

Academic Calendar 2025-2026

Summer 2025

March 24, 2025	Mon.	Registration opens for Summer 2025 for Online and Professional Master's programs (except Cybersecurity and PRIME) students at 9:00 a.m. EDT.
March 31 - April 10, 2025	Mon. - Thurs.	Registration for Summer courses for continuing Brown undergraduates and select masters students with summer program courses (including PRIME) opens at 9:00 a.m. EDT on Monday March 31 and continues through Thursday April 10 at 5:00 p.m. EDT
April 15 - April 22, 2025	Tues. - Tues.	Registration period for fall courses for Brown undergraduates. Summer registration closed during this period.
April 23 - June 18, 2025	Wed. - Thurs.	Registration period for Summer courses for Brown undergraduates and select masters students with summer program courses (including PRIME) re-opens at 9:00 a.m. EDT and remains open until Wednesday June 18 at 5:00 p.m. EDT
May 19, 2025	Mon.	Classes begin for Summer 2025 for Online and Professional Master's programs (except Cybersecurity and PRIME) students
June 15, 2025	Sun.	Residence halls open.
June 16, 2025	Mon.	Summer Session classes begin.
June 18, 2025	Wed.	Last day to change courses (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline). (All students MUST be in their registered courses by Wednesday, June 18.)
June 19, 2025	Thurs.	Juneteenth Holiday. No University exercises.
June 23, 2025	Mon.	Last day to change grade options (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline)
July 4, 2025	Fri.	Independence Day holiday. No University exercises.
July 25, 2025	Fri.	Classes end.
July 26 - Jul 29, 2025	Sat. - Tues.	Reading period.
July 29, 2025	Tues.	Last day to drop a course (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline).
Jul 30 - Aug 1, 2025	Wed. - Fri.	Final examination period.
August 1, 2025	Fri.	Summer Session ends.
August 2, 2025	Sat.	Residence halls close.
August 24, 2025	Sun.	Classes end for Summer 2025 for Online and Professional Master's programs (except Cybersecurity and PRIME) students

Fall 2025

July 9, 2025	Wed.	Registration opens for Fall 2025 for Online and Professional Master's programs (except Cybersecurity and PRIME) students at 9:00 a.m. EDT.
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Aug. 1, 2025	Fri.	Last day for payment of charges.
Aug. 26, 2025	Tues	Beginning of Graduate School All-Student Orientation.
Aug. 28, 2025	Thurs.	Beginning of College Orientation.
Aug. 29 - Sept 1, 2025	Fri. - Mon.	Registration of new undergraduate and all graduate students (residential programs, Cybersecurity, and PRIME) for the fall semester begins at 4:00 pm EDT Friday and ends at 11:59 p.m. EDT Monday Sept 1. (Maximum of 4 credit hours allowed for undergraduates).
Sept. 2, 2025	Tues.	Registration re-opens at 9:00 a.m. EDT on Sept 2 for all students for the fall semester. (Up to a maximum of 5 credit hours allowed).
Sept. 2, 2025	Tues.	Opening Convocation at 4:00 p.m. EDT
Sept. 3, 2025	Wed.	Classes of the first semester begin.
Sept. 3, 2025	Wed.	First day of RISD Fall Session.
Sept. 5, 2025	Fri.	Theses/Dissertations of candidates for Masters and Ph.D. degrees in October due.
Sept. 10, 2025	Wed.	Last day to register for a Fall RISD course without a fee or change a grade option for a Fall RISD course - (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline).
Sept. 16, 2025	Tues.	Last day to add a course without a fee. (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline) <i>Banner Web will be taken down for approximately one hour. Once relaunched, all course adds require Instructor override and will be charged a late fee of \$15 per course.</i>
Sept. 30, 2025	Tues.	Last day to add a course (includes late fee), change from audit to credit, or change a grade option declaration (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline).
Oct. 1, 2025	Wed.	Deadline for undergraduates on personal leave (including employment and military leave) or on Full-time Study Away status to request return to studies at Brown for Spring.
Oct. 11, 2025	Sat.	Last day to receive any partial tuition refund.
Oct. 13, 2025	Mon.	Indigenous Peoples' Day. No University exercises.
Oct. 17, 2025	Fri.	Last day to change from credit to audit in a course (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline).
Oct. 18, 2025	Sat.	Mid-semester
Oct. 21, 2025	Tues.	Date by which sophomores entering their 5th semester must file their concentration declaration forms via ASK to avoid having a "No Concentration" hold placed against their Banner registration (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline).
Oct. 27, 2025	Mon.	Advising period for spring pre-registration begins. Students in their first through third semesters will need to procure their advising PIN from their advisor in order to register.

