 4, 5, 7	Masters	GOE Days	May 31	Masters	Apartment moveout for residents without school-aged children
Jan. 4	Masters	JANUARY TERM BEGINS / Grades due Fall Semester	Jun. 1	Doctoral/Masters	Doctoral registration opens, and DEADLINE: Grades due for Spring Semester
Jan. 4	Masters	DEADLINE: January Term add/drop, pass/fail, credit, or audit (first day of class)	Jun. 15	Masters	Tuition and Student Fees due for Summer 2027
Jan. 4-7	Doctoral	Doctoral Thesis Week	Jun. 14	Doctoral	SUMMER DOCTORAL RESIDENCY BEGINS
Jan. 18	All VTS	Dr. MLK, Jr. Holiday (Offices closed, classes meet)	Jun. 14	Doctoral	DEADLINE: Summer Doctoral residency add/drop, pass/fail, credit, or audit (first day of residency)
Jan. 20-22	Faculty	Faculty Retreat	Jun. 18	All VTS	Juneteenth (Offices closed, morning classes meet)
Jan. 21	Masters	Tuition, Room and Board, and Student Fees due for Spring Semester	Jun. 30	Masters	Apartment moveout for residents with school-aged children
Jan. 22	Masters	JANUARY TERM ENDS	Jul. 2	Doctoral	SUMMER DOCTORAL RESIDENCY ENDS
			Jul. 5	All VTS	Independence Day (observed) (Offices closed)