

FRANKLIN & MARSHALL COLLEGE  
**Official F&M Calendar 2026-2027**

**Fall Semester, 2026 (preliminary dates)**

August	18-20	Tuesday-Thursday	International Student Orientation
August	20	Thursday	College Houses open for First Year Students, 8:30 am
August	20	Thursday	Convocation
August	20-23	Thursday - Sunday	New Student Orientation
August	22	Saturday	College Houses & Theme Houses open for Upper Class Students, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
August	23	Sunday	College Houses & Theme Houses open for Upper Class Students, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
August	24	Monday	Fall semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.
September	7	Monday	Labor Day (classes in session; administrative offices closed for federal holiday)
October	9	Friday	Fall break begins, 4:30 p.m.
October	14	Wednesday	Fall break ends, 8:00 a.m.
October	TBD	Friday - Sunday	True Blue Weekend
November	20	Friday	Thanksgiving recess begins, 4:30 p.m.
November	30	Monday	Thanksgiving recess ends, 8:00 a.m.
December	4	Friday	Fall semester classes end, 4:30 p.m.
December	5-8	Saturday-Tuesday	Reading days
December	8	Tuesday	Winter Graduates Recognition Ceremony
December	9	Wednesday	Final examinations begin
December	13	Sunday	Final examinations end
December	13	Sunday	Winter recess begins
December	14	Monday	College Houses & Theme Houses close; 11 a.m.

**Holidays (classes in session unless noted above)**

September 7	Labor Day	October 31	Halloween
August 26	The Prophet's Birthday	November 11	Veteran's Day
September 12	Rosh Hashana	November 26	Thanksgiving Day
September 21	Yom Kippur	December 5	Chanukah/Hanukkah (first day)
October 2	Last Day of Sukkot	December 12	Last day of Chanukah

October 12

Indigenous Peoples Day

December 25

Christmas

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**Spring Semester, 2027 (preliminary dates)**

January	10	Sunday	College Houses & Theme Houses open, 8:30 a.m.
January	12	Tuesday	Spring semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.
March	12	Friday	Spring recess begins, 4:30 p.m.
March	22	Monday	Spring recess ends, 8:00 a.m.
April	22	Thursday	Spring semester classes end, 6:05 p.m.
April	23-26	Friday-Monday	Reading days
April	27	Tuesday	Final examinations begin
May	1	Saturday	Final examinations end
May	2	Sunday	College Houses & Theme Houses close, 11:00 a.m.
May	8	Saturday	Commencement

**Holidays (classes in session unless noted above)**

January 1	New Year's Day	March 17	St. Patrick's Day
January 6	Isra and Mi'raj	March 26	Good Friday (many regions)
January 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day	March 28	Easter
February 8	First Day of Ramadan	March 29	Easter Monday
February 14	Valentine's Day	April 15	Tax Day
February 15	President's Day (most regions)	April 22	Passover (first day)
March 5	Laylat al-Qadr	April 29	Last Day of Passover
March 10	Eid al-Fitr	May 5	Cinco de Mayo
		June 19	Juneteenth