Nov. 11, 2025	Tues.	Registration opens for Spring 2026 for undergraduate students semester level 07 and above and all continuing graduate students (residential programs, Cybersecurity, and PRIME) at noon EST. Registration remains open until Tuesday, November 18, 5:00 p.m. EST. (Maximum of 4 credit hours allowed for undergraduates).
Nov. 12, 2025	Wed.	Registration opens for Spring 2026 for undergraduate students semester levels 05-06 at noon EST. (Students are unable to register for 5th semester unless approved concentration is filed). Registration remains open until Tuesday, November 18, 5:00 p.m. EST. (Maximum of 4 credit hours allowed for undergraduates).
Nov. 13, 2025	Thurs.	Registration opens for Spring 2026 for undergraduate students semester levels 03-04 at noon EST. Registration remains open until Tuesday, November 18, 5:00 p.m. EST. (Maximum of 4 credit hours allowed for undergraduates).
Nov. 13 , 2025	Thurs.	Students on serious warning who wish to drop a course after this date must meet with an academic dean for advising and to obtain a "drop code."
Nov. 14, 2025	Fri.	Deadline for submission of proposals for College Curriculum Council-approved undergraduate group study projects (GISPs), independent study projects, and internships for credit) for Semester II.
Nov. 14, 2025	Fri.	Registration opens for Spring 2026 for undergraduate students semester levels 01-02 at noon EST. Registration remains open until Tuesday, November 18, 5:00 p.m. EST. (Maximum of 4 credit hours allowed for undergraduates).
Nov. 15 - 18, 2025	Sat. - Tues.	Registration for Spring 2026 continues until Tuesday, November 18, 5:00 p.m. EST.
Nov. 26, 2025	Wed.	Registration opens for Spring 2026 for Online and Professional Master's programs (except Cybersecurity and PRIME) students at 9:00 a.m. EST.
Nov. 26 - 30, 2025	Wed. - Sun.	Thanksgiving recess
Dec. 01, 2025	Mon.	Classes resume.
Dec. 1, 2025	Mon.	Deadline for undergraduates to request a personal leave (including employment and military leave) or to request Full-time Study Away status for Spring. Any Full-time Study Away approved by the Study Away Review Committee for which the Registrar does not receive enrollment verification will not be honored.
Dec. 1 , 2025	Mon	Last day of Fall RISD classes.
Dec. 6 , 2025	Sat.	Midyear Completion Celebration at 4:00 p.m. in Salomon De Ciccio Family Auditorium. Reception to follow in Sayles Hall.
Dec. 7 , 2025	Sun.	Beginning of Reading Period (optional and at the discretion of the instructor.)

Dec. 11 , 2025	Thurs.	Classes end for courses not observing the Reading Period. Last day to drop a course (5:00 p.m. EST deadline) or to request an incomplete from an instructor.
Dec. 11 , 2025	Thurs.	UG CONCENTRATIONS: Last day for students to declare second or third concentrations in ASK for students in their penultimate semester (typically the 7th semester) who are declaring a second/third concentration (5:00 p.m. EST deadline).
Dec. 11 , 2025	Thurs.	UG CERTIFICATES: Last day for students in their ante-penultimate (typically 6th) semester to declare an undergraduate certificate in ASK.
Dec. 12 , 2025	Fri.	Last day for approved 7th (or penultimate) semester undergraduates in eligible concentrations to submit writing completed in the concentration in ASK to complete part II of the writing requirement. Concentration advisors must approve submitted writing in ASK by the last day of the semester.
Dec. 12 - 20, 2025	Fri. - Sat.	Final Examination Period (inclusive of Sunday)
<u>Winter 2026</u>		
Nov. 19 - Dec. 17, 2025	Wed. - Wed.	Registration for Wintersession courses (begins at 9:00 a.m. EST).
Dec. 17, 2025	Wed.	Last day to register for a Wintersession course (5:00 p.m. EST deadline).
Dec. 17, 2025	Wed.	Wintersession tuition due.
Dec. 22, 2025	Mon.	Wintersession courses begin.
Jan. 6, 2026	Tues.	Last day to change a grade option declaration.
Jan. 13, 2026	Tues.	Last day to drop a course or request an incomplete from an instructor.
Jan. 19, 2026	Mon.	Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. No University exercises.
Jan. 20, 2026	Tues.	Final examinations. Wintersession ends.
<u>Spring 2026</u>		
Jan. 1, 2026	Thurs.	Last day for payment of charges.
Jan. 5, 2026	Mon.	First day of RISD Winter Session.
Jan. 9, 2026	Fri.	Theses/Dissertations of candidates for Masters and Ph.D. degrees in February due.
Jan. 12, 2026	Mon.	Last day to register for a Winter RISD course without a fee or change a grade option for a Winter RISD course (5:00 p.m. EST deadline).
Jan. 16 - Jan 19, 2026	Fri. - Mon.	Registration of new undergraduate and new graduate students (residential programs, Cybersecurity, and PRIME) for the spring semester begins at 1:00 pm EST Friday and ends at 11:59 p.m. EST Monday Jan 19. (Maximum of 4 credit hours allowed for undergraduates).
Jan. 19, 2026	Mon.	Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday. No University exercises.

