2026-27 Defiance College
Undergraduate Academic Calendar

Fall 2026 Semester	
Fall Matriculation Ceremony	Friday, August 21
Evening, Lab, and Online Classes Begin[1]	Monday, August 24
All Fall Classes Begin	Tuesday, August 25
Add/Drop Ends (1st Half Classes)	Friday, August 28
Add/Drop Ends (Full Term Classes)	Friday, August 28
Labor Day Holiday (College Closed)	Monday, September 7
Last Day to Withdraw (1st Half Classes)	Friday, September 25
Course Evaluation Period (1st Half Classes)	Monday, October 5 – Friday, October 9
Last Day of 1st Half Classes	Wednesday, October 14
Fall Break (No Classes; College Open)	Thursday, October 15 and Friday, October 16
2nd Half Classes Begin	Monday, October 19
Midterm Grades Due	Monday, October 19
1st Half Classes Grades Due by Noon	Tuesday, October 20
Add/Drop Ends (2nd Half Classes)	Friday, October 23
Last Day to Withdraw (Full Term Classes)	Friday, October 23
Spring Semester Registration and Advising Opens	Monday, October 26
Spring Semester Registration and Advising Ends	Friday, November 6
Last Day to Withdraw (2nd Half Classes)	Friday, November 20
Course Evaluation Period (Full Term Classes)	Monday, November 23 – Friday, December 4
Thanksgiving Break (College Closed)	Wednesday, November 25 – Friday, November 27
Course Evaluation Period (2nd Half Classes)	Monday, November 30 – Friday, December 4
Last Day of Classes	Friday, December 4
Final Examinations	Monday, December 7 – Thursday, December 10
Assessment Day (Faculty only; College Open)	Friday, December 11
Final Grades Due by Noon	Tuesday, December 15
College Closed for Christmas Break	Thursday, December 24 – Friday, January 1
Deadline to complete all requirements for December Graduation	Friday, January 15
Spring 2027 Semester	
Classes begin with required Jacket Journey Days	Monday, January 11 – Wednesday, January 13
All other Spring Classes Begin	Thursday, January 14
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (College Closed)	Monday, January 18
Add/Drop Ends (Full Term & 1st Half Classes)	Friday, January 22
Presidents' Day (No Classes; College Open)	Monday, February 15
Last Day to Withdraw (1st Half Classes)	Friday, February 19

[1] Evening classes are defined as those that begin at 4 pm or later.

Course Evaluation Period (1st Half Classes)	Monday, March 1 – Friday, March 5
Last Day of 1st Half Classes	Friday, March 5
Spring Break (Offices Open)	Monday, March 8 – Friday, March 12
2nd Half Classes Begin	Monday, March 15
Midterm Grades Due	Tuesday, March 16
1st Half Grades Due by Noon	Tuesday, March 16
Add/Drop Ends (2nd Half Classes)	Friday, March 19
Last Day to Withdraw (Full Term Classes)	Friday, March 19
Summer and Fall Registration and Advising Opens	Monday, March 22
Holy Thursday (No Classes; College Open)	Thursday, March 25
Good Friday (College Closed)	Friday, March 26
Summer and Fall Registration and Advising Ends	Wednesday, April 7
McMaster Symposium & Colloquium (No Classes; College Open)	Wednesday, April 14
Course Evaluation Period (Full Term Classes)	Monday, April 19 – Friday, April 30
Last Day to Withdraw (2nd Half Classes)	Tuesday, April 20
Course Evaluation Period (2nd Half Classes)	Monday, April 26 – Friday, April 30
Last Day of Classes	Friday, April 30
Final Examinations	Monday, May 3 – Thursday, May 6
Assessment Day (Faculty only; Offices Open)	Friday, May 7
Grades Due for Graduating Students by Noon	Friday, May 7
Commencement	Saturday, May 8
Final Grades Due by Noon (for both full term and 2nd Half Classes)	Tuesday, May 11
Deadline to complete all requirements for May Graduation	Monday, May 31

<u>Summer 2027 Semester - Session I (12-week) and Session II (8-week)</u>

Session I (12-week) Classes Begin	Monday, May 17
Add/Drop Ends (Session I)	Thursday, May 20
Memorial Day (College Closed)	Monday, May 31
Session II (8-week) Classes Begin	Monday, June 7
Add/Drop Ends (Session II)	Thursday, June 10
Observation of Juneteenth (College Closed)	Friday, June 18
Independence Day Observance (College Closed)	Friday, July 2
Last Day to Withdraw (both Session I and II)	Friday, July 9
Last Day to Withdraw (Session II – 8-week)	Friday, July 16
Last Day of Session II (8-week)	Friday, July 30
Last Day of Session I (12-Week)	Friday, August 6
Session I and II Grades Due before Noon	Tuesday, August 10
Deadline to complete all requirements for Summer Graduation	Tuesday, August 30