

Detroit Mercy Law Academic Calendar 2025-26

Term I – FALL 2025	
First-year Orientation	August 18 - 22
Last Day to Waitlist for a course	August 24
Term I Classes Begin	August 25
Last Day to Add a course	August 31
Directed Research Form Deadline	August 31
Labor Day Holiday (class makeup scheduled for TBD)	September 1
Last Day to Drop a course - 100 Percent Refund + no W grade	September 7
Red Mass	September 23
Application for Graduation Deadline	September 26
Week 8: Tuition Policy Enforced	Week of October 13
Term II Priority Registration Begins	Week of November 10
Term I Classes End	November 26
Pass/No Pass Option Deadline*	
Thanksgiving Holiday (class makeup scheduled for TBD)	November 27 – November 30
Term I Review Period	December 1 – December 2
Term I Final Examination Period	December 3 – December 15
University Closed	December 24 – January 1, 2026
All Term I grades posted	February 1, 2026

Term II – WINTER 2026	
Last Day to Waitlist for a course	January 4
Term II Classes Begin	January 5
Last Day to Add a course	January 11
Directed Research Form Deadline	January 11
Last Day to Drop a course - 100 Percent Refund + no W grade	January 18
Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday (class makeup scheduled for April 20)	January 19
Winter Break	February 15 – February 22
Week 8: Tuition Policy Enforced	Week of February 23
Term III Priority Registration	Week of March 16
Easter Holiday (Friday class makeup scheduled for April 21)	April 3-5
Makeup Day for MLK Holiday (Monday Classes)	April 20
Makeup Day for Good Friday Holiday (Friday Classes)	April 21
Term II Classes End	April 21
Pass/No Pass Option Deadline*	
Term II Review Period	April 22 – 24
Term II Final Examination Period	April 27 – May 7
Commencement	May 8
Baccalaureate	May 9
All Term II grades posted	July 1

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Interession – SUMMER 2026 (Tentative)	
Last Day to Waitlist for a course	May 10
Interession Classes Begin	May 11
Last Day to Add or Drop a course	May 11
Interession Classes End	May 21 (<i>Interession Exams on May 22</i>)
Term III – SUMMER 2026	
Memorial Day Holiday (class makeup scheduled for July 13)	May 25
Last Day to Waitlist for a course	May 25
Term III Classes Begin	May 26
Last Day to Add or Drop a course - 100 Percent Refund + no W grade	June 1
Directed Research Form Deadline	June 1
Withdraw from a course - 50 Percent Refund + W grade	June 2 – June 8
Juneteenth Holiday (class makeup scheduled for July 14)	June 19
Week 5: Tuition Policy Enforced	Week of June 22
Fireworks (Evening Classes Online)	Tentative June 22
Fourth of July Holiday (class makeup scheduled for July 15)	July 3
Makeup Day for Memorial Day Holiday (Monday Classes)	July 13
Makeup Day for Juneteenth (Friday Classes)	July 14
Makeup Day for Fourth of July Holiday (Friday Classes)	July 15
Term III Classes End Pass/No Pass Option Deadline*	July 15
Term III Review Period	July 16 – July 17
Term III Final Examination Period	July 20 – 24
All Interession & Term III grades posted	August 31

*The decision to take an elective on a pass/no pass basis, or to revoke the decision, must be communicated to the Law School Registrar, in writing, by the last day of classes or the day before the exam is administered, whichever comes first.

The Law School reserves the right to change any of the above dates. Please refer to the online schedule of classes each Term for all the official dates.

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End-of-Term Chart 2025-2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Term I 2025-26	Classes made up on Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings. See table below.					
Term II 2025-26	April 20 Last Monday (MLK)	April 21 Last Tuesday (Good Friday)				
Term III 2025-26	July 13 Monday Classes (Memorial Day)	July 14 Friday Classes (Juneteenth)	July 15 Friday Classes (July 4 th Observed)			

Assumptions

1. AALS: January 7-11, 2026
2. Fireworks: June 22, 2026 (tentative)
3. Term I: 14 weekdays and 13 Saturdays. Saturdays in Term I do not include the Saturday after Orientation.
4. Term II: 14 weekdays and 13 Saturdays. Class meets the Saturday at the beginning of the winter break, but not at the end. Classes do not meet on Saturday, April 4 (Holy Saturday).
5. Term III: 7 weeks with 7 weekdays and 6 Saturdays. Each Saturday class meetings will be longer or put two Saturdays on one weekend.

(CDN Thanksgiving: Monday, October 13, 2025)

Make-Up Periods for Term I (Fall 2025): TBD