

2025-2026

ENROLLED TRANSFER & RETURNING STUDENT

Reference Guide



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS™



WELCOME TO UCA

Dear UCA Bear,

Congratulations on choosing to continue your education at the University of Central Arkansas! Whether you're transferring from another institution or returning to your academic journey, we are excited to welcome you and recognize the unique perspectives and experiences you bring to UCA.

This guide is here to help you navigate your next steps, from scheduling advising appointments to exploring the many student resources available to you. It's designed to be a helpful resource throughout your time at UCA, supporting you as you pursue your degree and achieve your academic and personal goals.

We're committed to supporting you every step of the way through this exciting transition. Go Bears!

Sincerely,

Online, Transfer, & Returning Student Services

CHECKLIST

- ☒ Mail final official transcripts
- ☒ Meet with your Academic Advisor & register for classes
- ☒ Get your UCA student ID card
- ☒ Pick up your parking permit
- ☒ Finalize financial aid
- ☒ Confirm housing (if applicable)
- ☒ Reprint schedule on first day
- ☒ Check email regularly
- ☒ Buy/rent your textbooks (save your receipts!)

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MyUCA FAVORITES

MyUCA features tools and resources you'll need during your time at UCA. Here are some of the most popular tiles you might want to favorite for convenience:

Favorites (12)

Blackboard Access your Blackboard online courses	Degree Works – Students View degree progress, GPA calculator, and other degree management tools	Email – Students Access your UCA email account (for @cub.uca.edu accounts)	Self-Service Edit your personal information, and complete tasks specific for students, faculty, and staff
Shuttle Routes View shuttle routes and times	What's to Eat? View this week's menu at the Christian Cafeteria	Campus Maps Learn your way around UCA's beautiful Conway campus	CASHNet Pay your bill using CASHNetOnline Payment Solution
Vector Solutions Access the online training platform for the university	Academic Calendar View the calendar for the current academic year	My Housing Apply to live on campus or view your current housing and dining information	Student Health Appointment Make an appointment or fill out your medical history form at the Student Health Clinic

Favorite your most-visited tiles by clicking the star in the lower-right corner. Starred tiles will appear on your MyUCA homepage.

TRANSFER|mation

TRANSFER|mation is an optional orientation program for incoming transfer and readmit students, held the day before classes begin each fall and spring semester. We recommend attending to explore key resources and opportunities that will support your success at UCA. Family members are also welcome to attend.

Fall 2025: Wednesday, August 20, 2025
Spring 2026: Wednesday, January 7, 2026

Register at uca.edu/fye/transfers



FINANCIAL AID & STUDENT ACCOUNTS



LOGGING IN TO myUCA

1. Visit my.uca.edu
2. Click on the Self-Service tab

HOW TO VIEW FINANCIAL AID REQUIREMENTS

Click the following:

1. Financial Aid
2. Select Appropriate Aid Year

HOW TO VIEW AND ACCEPT FINANCIAL AID

Click the following:

1. Financial Aid
2. Select Appropriate Aid Year
3. Aid Offer tab (at the top of the page)

ONLINE ACCESS TO STUDENT ACCOUNT INFORMATION

Click the following:

1. Student
2. Student Account
3. Review Account and Pay Balance



SCHOLARSHIP QUESTIONS

UCA Scholarships

Office of Student Financial Aid

Harrin Hall 200

(501) 450-3140 | uca.edu/scholarships

UCA Foundation Scholarships

UCA Foundation Inc.

2490 Bruce Street

(501) 450-5288 | uca.edu/foundation

Academic Challenge / Lottery Scholarship

1-800-54-STUDY | sams.adhe.edu



DEGREE WORKS

WHAT IS IT?

DegreeWorks is a web-based tool to help students and advisors monitor progress toward degree completion. DegreeWorks combines UCA degree requirements and the coursework the student has completed with an easy-to-read worksheet.

DegreeWorks also allows students to do a “What if...” analysis that gives students the ability to see previously taken coursework and how it aligns with other degree programs without having to officially make changes to their academic account.

GPA CALCULATOR

Another feature DegreeWorks offers is a GPA calculator. Students can create scenarios to see what grades they have to make in order to receive a certain overall GPA for their program.

WHERE DO I FIND IT?

DegreeWorks is located in the self-service tab of myUCA. For more information, see your academic advisor or go to the DegreeWorks website at uca.edu/registrar/degreeworks.

