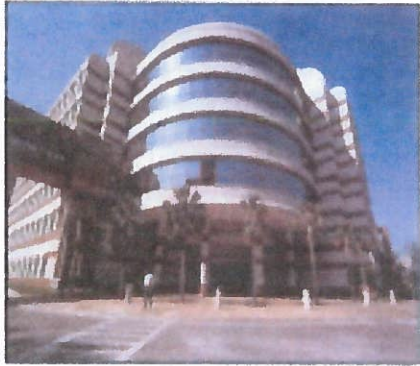




# Academic Calendar Guidelines

# University of Florida Academic Calendar Development Process



- Draft calendars are developed in the O.U.R. using state rules & university guidelines plus historical precedent data
- Draft calendars are first revised and approved by the University Curriculum Committee
- Draft calendars are approved by the UF Faculty Senate

# Rules of the Department of Education Board of Governors

## Chapter 6C-8 Educational Delivery

### 6C-8.001 University Calendars

(1) Each university shall operate under the general provisions described in Rule 6A-10.19, and shall operate on a year-round calendar which provides two hundred twenty (220) days of classroom instruction including examinations, or two hundred ten (210) days of instruction excluding examinations; provided, however, that upon request by the university exceptions to this requirement may be approved by the Board and may include but shall not be limited to such matters as experimentation, innovation, research, energy conservation or more efficient utilization of resources.



Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; History: Amended 6-14-07.

# Rules of the Department of Education Board of Governors

## Chapter 6C-8 Educational Delivery

- (2) Effective August, 1985, the common entry periods shall be:
- (a) The first three (3) weekdays after August 22;
  - (b) The first three (3) weekdays after January 4;
  - (c) The first three (3) weekdays after May 5;
  - (d) Each calendar shall also include the following:

Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; History: Amended 6-14-07.

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- (a) Pre-established dates for issuing either certificates, diplomas, or degrees which will permit students to utilize the entry period which minimizes loss of time to students in completing the transfer between programs of institutions;
- (b) A summer program for teachers, school personnel and other students scheduled to begin no earlier than June 15 and close no later than August 15;
- (c) Additional periods throughout the fiscal year in which a student can begin a program.

Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; History: Amended 6-14-07.

# Rules of the Department of Education Board of Governors

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- (4) An official copy of the annual calendar adopted by each university shall be filed with the Board of Governors in a manner prescribed by the Chancellor.
- (5) Due to its special structuring of terms, New College of Florida is exempted from the Spring term common entry period specified in Rule 6C-6.001(2)(b). The institution is to continue to meet other regulation expectations and to continue to work towards smooth transition for new or transfer students.

Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; History: Amended 6-14-07.

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UF **minimum** instruction days per semester are:

Fall	81 Days
Spring	81 Days
Summer A	29 Days
Summer B	29 Days
Total	220 Days

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Homecoming is scheduled during the month of October at the request of the Faculty Senate. (Unless there are no home football games during October.)



# UF Historical Precedence for Consideration

- Try to Start on Monday
- Housing Prep Time Needed Between Fall & Summer
- Try to Keep 5 Years Advanced Approved
- Avoid Spring Semester starting on Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup> –  
Because of Conflicts with Preview/ Regular Registration