# 2020-2021 Academic Calendar

## Registration Periods

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<td>July 27 – July 31</td>
<td>Registration for Fall Thesis Research; Block I Courses</td>
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<td>Registration for Block II Courses</td>
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<td>Registration for Spring Thesis Research</td>
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<td>February 22 – February 26</td>
<td>Registration for Block III Courses</td>
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<td>May 31 – June 4</td>
<td>Registration for Summer Thesis Research; Summer Courses</td>
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## Course Blocks

(See Page 2 for Course Add/Drop and Course Withdrawal Dates)

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<td>Block I: Course Period</td>
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<td>Block I: Exam Period</td>
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<td>December 7 – March 16</td>
<td>Block II: Course Period</td>
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<td>March 17 – March 19</td>
<td>Block II: Exam Period</td>
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<td>March 23 – June 24</td>
<td>Block III: Course Period</td>
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<td>June 28 – June 30</td>
<td>Block III: Exam Period</td>
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## Rotation Periods

(Tentative)

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<th>Registration Form Due Date</th>
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<td>December 7 – February 12</td>
<td>Rotation Period I</td>
<td>Dec. 4</td>
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<td>February 22 – April 23</td>
<td>Rotation Period II</td>
<td>Feb. 19</td>
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<td>May 3 – June 25</td>
<td>Rotation Period III (optional)</td>
<td>Apr. 30</td>
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<tr>
<td>June 30</td>
<td>LABORATORY DECLARATION FORMS DUE</td>
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## Thesis Research Periods

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<tr>
<td>August 31 – December 31</td>
<td>Fall Thesis Research: All Declared Students</td>
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<td>January 4 – June 30</td>
<td>Spring Thesis Research: All Declared Students</td>
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<td>July 1 – August 13</td>
<td>Summer Semester Thesis Research: All Declared Students</td>
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## Program Holidays

No Classes, Exams, WIPs, Thesis Seminars, or Defenses on the following holidays

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<th>Date</th>
<th>Holiday</th>
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<td>July 3, 2020</td>
<td>Independence Day Observed</td>
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<td>September 7</td>
<td>Labor Day</td>
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<td>September 28</td>
<td>Yom Kippur</td>
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<td>November 26 – 27</td>
<td>Thanksgiving Recess</td>
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<td>December 21 – January 1, 2021</td>
<td>Winter Recess</td>
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<td>January 18</td>
<td>Martin Luther King Day</td>
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<td>February 15</td>
<td>Presidents’ Day</td>
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<td>March TBA</td>
<td>Julius Marmur Symposium</td>
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<td>March 29 – April 2</td>
<td>Passover Recess</td>
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<td>May 17 – 18</td>
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<td>May TBA</td>
<td>Graduation Commencement</td>
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<td>May 31</td>
<td>Memorial Day</td>
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Rev 5/13/20; subject to change
**ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

**2020-2021**

### COURSE ADD/DROP and WITHDRAWAL DATES

*(Exclusive of program holidays)*

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<td>October 19, 2020</td>
<td>BLOCK I: Last day of course withdrawal</td>
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<td>April 12, 2021</td>
<td>BLOCK III: Last day to add/drop courses</td>
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<tr>
<td>May 10, 2021</td>
<td>BLOCK III: Last day of course withdrawal</td>
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### ADDITIONAL ADD/DROP AND COURSE WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES

- **2-, 3-Week Courses** Add/Drop: 2 days from course start date
- **4-, 5-, 6- Week Courses** Add/Drop: 5 days from course start date
- **2-, 3-, 4-, 5-, 6- Week Courses** Withdrawal Deadline: mid-point of the course

### GRADUATE DIVISION SPECIAL EVENTS

- **June 2020** Program Orientation: MSTP
- **August 2020** Program Orientation: PhD; PREP
- **Fall 2020, TBD** Faculty Poster Sessions
- **Fall 2020, TBD** Laboratory Declaration Celebration
- **May 2021, TBD** PhD Graduate Reception
- **July 2021, TBD** Qualification Jubilation

### DEGREE CONFERRAL DATES

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<td>January 29, 2021</td>
<td>All final paperwork for the PhD degree due by Jan. 28</td>
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<td>May 2021, TBD</td>
<td>All final paperwork for the PhD degree due by Apr. 23</td>
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