UCA ONLINE

WHY ONLINE LEARNING?

Online courses offer a flexible and convenient way to earn your degree. While there are deadlines to keep you on track, you have the freedom to complete assignments and coursework at a time that fits your schedule. Some of the most common reasons people choose online learning include:

- Access Anywhere: Study from anywhere with an internet connection.
- Flexible Scheduling: Complete coursework around your schedule.
- 24/7 Availability: Access materials anytime, day or night.
- Work-Friendly: Balance work and study at your convenience.
- No Commuting: Save time and stress by studying remotely.
- Family-Friendly: Manage family responsibilities while studying at your own pace.

Need to compare course work from other institutions to UCA courses?

Use the Transfer Course Equivalency Guide on the Registrar's page:
uca.edu/go/tceg

Note:

Degree Works is designed to aid and facilitate academic advising but is not intended to replace face-to-face advising sessions. Please see page 8 for information on how to schedule an advising appointment.

Office of the Registrar Contact Information

Location: Harrin Hall | Suite 224
Email: registrar@uca.edu
Phone: (501) 450-5200



FLAT-RATE TUITION

Students admitted to an approved fully online undergraduate program through UCA Online pay a flat-rate tuition of \$307 per credit hour, regardless of residency or location.

Questions?
Email: ucaonline@uca.edu

UCA CORE

The UCA Core is structured to help students build the skills necessary to thrive in a diverse and changing world. Key knowledge areas in the UCA Core are critical thinking, effective communication, responsible living and diversity.

1. CRITICAL INQUIRY

The ability to analyze new problems and situations to formulate informed opinions and conclusions.

2. EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

The ability to develop and present ideas logically and effectively to enhance communication and collaboration with diverse individuals and groups.

3. RESPONSIBLE LIVING

The ability to address real-world problems and find ethical solutions for individuals and society.

4. DIVERSITY

The ability to analyze familiar cultural assumptions in the context of the world's diverse values, traditions and belief systems as well as to analyze the major ideas, techniques and processes that inform creative works within different cultural and historical contexts.

LOWER-DIVISION CORE REQUIREMENTS

Critical Inquiry

- 1.1 Quantitative (1 Class)
- 1.2 Laboratory Sciences (2 Classes)
- 1.3 Inquiry and Analysis
 - 1.3.1 American History and Government (1 Class)
 - 1.3.2 Social Science (1 Class)
 - 1.3.3 Fine Arts/Humanities (1 Class)

Effective Communication

- 2.1 Writing Foundation (1 Class)
- 2.2 Research and Writing (1 Class)
- 2.3 Oral Communication (1 Class)

Diversity*

- 3.1 First-Year Seminar - Open to Freshmen Only (1 Class)
- 3.2 Creative Works and World Cultures (1-2 Classes)

Responsible Living (1 Class)

*Students transferring with over 30 hours that have not completed the diversity LDC requirement must take 2 classes from the Creative Works and World Cultures category, as they're not eligible for a first-year seminar.

UPPER-DIVISION CORE REQUIREMENTS

In order to satisfy upper-division core requirements, students must take upper-division courses (3,000 and 4,000 level courses) that address outcomes in each of the four competency areas of the UCA Core: Diversity (D), Critical Inquiry (I), Effective Communication (C), and Responsible Living (R). In addition, all students must take a course designated as a Capstone Experience (Z). These courses may also count as major, minor, or elective requirements, and except for the Capstone course, one course may satisfy up to two Core requirements. Students should consult their academic advisors for clarification about upper-division requirements that apply to them.

TRANSFER STUDENTS/THE STATE MINIMUM CORE (SMC)/LOWER-DIVISION (LD) UCA CORE

A transfer student who completes the 35-hour SMC curriculum before entering UCA will have met the lower-division UCA Core requirements, with no additional courses needed. If a transfer student has not completed the 35-hour SMC curriculum, they must work with an academic advisor to fulfill the lower-division UCA Core requirements.

For the Quantitative and Laboratory Sciences sections of the lower-division UCA Core, UCA will accept higher-level courses, provided the transfer student has completed the required prerequisite courses listed in the lower-division UCA Core within the same category.

For additional information, visit
uca.edu/core

THE FACTS ON GETTING A DEGREE

1. UCA LOWER-DIVISION CORE

The lower-division UCA Core requires 38 hours of elective credit. See the previous page for a breakdown of requirements.

