

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2008-2009

AUGUST

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| Wednesday, August 6 | Faculty Report |
| Friday, August 15 | Juniors move in |
| Sunday, August 17 | Seniors move in |
| August 15-19 | Orientation |
| Wednesday, August 20 | Classes begin |

SEPTEMBER

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| Thursday, September 11 | Convocation—2 p.m./a.m. Classes. Long Weekend (LWE) begins after Convocation-LWE ends 7 p.m. Sunday |
| Saturday, September 13 | ACT - Recommended for Early Decision / Early Action |
| Saturday, September 27 | SAT/PSAT Workshop by Jonathan Wilson- Carolina College Prep |

OCTOBER

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| Thursday, October 2 | Long weekend begins after classes and ends at 7 p.m. on Sunday |
| Saturday, October 4 | SAT – Recommended for Early Decision / Early Action |
| Friday, October 10 | Mid-term grading period ends |
| Saturday, October 11 | Parents' Day |
| Friday, October 17 | A.M. Classes - P. M. PSAT Preparation |
| Saturday, October 18 | PSAT - Required for All Juniors |
| Saturday, October 25 | ACT |
| Thursday, October 30 | Long weekend begins after classes and ends at 7 p.m. on Sunday |

NOVEMBER

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| Saturday, November 1 | SAT I & II |
| Saturday, November 8 | Fall Open House for prospective students |
| Tuesday, November 25 | Thanksgiving holidays begin after classes and end at 7 p.m. on Sunday |

DECEMBER

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| Saturday, December 6 | SAT I & II |
| Saturday, December 6 | Winter Formal at Coker Boat House |
| Wednesday, December 10 | Reading Day |
| December 11-13, 15-18 | Exams. Students may not sign out for the weekend during exams |
| Saturday, December 13 | ACT |
| Thursday, December 18 | Christmas holidays begin after last exam Residence Hall closes at 6pm |

* **Bold text indicates dates students are leaving or returning to GSSM**

JANUARY

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| Sunday, January 4 | End of Christmas holidays – 7 p.m. |
| Monday, January 5 | Interim session begins. Students may not sign out for the first weekend |
| Saturday, January 10 | Parents' Seminar Day. Academic Saturday |
| Monday, January 19 | Open House for prospective students |
| Tuesday, January 20 | Winter break begins after Research Colloquium practice/ Interim Presentations |
| Saturday, January 24 | SAT I & II |
| Sunday, January 25 | Winter break ends at 7 p.m. |
| Monday, January 26 | Spring semester begins |

FEBRUARY

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| Saturday, February 7 | Senior Research Colloquium. Academic Saturday. GSSM Founder's Day (Feb. 5) observed |
| Thursday, February 19 | Long weekend begins after classes and ends at 7 p.m. on Sunday |

MARCH

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| Thursday, March 12 | Long weekend begins after classes and ends at 7 p.m. on Sunday |
| Saturday, March 14 | SAT I only - Recommended for all Juniors |
| Tuesday, March 17 | Mid-term grading period ends |

APRIL

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| Friday, April 3 | Spring break begins after classes |
| Saturday, April 4 | ACT |
| Monday, April 13 | Spring break ends at 7:00 p.m. |
| Thursday, April 16 | SCJAS in Columbia |
| Saturday, April 25 | Prom at Prestwood Country Club |
| Thursday, April 30 | Long weekend begins after classes and ends at 7 p.m. on Sunday |

MAY

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| Saturday, May 2 | SAT I & II |
| May 4-8, 11-15 | AP Exams |
| Saturday, May 16 | New Student Orientation |
| Wednesday, May 20 | Reading Day |
| May 21-23, 25-27 | Exams. Students may not sign out for the weekend during exams |
| Sunday, May 24 | Awards Program – 2 p.m. |
| Saturday, May 30 | Graduation at 11 a.m. Students move out of residence hall immediately after graduation |

JUNE

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| Thursday, June 4 | Last Day for Faculty |
| Saturday, June 6 | SAT I & II |
| Saturday, June 13 | ACT |
| June 7 - July 17 | Summer Research for Class of 2009 |