

BENEDICT COLLEGE

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026-2027

FALL 2026

MONTH	DATE	DAY(S) OF WEEK	EVENT
AUGUST	10-14	Monday-Friday	Welcome Week
AUGUST	10	Monday	Registration and Orientation begin for new students
AUGUST	10	Monday	Registration begins for transfer and readmitted students
AUGUST	10	Monday	Residence Halls open for New Freshmen, Readmit and Transfer Students
AUGUST	12	Wednesday	Faculty Return for the Fall semester
AUGUST	12-14	Wednesday-Friday	Faculty Development Sessions
AUGUST	14	Friday	Registration begins for returning students
AUGUST	14	Friday	Residence Halls open for Returning Students
AUGUST	15	Saturday	Additional Move In Day for Any Residential Community
AUGUST	17	Monday	CLASSES BEGIN FOR ALL STUDENTS (Full Semester: 8/17-12/11; Block I: 8/17-10/9)
AUGUST	27	Thursday	Fall Convocation
AUGUST	28	Friday	Last day to register and add full semester and Block I classes
AUGUST	28	Friday	Last day to drop fall semester and Block I classes without the WC designation
SEPTEMBER	7	Monday	Labor Day Holiday (College is closed)
SEPTEMBER	19	Saturday	Virtual Reading and Instructional Day for full semester and Block I classes
SEPTEMBER	25	Friday	Deadline to apply for December Graduation
OCTOBER	3	Saturday	Virtual Reading and Instructional Day (Review Sessions and Make-up Tests)
OCTOBER	5-9	Monday-Friday	Midterm Examinations for full-semester classes; Final Examinations for Block I classes
OCTOBER	15	Thursday	Deadline to finalize gradebooks for Midterm and Block I courses-11:59 pm
OCTOBER	15	Thursday	Block II Classes Begin (Block II: 10/15-12/11)
OCTOBER	17	Saturday	Homecoming Day (Benedict College vs. Edward Waters University)
OCTOBER	22-23	Thursday-Friday	Fall Break for students and faculty

OCTOBER	26	Monday	Last day to add and drop a Block II class without the WC designation
OCTOBER	27	Tuesday	Early Registration begins for the Spring Semester
OCTOBER	29	Thursday	Fall Research and Presentation Day
NOVEMBER	3	Tuesday	Election Day (College is open)
NOVEMBER	20	Friday	Last day to drop Fall semester and Block II classes with a WC designation
NOVEMBER	20	Friday	Last day to officially withdraw from the College
NOVEMBER	21	Saturday	Virtual Reading and Instructional Day (Review Sessions and Make-up Tests)
NOVEMBER	24	Tuesday	Last day of in-person classes for full semester and Block II classes
NOVEMBER	25-27	Wednesday-Friday	Thanksgiving Holiday (College is closed)
NOVEMBER	30	Monday	Classes resume virtually, but students have the option to stay on campus
DECEMBER	1-4	Monday-Friday	Classes continue virtually, but students have the option to stay on campus
DECEMBER	5	Saturday	Common Final Examinations for designated English and mathematics courses only
DECEMBER	7-11	Monday-Friday	Final Examinations
DECEMBER	11	Friday	End of semester for students; students' access to Canvas is paused
DECEMBER	12	Saturday	Last day for students to leave residence halls (by 12:00 noon)
DECEMBER	14	Monday	Deadline to finalize gradebooks for Fall semester and Block II courses by 12:00 noon
DECEMBER	14-18	Monday-Friday	Faculty Development Sessions begin at 1:30 p.m. on Monday
DECEMBER	17	Thursday	Students' access to Canvas is restored
DECEMBER	18	Friday	Faculty Forum and Clearance
DECEMBER	18	Friday	Holiday Period Begins at 5:00 p.m. (College will be closed December 18, 2026 - January 3, 2027)

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MONTH	DATE	DAY(S) OF WEEK	EVENT
JANUARY	4	Monday	Faculty return: Faculty Development Sessions begin
JANUARY	4-8	Monday-Friday	Faculty Development Sessions
JANUARY	6	Wednesday	Registration begins for new, readmitted, and transfer students
JANUARY	8	Friday	Registration begins for returning students
JANUARY	11	Monday	CLASSES BEGIN FOR ALL STUDENTS (Full Semester: 1/11-5/7; Block I: 1/12-3/5)
JANUARY	18	Monday	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday Holiday (College is closed)
JANUARY	22	Friday	Last day to register for full semester and Block I classes
JANUARY	22	Friday	Last day to drop a full semester or Block I class without the WC designation
FEBRUARY	5	Friday	Deadline to Apply for Spring Graduation
FEBRUARY	26	Friday	Last day to drop a Block I course with a WC designation
FEBRUARY	27	Saturday	Virtual Reading and Instructional Day; academic progress reports, review sessions
MARCH	1-5	Monday-Friday	Midterm Examinations and Block I Final Examinations
MARCH	8-12	Monday-Friday	Spring Break for students and faculty
MARCH	15	Monday	Block II Classes Begin (Block II: 3/15-5/7)
MARCH	15	Monday	Deadline to finalize gradebooks for midterm and final grades for Block I classes-11:59 pm
MARCH	18	Thursday	Founder's Day Convocation
MARCH	22	Monday	Last day to withdraw from or drop a Block II class without a WC designation
MARCH	22	Monday	Early Registration begins for the fall semester
MARCH	25	Thursday	Spring Student Research and Presentation Day
MARCH	26	Friday	Good Friday Holiday (College is closed)
APRIL	10	Saturday	Virtual Reading and Instructional Day; academic progress reports, review sessions
APRIL	23	Friday	Last day to withdraw from or drop a full semester or Block II class with a WC designation