2. UPPER-DIVISION CORE

Major courses may fulfill the four upper-division and capstone UCA Core requirements. The previous page provides a breakdown of requirements. For more details, consult your advisor or visit uca.edu/go/udcore.

3. MAJOR AND MINOR GPA REQUIREMENTS

Most majors and minors require at least a 2.0 GPA in those areas to graduate. This is separate from the overall 2.0 GPA needed for graduation.

4. MINIMUM CREDIT HOURS TO GRADUATE

A bachelor's degree requires a minimum of 120 credit hours for graduation. Some majors require more hours.

5. UPPER-DIVISION CREDIT HOURS

A minimum of 40 hours of upper-division credit (3000 and 4000-level courses) are required to graduate.

6. MAJOR CREDIT HOURS

Students must declare a major after completing 27 credit hours. The major field includes required and elective courses. For more details, contact your advisor or visit uca.edu/go/programs for all degree requirements.

7. MINOR CREDIT HOURS

Some majors also require a minor. A minor is a second area of specialization requiring fewer courses than the major. Consult your advisor or visit uca.edu/go/programs for a complete list of minor requirements.

8. APPLYING FOR GRADUATION/DEGREE AUDIT

Submit your graduation application after you complete at least 90 credit hours. The Graduation Success Team will begin your Graduation Audit to assess if you are on track for graduation.

9. GRADUATION!

Congratulations! Visit the Graduation tab on uca.edu/registrar for a complete graduation checklist and ceremony information.

SPECIAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Some majors have additional degree requirements. For full details, visit uca.edu/ubulletin and consult your academic advisor.

RESIDENCE REQUIREMENTS

All students must complete a minimum of 30 semester credit hours in residence at UCA, either through in-person or online courses. Additionally, at least 24 of the final 32 semester credit hours required for graduation must be completed in residence at UCA.

TYPES OF DEGREES

UCA offers one associate degree and ten bachelor's degrees, each with its own specific requirements, in addition to the UCA Core requirements. Detailed degree requirements for each program can be found at uca.edu/ubulletin.



ACADEMIC ADVISING

HOW TO MAKE AN APPOINTMENT

Successful academic advising is a collaborative process between the advisor and the student. While students are responsible for setting and planning their academic goals, advisors facilitate communication and coordinate learning experiences through course planning and academic progress reviews.

Professional academic advising is a collaborative process that helps you:

- Clarify academic goals and interests
- Explore majors and minors
- Understand university policies and procedures
- Plan course registration and scheduling

Scheduling an advising appointment:

To schedule an appointment with your advisor, please email them directly. Advisors are located throughout campus, based on the college they represent.

How to prepare for your advising appointment:

- Review your Degree Works summary.
- Make a list of classes you're interested in taking. (Check the prerequisites!)
- Write down any questions about your degree program, courses, or student resources.
- Be ready to discuss any concerns or challenges you're facing that impact your academic progress.
- Check for any other holds on your account that you need to address.
- Be prepared to participate actively in decision-making and stay engaged in the discussion.



ACADEMIC ADVISING "NO-SHOW" POLICY

If you miss two advising appointments without notice, your ability to schedule future appointments may be restricted. The next opportunity to meet with your advisor will be during designated "no-show" periods, which will be scheduled after the advance registration period.

COMMUNICATION POLICIES

Your UCA-issued email account will be your official means of communication with advisors.

Visit uca.edu/registrar to view the current semester's Registration Schedule. You should book an advising appointment early in the semester to ensure you have plenty of time to get your advising hold lifted and plan your classes.

