

UCA ACADEMIC TIMETABLE 2026-2027

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ADMINISTRATIVE TASK/INFO (See also Academic Calendar , PAF Schedule and Student Course Experience Survey Schedule)	DEADLINE	OTHER INFORMATION
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Vector Solutions Training for Faculty Must Be Completed Within the First 90 Days of Contract Date		
Fall Instruction Begins	8/20/2026	
Non-Attendance Reporting	8/27/2026	Due by noon.
Promotion and/or Tenure Application		Refer to Chapter 3 of the current Faculty Handbook for additional information.
Department Committee	9/1/2026	
Department Chair	10/1/2026	
College Committee	10/15/2026	
Dean	12/1/2026	
Provost	1/15/2027	
Promotion of Lecturers/Clinical Instructors/Laboratory Instructors		Refer to Chapter 3 of the current Faculty Handbook for additional information.
Department Committee	9/1/2026	
Department Chair	10/1/2026	
Dean	12/1/2026	
Provost	1/15/2027	
URC Faculty Research Proposals for Fall		See URC
Department Chair	9/8/2026	
College Research Committee	9/15/2026	
Dean	9/29/2026	
Graduate Dean	10/6/2026	
URC	10/20/2026	
2027 Summer Stipend Proposals		See URC
Department Chair	9/8/2026	
College Committee	9/15/2026	
Dean	9/29/2026	
Graduate Dean	10/6/2026	
URC	10/20/2026	

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Registration Schedule Spring 2027 Due to Registrar	9/16/2026	
Registration Schedule Spring 2027 Viewable in Self-Service	9/17/2026	
Sabbatical Leave Applications for Summer/Fall 2027 and Spring 2028		See Sabbatical Leave Guidelines
Department Chair	9/18/2026	
Dean	9/25/2026	
Graduate Dean	10/2/2026	
Provost	11/6/2026	
Progress Reporting Opens	9/18/2026	
Progress Reporting Closes	9/28/2026	
Faculty Development Grant Proposals	9/30/2026	Contact CETAL (450-5240) for more information.
Annual Reports		
Dean	10/1/2026	
Provost	11/1/2026	
Distinguished Faculty Emeritus		
Department Chair	10/2/2026	
Dean	10/9/2026	
Provost	10/16/2026	
Textbook Order Submission (Spring)	10/9/2026	See note below ¹
Spring 2027 Priority & Advanced Registration	10/28/2026-11/10/2026	
Academic Grade Appeal Deadline (Spring/Summer 2026)	10/12/2026	Contact Registrar (450-5200) for more information.
Honorary Doctorate Nominations		
Provost	10/31/2026	
Phased Retirement Applications for Tenured Faculty		Refer to Board Policy 528 for additional information.
Department Chair	11/1/2026	
Provost Decision	12/15/2026	

¹Textbook orders for spring 2026 must be submitted to the bookstore no later than this date in accordance with Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-60-601. Those submitting after this date must submit a Late Book Order form. NOTE: The bookstore will notify campus via email of its deadline for book orders prior to November 1.

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Faculty Development Grant Proposals	11/13/2026	Contact CETAL (450-5240) for more information.
Winter Commencement 2026		
Graduate	12/10/2026	
Undergraduate	12/11/2026	
Fall Final Grade Reports Due to Registrar	12/14/2026	Due by noon.
Winter Intersession Final Grade Reports Due to Registrar	1/5/2027	Due by noon.
Spring Instruction Begins	1/14/2027	
Faculty Performance Forms for 2026 Calendar Year and 2027 Goals		
Department Chair	1/15/2027	
Dean	3/1/2027	
Non-Attendance Report	1/22/2027	Due by noon.
URC Faculty Research Proposals for Spring		See URC
Department	1/26/2027	
College Research Committee	2/2/2027	
Dean	2/16/2027	
Graduate Dean	2/23/2027	
URC	3/9/2027	
Faculty Development Grant Proposals	1/31/2027	Contact CETAL (450-5240) for more information
Mid-Tenure Review		Refer to Chapter 3 of the current Faculty Handbook for additional information.
Department Chair	2/1/2027	
DTPC to Department Chair	3/1/2027	
Dean	4/1/2027	
Candidate	5/1/2027	
Progress Reporting Closes	2/22/2027	
Registration Schedule Changes Summer & Fall 2027 Due to Registrar	2/27/2027	
Registration Schedule Summer & Fall 2027 Viewable in Self-Service	2/25/2027	

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Phased Retirement Applications for Non-Tenure-Track Faculty		Refer to Board Policy 528 for additional information.
Department Chair	3/1/2027	
Provost Decision	4/15/2027	
Textbook Order Submission (Summer/Fall)	3/5/2027	See note below. ²
Academic Grade Appeal Deadline (Fall 2026)	3/8/2027	Contact Registrar (501) 450-5200 for more information.
Faculty Development Grant Proposals	3/15/2027	Contact CETAL (501) 450-5240 for more information
Summer/Fall 2027 Priority & Advanced Registration	4/7/2027-4/12/2027	
Faculty Development Grant Proposals (summer grants that cross fiscal years (funds limited))	4/15/2027	Contact CETAL (501) 450-5240 for more information
Spring 2027 Commencement		
Graduate	5/6/2027	
Undergraduate	5/7/2027	
Spring Final Grade Reports Due to Registrar	5/11/2027	Due by noon.
Dean, Associate Dean, and Department Chair Performance Reviews for 2026 Calendar Year and 2027 Goals	5/15/2027	Due to appropriate reviewer
Summer Instruction Begins		
May Intersession, 8-Week, 12-Week	5/17/2027	
Summer I, 10-Week	6/7/2027	
Summer II	6/12/2027	
Summer III	7/26/2027	
May Intersession Final Grade Reports Due to Registrar	6/8/2027	Due by noon.
First 5-Week Summer Session Final Grade Reports due to Registrar	7/13/2027	Due by noon.
Graduate Summer 2027 Commencement	8/14/2027	
Second 5-Week/10-Week/13-Week Final Grade Reports Due to Registrar	8/17/2027	Due by noon.

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