Jan. 20, 2026	Tues.	Registration re-opens at 9:00 a.m. EST on Jan 20 for all students for the spring semester. (Up to a maximum of 5 credit hours allowed).
Jan. 21, 2026	Wed.	Classes of the second semester begin.
Feb. 3, 2026	Tues.	Last day to add a course without a fee. (5:00 p.m. EST deadline) Banner web will be taken down for approximately one hour. Once relaunched, all course adds require Instructor override and will be charged a late fee of \$15 per course.
Feb. 6, 2026	Fri.	Last day of Winter RISD classes.
Feb. 12, 2026	Thurs.	First day of RISD Spring Session.
Feb. 14 - 17, 2026	Sat. - Tues.	Long weekend. No University exercises.
Feb. 18, 2026	Wed.	Classes resume. Last day to add a course (includes late fee), change from audit to credit, or change a grade option declaration (5:00 p.m. EST deadline).
Feb. 19, 2026	Thurs.	Last day to register for a Spring RISD course without a fee or change a grade option for a Spring RISD course (5:00 p.m. EST deadline).
March 6, 2026	Fri.	Last day to change from credit to audit in a course (5:00 EST p.m. deadline).
March 7, 2026	Sat.	Mid-semester.
March 16, 2026	Mon.	Date by which sophomores entering their 5th semester must file their concentration declaration forms via ASK to avoid having a "No Concentration" hold placed against their Banner registration. (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline).
Mar. 21 - 29, 2026	Sat. - Sun.	Spring Recess.
March 30, 2026	Mon.	Advising period for fall pre-registration begins. Students in their first through third semesters will need to procure their advising PIN from their advisor in order to register.
March 30, 2026	Mon.	Classes resume.
April 1, 2026	Wed.	Deadline for undergraduates on personal leave (including employment and military leave) or on Full-time Study Away status to request return to studies at Brown for Fall.
Apr. 7, 2026	Tues.	Students on serious warning who wish to drop a course after this date must meet with an academic dean for advising and to obtain a "drop code."
April 10, 2026	Fri.	Deadline for submission of proposals for College Curriculum Council-approved undergraduate group study projects (GISPs), independent study projects, and internships for credit) for Semester I.
April 14, 2026	Tues.	Registration opens for Fall 2026 for undergraduates semester level 07 and above and continuing graduate students (residential programs, Cybersecurity, and PRIME) at noon EDT and remains open until Tue April 21, 5:00 p.m. EDT. (Max of 4 credits allowed for undergraduates)

April 15, 2026	Wed.	Registration opens for Fall 2026 for undergraduates semester levels 05-06 at noon EDT (approved concentration must be filed to register for 5th semester) and remains open until Tuesday April 21, 5:00 pm EDT (Max of 4 credits allowed for undergraduates).
April 16, 2026	Thurs.	Registration opens for Fall 2026 for continuing undergraduate students semester levels 04 and below at noon EDT. Registration remains open until Tuesday, April 21, 5:00 p.m. EDT. (Maximum of 4 credit hours allowed for undergraduates).
Apr. 17 - Apr. 21 2026	Fri. - Tues.	Registration for Fall 2026 continues until Tuesday, April 21 5:00 p.m. EDT.
April 24, 2026	Fri.	Reading Period begins and will end on May 5 (optional and at the discretion of the instructor).
May 1, 2026	Fri.	Deadline for undergraduates to request a personal leave (including employment and military leave) or to request Full-time Study Away status for Fall. Any Full-time Study Away approved by the Study Away Review Committee for which the Registrar does not receive enrollment verification will not be honored.
May 1, 2026	Fri.	Theses of candidates for Masters and Ph.D. degrees in May due.
May 5, 2026	Tues.	Classes end for courses not observing the Reading Period. Last day to drop a course (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline) or to request an incomplete from an instructor.
May 5, 2026	Tues.	Reading Period ends.
May 5, 2026	Tues.	UG CONCENTRATIONS: Last day for students to declare second or third concentrations in ASK for students in their penultimate semester (typically the 7th semester) who are declaring a second/third concentration (5:00 p.m. EDT deadline).
May 5, 2026	Tues.	UG CERTIFICATES: Last day for students in their ante-penultimate (typically 6th) semester to declare an undergraduate certificate in ASK.
May 6 - May 15, 2026	Wed. - Fri.	Final Examination Period. (No exams on Sunday May 10).
May 6, 2026	Wed.	Last day for approved 7th (or penultimate) semester undergraduates in eligible concentrations to submit writing completed in the concentration in ASK to complete part II of the writing requirement. Concentration advisors must approve submitted writing in ASK by the last day of the semester.
May 13, 2026	Wed.	Last day of Spring RISD classes.
May 24, 2026	Sun.	Commencement.