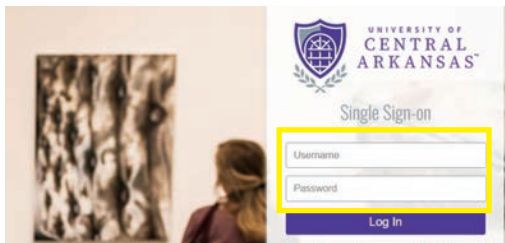
Main Office: Bernard Hall | Suite 103

Phone: 501-450-5149

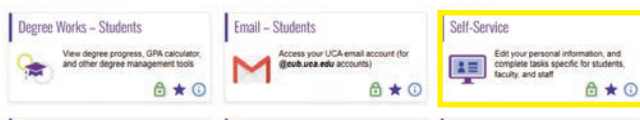
Email: advising@uca.edu

HOW TO REGISTER FOR CLASSES

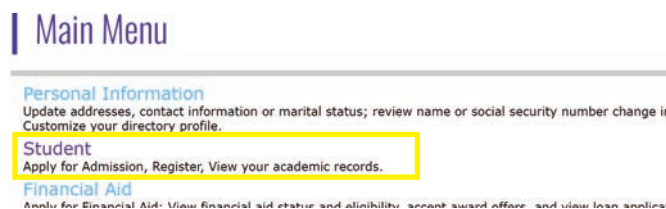
1. Log in to my.uca.edu. Can't get into your account? Please contact uca.edu/IT or call (501) 450-3107.



2. Navigate to the **Self-Service** tab.



3. Select **Student**.



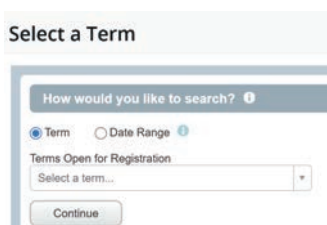
4. Choose **Banner 9x Registration** from the menu.



5. Click the **Register for Classes** option.



6. Select the **upcoming term** and click **Continue**.



7. Search for classes by subject and course number.

8. For a more detailed search, used Advanced Search, enter your specific criteria, and then click Search.

9. Add courses to your summary by clicking the **Add** button on the right side of the screen.

Campus	Status	Attribute	Linked Sections	Add
0:00 AM - 11:59 PM Type: Lect	Main	20 of 20 seats re...	LD UCA Core I-A Social Science LD UCA Core Social Science	Add

10. Check the Schedule preview in the bottom left corner to ensure no class times conflict.

11. Repeat steps 7-10 until you have all the classes you need. To finalize your schedule, click the **Submit** button in the lower right corner.



ACCESSING YOUR SCHEDULE

1. Follow steps 1-3 on page 9, select Student Records from the menu options, then select “View/Print Schedule.”



2. If you wish to print your schedule, highlight the information you want, right-click, and choose Print.

			Date	Date			
4.000	01	Jan 11, 2024	May 03, 2024	M	10:00 am - 11:50 am	Lewis Annex 103	
		Jan 11, 2024	May 03, 2024	MWF	8:00 am - Lewis Scienc		
3.000	01	Jan 11, 2024	May 03, 2024	MW			

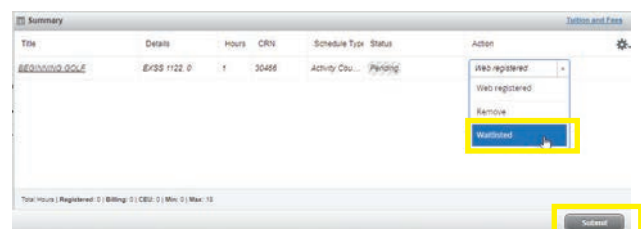
HOW TO WAITLIST FOR CLASSES

1. Follow steps 1-9 on page 9. If a class is full, it will be highlighted in red. The second line tells you how many seats on the waitlist remain.

! FULL: 0 of 24 seats remain.

10 of 10 waitlist seats remain.

2. Navigate to the Summary box in the bottom right-hand corner of your screen. Under the Action field for the course, select Waitlisted from the dropdown menu. The Schedule box on the left will hold the dates and times for that course, pending your registration. Make sure to click the Submit button in the lower right corner to finalize your changes.



What is automated waitlisting?

When a section reaches full capacity, students can join an online waitlist on a first-come, first-served basis. Students are responsible for checking their **@cub.uca.edu** email for seat availability. If a seat opens, students have a limited time to enroll before the spot passes to the next person. Please note that openings may occur at any time, including weekends and holidays. **Waitlists are not available for all sections and do not guarantee a seat in the class.**

