

GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW CENTER
2026–2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR (November 18, 2025)

2026 FALL SEMESTER

Wed., July 22	<i>Tuition due for first-year J.D. students and incoming graduate students</i>
Mon., Aug. 17	<i>Tuition due for all continuing, transfer and visiting students</i>
Mon., Aug. 17	Orientation for incoming J.D. transfer students
Mon., Aug. 17–Fri., Aug. 21	Orientation for first-year J.D. students
Mon., Aug. 17–Fri., Aug. 21	Orientation for incoming graduate students
Mon., Aug. 24	Classes begin for all students
Tues., Sept. 1	Last day to add/drop fall classes
Mon., Sept. 7	LABOR DAY HOLIDAY: <i>No classes meet</i>
Mon., Oct. 12	MID-SEMESTER HOLIDAY: <i>No classes meet</i>
Tues., Oct. 13	<i>Monday classes meet instead of Tuesday classes</i>
Fri., Oct. 16–Fri., Oct. 23	Minicourse/Bookends Take-Home Exams
Thurs., Nov. 5 –Mon., Nov. 16*	Legal Practice Take-Home Exam (Evening Section)*
Fri., Nov. 6–Mon., Nov. 16*	Legal Practice Take-Home Exam (Day Sections)*
Tues., Nov. 24	Last day of classes
Wed., Nov. 25–Sun., Nov. 29	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY: <i>No classes meet</i>
Mon., Nov. 30– Wed., Dec. 2	Rescheduled classes and reading days
Thurs., Dec. 3–Mon., Dec. 14**	Final In-Class and Take-Home Exams; faculty may opt to have an abbreviated window**
Mon., Dec. 14	All papers due unless other due date set by the professor
Tues., Dec. 15 – Fri., Dec. 18	Fall 2026 Exam Deferral dates

2027 SPRING SEMESTER

Mon., Jan. 4	Week One elective mini courses begin <i>Note: If students elect to take a Week One class, mandatory attendance is required at all classes</i> <i>Note: Some clinics may require their students to begin clinic activities this week</i>
Tues., Jan. 5	<i>Spring tuition due for all students</i>
Wed., Jan. 6	Fall 2026 Exam Deferral date (In-Class exams only)
Wed., Jan. 6 – Sat., Jan. 9	Fall 2026 Exam Deferral dates (Take-Home exams only)
Mon., Jan. 11	Regular, semester-long classes begin for all students
Fri., Jan. 15–Fri. Jan. 22	Week One Take-Home Exams
Mon., Jan. 18	MARTIN LUTHER KING HOLIDAY: <i>No classes meet</i>
Tues., Jan. 19	Last day to add/drop spring classes
Mon., Feb 15	PRESIDENTS DAY HOLIDAY: <i>No classes meet</i>
Tues., Feb. 16	<i>Monday classes meet instead of Tuesday classes</i>
Sun., Feb. 28–Sun., Mar. 7	SPRING BREAK: <i>No classes meet</i>
Tue., Mar. 9–Tue., Mar. 16	Minicourse/Bookends Take-Home Exams*
Fri., Mar. 26–Sun., Mar. 28	EASTER BREAK: <i>No classes meet</i>

Thurs., Apr. 1-Mon., Apr. 12 Fri., Apr. 2-Mon., Apr. 12	Legal Practice Take-Home Exam Window (Evening Section)* Legal Practice Take-Home Exam Window (Day Section)*
Wed., Apr. 21	Last day of classes; <i>Friday classes meet instead of Wednesday classes</i>
Thurs., Apr. 22 – Mon., Apr. 26	Rescheduled classes and reading days
Tue., Apr. 27–Tues., May 11** Tues., May 11	Final In-Class and Take-Home Exams; faculty may opt to have an abbreviated window** All papers due unless other due date set by the professor
Wed., May 12-Fri., May 14	Spring 2027 exam deferral dates
Fri., May 21-Sat., May 22	Celebration Days for Graduating Students
Sun., May 23	Commencement ceremony; spring degrees officially conferred June 3, 2027