APRIL	23	Friday	Last day to officially withdraw from the College
APRIL	26-28	Monday-Wednesday	Final Examinations for prospective Spring graduates
APRIL	29	Thursday	Last day of full-semester and Block II classes
APRIL	30	Friday	Deadline to finalize gradebooks for exporting grades for prospective spring graduates
APRIL	30	Friday	Common Final Examinations for English and mathematics classes
MAY	1	Saturday	Final Common Examinations for Selected English and Mathematics Classes
MAY	3-6	Monday-Thursday	Final Examinations
MAY	5	Wednesday	Commencement Rehearsal-Charlie W. Johnson Stadium - 9:00 am
MAY	5	Wednesday	Baccalaureate Services and Honors Program Capstone Ceremony - 3:00 p.m.
MAY	6	Thursday	Students' access to Canvas is paused
MAY	7	Friday	Spring Commencement Convocation-Charlie W. Johnson Stadium - 7:00 p.m.
MAY	10	Monday	Deadline to finalize gradebooks for exporting grades by 11:59 p.m.
MAY	11-14	Tuesday-Friday	Faculty Development Days
MAY	14	Friday	Students' access to Canvas is restored
MAY	14	Friday	Faculty Forum/Clearance

UNDERGRADUATE SUMMER SESSION 2027

Virtual Classes Only: Mondays-Thursdays; Fridays are instructional days.

MONTH	DATE	DAY(S) OF WEEK	EVENT
JUNE	18	Friday	Juneteenth Holiday Celebrated (College is closed)
JUNE	21	Monday	Classes Begin
JUNE	25	Friday	Last day to register
JUNE	25	Friday	Last day to drop a course without the WC designation
JUNE	26	Saturday	Virtual Instructional Day (Review Sessions and Academic Progress Reports)
JULY	5	Monday	Independence Day Holiday Observed (College is closed)
JULY	10	Saturday	Virtual Instructional and Reading Day-review sessions for the final examinations
JULY	16	Friday	Virtual Instructional and Reading Day-revie
JULY	16	Friday	Last day to officially withdraw from the College
JULY	19	Monday	Last day of classes
JULY	20	Tuesday	Final Examinations
JULY	22	Thursday	Deadline to finalize gradebooks for Summer classes by 11:59 p.m.

GRADUATE SCHOOL SUMMER SESSION I 2027

MONTH	DATE	DAY(S) OF WEEK	EVENT
MAY	24	Monday	GRADUATE SCHOOL SUMMER SESSION I CLASSES BEGIN
MAY	31	Monday	Memorial Day Holiday (College is closed)
JUNE	1	Tuesday	Last day to register and add classes
JUNE	1	Tuesday	Last day to drop a class without the WC designation
	12	Saturday	Virtual Instruction and make-up day; review sessions
JUNE	14	Monday	Last day to drop a class and receive the WC designation
JUNE	17	Thursday	Last day of Graduate Summer Session I classes
JUNE	18	Friday	Juneteenth Holiday Celebrated (College is closed)
JUNE	21	Monday	Final Examinations
JUNE	23	Wednesday	Deadline for faculty to finalize gradebooks for Summer Session I Graduate classes by 11:59 p.m.

GRADUATE SCHOOL SUMMER SESSION II 2027			
MONTH	DATE	DAY(S) OF WEEK	EVENT
JUNE	17	Thursday	Online registration for Graduate Summer Session II classes
JUNE	22	Tuesday	GRADUATE SCHOOL SUMMER SESSION II CLASSES BEGIN
JUNE	25	Friday	Last day to register and add classes
JUNE	25	Friday	Last day to drop a class without the WC designation
JULY			
JULY	4	Sunday	Independence Day Holiday
JULY	5	Monday	Independence Holiday Observed (College is closed)
JULY	10	Saturday	Virtual Instruction and make-up day; review sessions
JULY	16	Friday	Last day to drop a class and receive the WC designation
JULY	16	Friday	Last day to officially withdraw from the College
JULY	19	Monday	Last day of Graduate Summer Session II classes
JULY	20	Tuesday	Final Examinations
JULY	22	Thursday	Deadline for faculty to finalize gradebooks for Summer Session II Graduate classes by 11:59 p.m.