HOW TO DECODE YOUR SCHEDULE

Your schedule at UCA may look a bit different from the one at your previous school. Here are some important features you should know.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
CRN	Course Title	Campus	Credits Level	Start Date	End Date	Days Time	Location
2495	EDUC 4210 INTEGRATION TECH TEACH/LEARN	Main	2.000 01	Jan 09, 2020	May 01, 2020	T 2:45 pm - 4:45 pm	TBA
30517	EXSS 3211 COACHING FOOTBALL	Main	2.000 01	Mar 02, 2020	May 01, 2020	M 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Farris Center 200
30574	EXSS 3303 EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY	Main	3.000 01	Jan 09, 2020	May 01, 2020	MWF 9:00 am - 9:50 am	A. E. Burdick Hall 205
32644	PETE 3316 CURRICULUM - PETE	Main	3.000 01	Jan 09, 2020	May 01, 2020	MWF 11:00 am - 11:50 am	Farris Center 210
29939	PETE 3363 ADAPTED PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Main	3.000 01	Jan 09, 2020	May 01, 2020	TR 12:15 pm - 1:30 pm	Farris Center 201
31535	PETE 4310 METHODS AND MATERIALS OF SECONDARY PHYSICAL EDUCATION	Main	3.000 01	Jan 09, 2020	May 01, 2020	MWF 8:00 am - 8:50 am	Farris Center 206
			Total Credits: 16.000				

1. COURSE

Each course has a specific course abbreviation and course number associated with it. To view the full list of department course abbreviations and numbers, visit uca.edu/ubulletin/courses/.

2. CAMPUS

Campus codes other than “Main” or “M” means the class is reserved for specific student populations.

3. START/END DATE

Be aware of start/end dates. Some classes do not start at the beginning of the semester.

4. LOCATION

This will be the location of the class.

5. COURSE REGISTRATION NUMBER (CRN)

A Course Registration Number (CRN) is a unique 5-digit identifier for each course section. It helps during registration by allowing you to quickly add courses to your summary and is also used to purchase the correct textbooks at the campus bookstore.

6. TOTAL CREDITS

This indicates the total number of credit hours you are enrolled in for the semester. Please be aware that some types of financial aid require you to maintain a minimum number of credits to continue receiving funding. To confirm the minimum credit requirements for your aid, please call 501-450-3140.

7. DAYS/TIME

MWF is an abbreviation for classes that are attended on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. TR is an abbreviation for classes occurring on Tuesdays and Thursdays, respectively. If a class has a lab or a Supplemental Instruction section, please note that there will be an additional day and time the class meets.

8. TBA

This can indicate that the instructor or location for the class has not been determined yet. Online classes are denoted by a TBA location and a meeting time of 12:00 a.m. - 11:59 p.m.

STUDENT SUCCESS

Academic Success Workshops

Because everyone can improve on skills such as financial literacy, study techniques, career planning, and test prep, UCA offers Academic Success Workshops each week during X-Period (1:40-2:30pm Tuesdays and some Thursdays). Locations vary.

Tutoring @ Torreyson Library | Suite 223

In college, peer tutoring provides an important way for students to share ideas and offer study advice. Whether you need help with a specific subject or want to improve your study strategies, tutoring is a valuable resource for academic success. Free peer tutoring is available for many lower-division and select major courses, both in-person and online via Zoom through Tutoring Services (Torreyson Library) and some academic departments.

Success Coaching @ Student Success & Veteran Resource Center

How well you manage your time and develop your study skills are key indicators of academic success. UCA's peer success coaches can help you improve these skills. Success coaching also enables you to stay motivated and achieve your academic goals.

Students can schedule appointments for each of these services using UCA's online scheduler.

Student Success Services
(501) 852-2117

studentsuccess@uca.edu

For more information on resources, visit
uca.edu/studentsuccess.

FirstGen@UCA

FirstGen@UCA provides resources to support first-generation college students (those whose parent(s) or guardian(s) didn't complete a 4-year degree).

NONTRADITIONAL STUDENT ORGANIZATION



Are You a Non-Traditional Student?

You might be considered a non-traditional student if you are:

- A parent
- Married
- A veteran, reservist, or active duty military
- A transfer student
- 25 years of age or older

If any of these apply to you, you're not alone! The Office of Student Advocacy and Community is here to provide you with resources tailored to your unique needs and experiences. Check out uca.edu/osac/non-traditional-students/ for a full list of available resources.

OTHER CAMPUS RESOURCES

Student Health Clinic

Contact: (501) 450-3136 | shc@uca.edu

Location: Student Health Building | 1st Floor

UCA's Student Health Clinic offers a wide range of medical services to UCA students, faculty, and staff:

- General Family Practice services
- Lab
- X-Ray
- Immunizations
- Procedures
- Women's Health Services
- COVID Testing
- Flu shots free of charge

Counseling Center

Contact: (501) 450-3138

Location: Student Health Building | Suite 327

The Counseling Center provides several mental health services and educational programs.

