

Graduate School of Education
2019 FALL TERM Academic Calendar

August 20 - August 26	Tuesday - Monday	GSE New Student Orientation (full schedule TBA)
August 27	Tuesday	Fall term classes begin
September 2	Monday	Labor Day (NO CLASSES)
September 16	Monday	Add/drop period ends at 11:59 PM EST Courses dropped after the add/drop period are subject to the following partial refund schedule: 75% refund September 17 - September 23 50% refund September 24 - September 30 NO REFUND October 1 - October 7
<p style="text-align: center;">DOCTORAL (PH.D. and ED.D.) STUDENTS GRADUATING IN DECEMBER 2019 are strongly advised to defend by October 21, 2019 to ensure that they can submit their dissertation for format review by November 4, 2019. The link to schedule your final defense is: https://www.gse.upenn.edu/student-forms/final-defense-sched. SRO requests that this form is submitted two weeks prior to defense date</p>		
October 7	Monday	LAST DAY to drop a course (NO REFUND) Courses dropped after October 7 require instructor approval and 'W' will appear on transcript in place of grades
October 7	Monday	LAST DAY to request course grade type change to audit. Requires instructor approval
October 28 - November 10	Monday - Sunday	Advance Registration for Spring 2020 available via Penn InTouch: www.upenn.edu/pennintouch
November 4	Monday	LAST DAY doctoral students may submit dissertation for review by the Associate Dean for December 2019 degree: EdD students: upload to Proquest PhD students: email dissertation to Faculty Affairs Office (Betty Deane- bettyd@upenn.edu or Megan McManus- mcmmeg@upenn.edu)
November 8	Friday	LAST DAY to withdraw from a course (NO REFUND). Requires instructor approval. 'W' will appear on transcript in place of grade
November 18	Monday	LAST DAY to apply for December 2019 degree: All students apply here: https://www.gse.upenn.edu/student-forms/apply-to-graduate (\$75 fee for applications submitted after this deadline) PHD students must also apply here: https://fission.sas.upenn.edu/sso/gas/degree/app-start.php/ (\$100 fee for applications submitted after this date)
TBA	TBA	Course selection for Spring 2020 re-opens. Log into Penn InTouch after 10am to register for courses: www.upenn.edu/pennintouch
November 26 - 27	Tuesday - Wednesday	Alternative class meeting schedule: Thursday classes will meet on Tuesday, Friday classes will meet on Wednesday

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November 28 - December 1	Thursday - Sunday	Thanksgiving Break (NO CLASSES)
December 2	Monday	Classes resume
December 2	Monday	LAST DAY for submission of approved & signed dissertations for December 2019 degree: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ed.D. to Faculty Affairs Office (Betty Deane or Megan McManus)• Ph.D. to Graduate Arts & Sciences
December 2	Monday	LAST DAY Divisions may submit Master's Comprehensive Examination/Thesis/Portfolio results to the GSE Student Records Office for December 2019 degree
December 9	Monday	Undergraduate Classes end
December 16	Monday	LAST DAY of classes at GSE
December 16	Monday	LAST DAY doctoral final defense ballots for December 2019 graduates will be accepted by Student Records Office
December 19	Thursday	Fall term ends for University
January 2, 2020	Thursday	Fall term grades due

Spring Classes begin on January 15, 2020 (Monday class schedule)

**Graduation Applications do not roll over. Names are purged from the system after the December term*