



FALL SEMESTER

Notes

- *This calendar is the general calendar for 2026-2027 and not an exhaustive list of events at GSSM.*
- *LWE stands for Long Weekend, which start after a student's last class on Thursday. Students need to return from LWE no later than 7:00pm on Sunday.*
- *OCCA is the Office of College Counseling and Advising.*
- *Monday and Tuesday November 23, 24 will be used as emergency makeup class days if necessary in fall semester.*
- *Thursday January 21 will be used as an emergency makeup class day if necessary in spring semester.*
- *All school or large group meetings should try to schedule these types of meetings during the following two times:*
 - *Tuesday, 4:00 – 5:00pm*
 - *Wednesday, 1:00 – 2:00pm*

AUGUST

Wednesday, August 12	Natural Helpers and Ambassadors Move-In
Friday, August 14	Junior Move-In Day
Sunday, August 16	Senior Move-In Day
Monday, August 17 & Tuesday, August 18	First days of class: orientation to classes/labs and GSSM community building
Wednesday, August 19	First full day of classes for academic content Class of 2026 OCCA meeting in the gym, 1pm
Wednesday, August 26	Last day to drop/add a course Last day to drop/add a Coker dual-enrolled course (not on transcript) Class of 2027 OCCA meeting in the gym, 1pm
Thursday, August 27	First Research Advisee/Advisor meeting for seniors, 4pm
Friday, August 28	Last day to drop/add an FMU dual-enrolled course (not on transcript)

SEPTEMBER

Wednesday, September 2	GSSM Community Meeting 1pm in the gym
Thursday, September 10	Convocation, 2pm (Classes as usual until noon); LWE begins after Convocation & ends Sun. at 7pm.
Wednesday, September 16	Last day to drop a class that is an overload without it appearing on the transcript
Friday, September 18	Five-week progress report grading period ends.
Monday, September 21	Progress reports emailed to students and families.
Saturday, September 26	Parents' Day
Sunday, September 27	College Fair at GSSM 1-3pm in the gym
Wednesday, September 30	GSSM Community Meeting 1pm in the gym

OCTOBER

Thursday, October 1	LWE begins after class & ends Sun. at 7pm.
Wednesday, October 7	PSAT (no classes all day; shifted schedule for the rest of the week)
Thursday, October 8	Wednesday class/lab schedule
Friday, October 9	Thursday class/lab schedule
Thursday, October 15	Final day to withdraw from an overload course with a WP/WF
Friday, October 16	Midterm grading period ends.
Wednesday, October 21	Midterm grades emailed home.
Monday, October 26	Last day to withdraw from a Coker dual-enrolled course with a W (any drop after this date is a WF)
Thursday, October 29	LWE begins after classes & ends Sun. at 7pm.



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NOVEMBER

Wednesday, November 4	GSSM Community Meeting 1pm in the gym
Friday, November 6	Networking Dinner
Tuesday, November 10	Notice of Potential Unsatisfactory Grade given to students by faculty
	Last day to withdraw from an FMU dual-enrolled course
Saturday, November 15	Accelerate Sophomore Pre-Engineering Make-up Lab, Junior Chemistry Makeup Lab, Senior Physics Make-up Lab
Thursday, November 19	Fourteen-week progress report grading period ends.
Friday, November 20	Annual Research Colloquium (no classes all day) Thanksgiving holidays begin after Colloquium & end 11/29 at 7pm.

DECEMBER

Wednesday, December 2	GSSM Community Meeting 1pm in the gym
Saturday, December 5	Winter Formal
Friday, December 11	Last day of fall semester classes
Saturday, December 12	Review/Reading Day
December 14-18	Exams (Students may not sign out for this weekend)
Friday, December 18	End of fall semester. Break begins after last exam.
Monday, December 21	Non-satisfactory grades due for all students by noon Course grades due by noon in PowerSchool
Monday, December 28	1st semester report cards mailed home.

JANUARY INTERIM AND SPRING SEMESTER

JANUARY

Sunday, January 3	Students return to GSSM by 7pm.
Monday, January 4	Interim session begins with GSSM Community Meeting at 9am in the gym.
Saturday, January 9	Parents and Friends Seminar Day (Academic Saturday, no sign outs)
Friday, January 15	Last day to drop an FMU dual-enrolled course (not on transcript)
Wednesday, January 20	Interim presentations. Break begins after presentations & ends Sunday at 7pm. OCCA Junior Parent Meet and Greet (2-4, College Resource Room)
Monday, January 25	Spring semester begins
Wednesday, January 27	Junior Parent Kick-Off to College Planning, Gym 1pm

FEBRUARY

Monday, February 1	Last day to drop/add a course Last day to drop/add a Coker dual-enrolled course (not on transcript)
Wednesday, February 3	GSSM Community Meeting 1pm in the gym
Monday, February 8	Course catalog sent to rising seniors.
Wednesday, February 10	Academic Course Fair 1-2pm
Thursday, February 11	LWE begins after classes & ends Sunday at 7pm.
Monday, February 15	Last day to drop an overload class without it appearing on the transcript
Monday, February 22	1 st day for rising seniors to submit course requests forms to the registrar
Friday, February 26	Last day for rising seniors to submit course requests forms to the registrar Five-week progress report grading period ends.

MARCH

Thursday, March 4	LWE begins after classes & ends Sun. at 7pm
Wednesday, March 10	33 rd Annual GSSM Townes Award Dinner
Saturday March 20	Annual INSIDE GSSM Day



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Tuesday, March 23
Wednesday, March 24
Friday, March 26

Final day to withdraw from a residential overload course with a WP/WF
Midterm grading period ends.
Midterm grades due by noon in PowerSchool.
Invitation for senior graduation speaker sent out.
GSSM Spring Break begins after classes & ends Sunday, April 4 at 7pm
SCJAS at Furman
Midterm grades emailed home.

Monday, March 29

APRIL

Wednesday, April 7
Monday, April 12

GSSM Community Meeting 1pm in the gym
Last day to withdraw from an FMU dual-enrolled course
Last day to withdraw from a Coker dual-enrolled course with a W (any drop after this date is a WF)
Prom
Notice of Potential Unsatisfactory Grade given to students by faculty
LWE begins after classes & ends Sunday at 7pm
Fourteen-week progress report grading period ends.

Saturday, April 17
Monday, April 19
Thursday, April 29

MAY

Saturday, May, 1
May 3-14
Wednesday, May 5
Sunday, May 16
Wednesday, May 19
Thursday, May 20
May 21-22 24-26
Wednesday, May 26
Thursday, May 27

National Decision Day for Colleges
AP Exams with abbreviated class schedules TBD
Legislator Appreciation Lunch
Academic Awards Program, 2pm
Last day of spring semester classes
Review/Reading Day
Exams (Students may not sign out for the weekend during exams)
Senior Banquet, 6pm (All seniors and any juniors remaining on campus)
Residential graduation practice at 9:30am
Non-satisfactory grade reports due for all students by noon
Course grades due by noon in PowerSchool
Graduation at 11am

Friday, May 28

JUNE & JULY

Thursday, June 3
June 6–July 16

Final report cards mailed home.
Summer Research & Inquiry Experiences for Rising Seniors