- Individual Counseling
- Group Counseling
- Support Groups

Office of Accessibility Resources & Services (OARS)

Contact: (501) 450-3613 | oars@uca.edu

Location: Student Health Building | Suite 212

OARS is your main resource for campus accommodations, offering support with paperwork and a range of services to help you succeed, including (but not limited to):

- Accessible Formats
- Assistive Technology
- Courtesy Cart
- Dining Requests
- Housing Accommodations
- Notetakers
- Online Accommodations
- Testing Accommodations
- Transcription Services

Center for Writing & Communication (CWC)

Contact: (501) 450-5123 | cwc@uca.edu

Location: Thompson Hall | Room 109

The Center for Writing & Communication (CWC) supports UCA community members in becoming more confident and effective writers and presenters. They offer guidance on:

- Editing and Proofreading
- Planning and Organizing Ideas
- Writing and Refining a Thesis
- Formatting and Citations
- Preparing Speeches and Presentations

CWC tutors assist at every stage of your writing and communication projects.

Bear Essentials Food Pantry

Contact: (501) 450-3416

Location: Physical Plant | Room 40

Food insecurity is a growing issue for college students, impacting academics and well-being. UCA's Bear Essentials Food Pantry provides free, nutritious food to students, staff, and faculty in need, helping reduce stress and support the UCA community. Bear Essentials fosters a supportive environment where everyone can thrive, regardless of financial situation.

Visit uca.edu/foodpantry for more information and current hours of operation.

313-TALKUCA

Students can text **313-TALKUCA** (313-825-5822) to report any student concerns anonymously. A UCA staff member will follow up and assist with your concern on the next available business day.

Please note that this platform is not intended for emergencies. If you need immediate assistance, please dial 9-1-1 and let them know you are on UCA's campus.

STUDENT LIFE

Want to get involved at UCA?

Get connected now!

The University of Central Arkansas is home to nearly 200 Recognized Student Organizations (RSOs) spanning a variety of categories, including Academic, Club Sports, Cultural, Greek, Honorary, Recreational, Faith-Based, Spirit, Wellness, Service, and more! These organizations provide students with opportunities to find meaningful communities, connect with peers, and engage in activities that enhance their campus experience.

Visit uca.edu/rso/ to explore the wide range of student organizations.

Questions? Contact the Student Life Office at 501-450-3137.

MINTON COMMUTER COLLEGE

WHO WE ARE

The Minton Commuter College at Old Main is UCA's Living Learning Community for students living off campus. Becoming a member of the MCC@OldMain will allow you to access resources and services specifically designed to make your time on campus as a commuter as productive and convenient as possible.

WHAT WE PROVIDE

- Commuter classes
- Comfortable commuter lounge
- Designated computer lab
- Secure lockers
- Microwave and refrigerator
- Lactation suite
- Support from the MCC Academic Coordinator and Community Mentors connecting with campus resources and opportunities.



For more information, visit uca.edu/llc/mcc.



VETERAN SERVICES

The Veterans and Military Resource Center (VMRC) aims to make veteran, active duty, and dependent students' time at UCA as efficient and supportive as possible. For assistance with education benefits, contact veteranservices@uca.edu.

1. Before registering, check to make sure you have enough remaining time on your benefits to complete a full semester. **This is important.**
2. Plan your schedule, and meet with your advisor to review your classes (**Courses not declared in your major or minor will not be certified.**)
3. Once your schedule is complete, visit the Veteran and Military Resource Center office with a printed copy of your class schedule and certificate of eligibility. This certificate should come by mail after you apply for GI Bill benefits. While in the office, you will fill out the enrollment certification form. No faxed or emailed class schedules or enrollment certification forms will be accepted unless arrangements are discussed due to an extenuating or mitigating circumstance

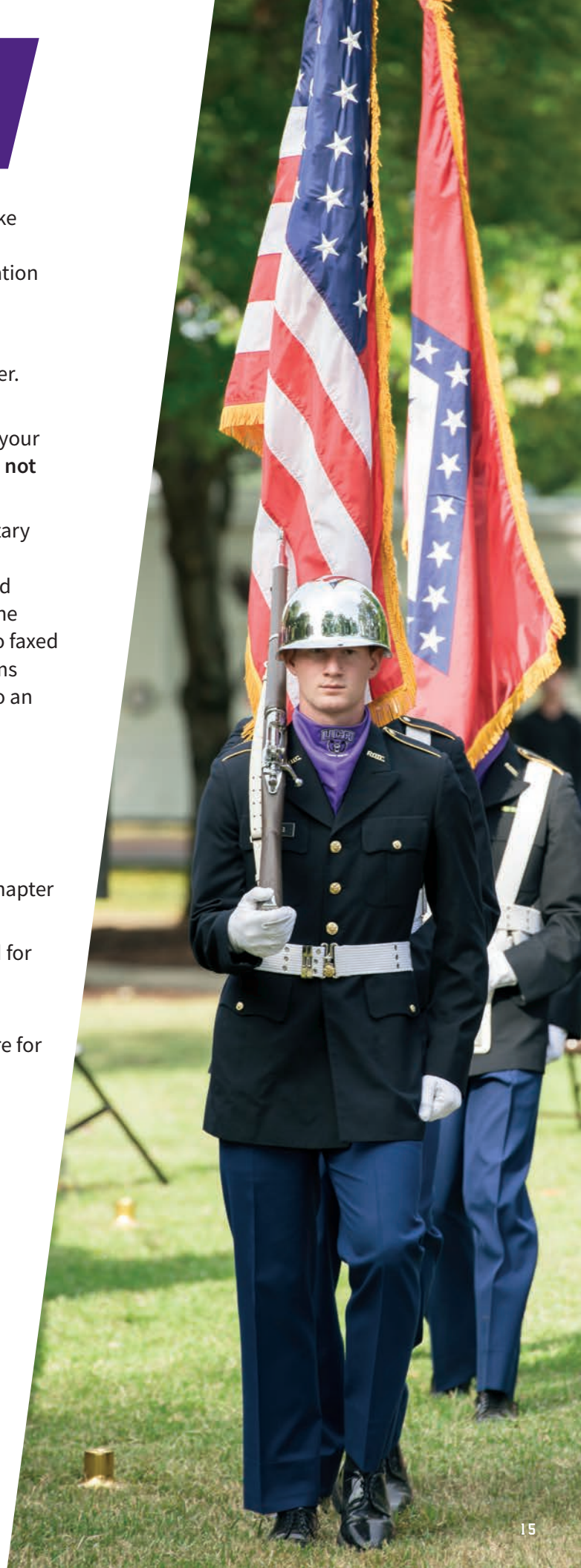
THINGS TO KNOW

- The priority of the VMRC office personnel is to ensure that military benefits are used correctly.
- It's suggested that you read information about the GI Bill Chapter in which you are receiving benefits.
- Full time for undergraduates is a minimum of 12 hours, and for graduates, it is a minimum of 9 hours.
- If you are a transfer student, you will fill out a 22-1995 or a 22-5495 form in the VMRC office on campus. These forms are for the change of place/training.

For additional information, contact:

Greg Pelts, Director
(501) 852-2999
uca.edu/veteranservices
veteranservices-a@uca.edu

**Located in the Student Success &
Veterans and Military Resource Center
on the corner of Bruce & Donaghey.**





CAREER SERVICES

Located in Bernard Hall 318, Career Services is open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Walk-in, scheduled, phone, email, virtual and after-hours appointments are available to students.

OUR SERVICES INCLUDE:

- Mock interviewing
- Career coaching
- Focus2 Career Assessment
- W.O.W. Closet
- Professional photos
- Campus interviews
- Career fairs
- Internships
- Part-time and full-time job opportunities
- Resume reviews
- Virtual career fairs

CONTACT US

- Freshmen, sophomore and juniors: (501) 450-3250
- Seniors and alumni: (501) 450-3134
- Email: bears4hire@uca.edu

Connect with us!

@ucacareer



UCA Career Services &
Cooperative Education



Visit uca.edu/career for job opportunities, services and more!

ACADEMIC POLICIES

ACADEMIC INTEGRITY/ACADEMIC MISCONDUCT

UCA has high standards for you as a student. These standards are of honesty, integrity and responsibility for everything you do during your stay here. Going against any of them becomes academic misconduct. Examples of misconduct commonly identified by universities include, but are not limited to, cheating, plagiarism and fabrication.

The Student Handbook is an all-inclusive guide of your rights and responsibilities. It contains the academic calendar and information about academic policies, general rules and regulations, university records, student appeals processes and more.

Policies for plagiarism, drugs, alcohol and more information, including disciplinary procedures are in the Student Handbook at uca.edu/student/uca-student-handbook, and we strongly suggest you review it.

WITHDRAWING FROM UCA

In the event that you are unable to attend UCA after you have been enrolled in classes, the Undergraduate Withdrawal form is required to notify the university that you will not be attending. This form has a deadline that can be found on the Academic Calendar at uca.edu/registrar/academic-calendar. You can find the form at uca.edu/go/ug-withdraw.

UNIVERSITY RECORDS

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords you certain rights with respect to your educational records. For the complete act, refer to the uca.edu/registrar/ferpa.

STUDENT RIGHT-TO-KNOW INFORMATION

The federal government requires that certain information be provided to incoming current university students, prospective students, parents, and current and prospective employees of the university. This information, which comes under the Student Right-to-Know Act, can be found in the Student Handbook online at uca.edu/student/uca-student-handbook. Students can receive a paper copy of any information or visit the Dean of Students office located in the Student Health Center.

Such information includes: Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA), available financial assistance and direct loan deferments for performed services, general institutional information, graduate rate information, campus security reports, athletic program participation rates and financial support data.



2025-2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SUMMER SEMESTER 2025

May 12, Monday

Instruction begins for Summer Session classes below:

- May Intercession (May 12 – May 30)
- 8-Week (May 12 – July 3)
- 13-Week (May 12– Aug. 8)

May 26, Monday

Memorial Day Holiday – No Classes

May 30, Friday

Final examinations for May Intercession classes.

June 2, Monday

Instruction begins for Summer I 1st Five Week (June 2 – July 3) and 10-Week (June 2 – Aug. 8)

June 3, Tuesday

Final date to drop 1st Five Week Summer Session or 10-Week Summer Session classes and receive a 100% refund.

July 3, Thursday

Final examinations for 1st Five Week Summer Session classes.

July 4, Friday

Independence Day. Campus Closed.

July 7, Monday

Instruction begins for Summer II 2nd Five Week (July 7 – Aug. 8) Summer Session classes.

July 17, Thursday

Final date to officially withdraw from 13-Week Summer Session classes with a W grade unless already dropped for non-attendance. After this date, no withdrawals are permitted and no W grades are recorded.

July 21, Monday

Instruction begins for Summer III Three-Week (July 21 – Aug. 8) Summer Session classes.

July 23, Wednesday

Final date to officially withdraw from 10-Week Summer Session classes with a W grade unless already dropped for non-attendance. After this date, no withdrawals are permitted and no W grades are recorded.

July 25, Friday

Final date to officially withdraw from Three-Week Summer Session III classes with a W grade unless already dropped for non-attendance. After this date, no withdrawals are permitted and no W grades are recorded.

August 8, Friday

Final examinations for 13-Week, 10-Week, 2nd Five-Week Summer II and Summer III Session classes.

August 9, Saturday

Graduate summer commencement.

FALL SEMESTER 2025

August 17-20, Sun. – Wed.

Welcome Week

August 21, Thursday

Instruction begins – day and evening classes

August 22, Friday

Final date to drop Aug. 21 – Oct. 10 or Aug. 21 – Sept. 26 classes and receive a 100% refund

August 27, Wednesday

Final date to drop Aug. 21 – Dec. 12 classes with a 100% refund

September 1, Monday

Labor Day Holiday

October 16-19, Thurs. – Sun.

Fall Break

November 26, Wednesday

Thanksgiving Break
(No classes. University offices open, working remotely)

November 27-30, Thurs. – Sun.

Thanksgiving Holiday (University closed)

December 8-11, Mon. – Thurs.

Final Examinations – day and night classes

December 12, Friday

Undergraduate winter commencement

SPRING SEMESTER 2026

January 8, Thursday

Instruction begins – day and evening classes

January 9, Friday

Final date to drop Jan. 8 – Feb. 27 or Jan. 8 – Feb. 13 classes and receive a 100% refund.

January 14, Wednesday

Final date to drop Jan. 8 – May 1 classes and receive a 100% refund

January 19, Monday

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday

March 22-19, Sun. - Sun

Spring Break

April 24, Friday

Study Day

April 25, Saturday

Final exams – Saturday classes

April 27-30, Mon. - Thurs.

Final exams – day and night classes

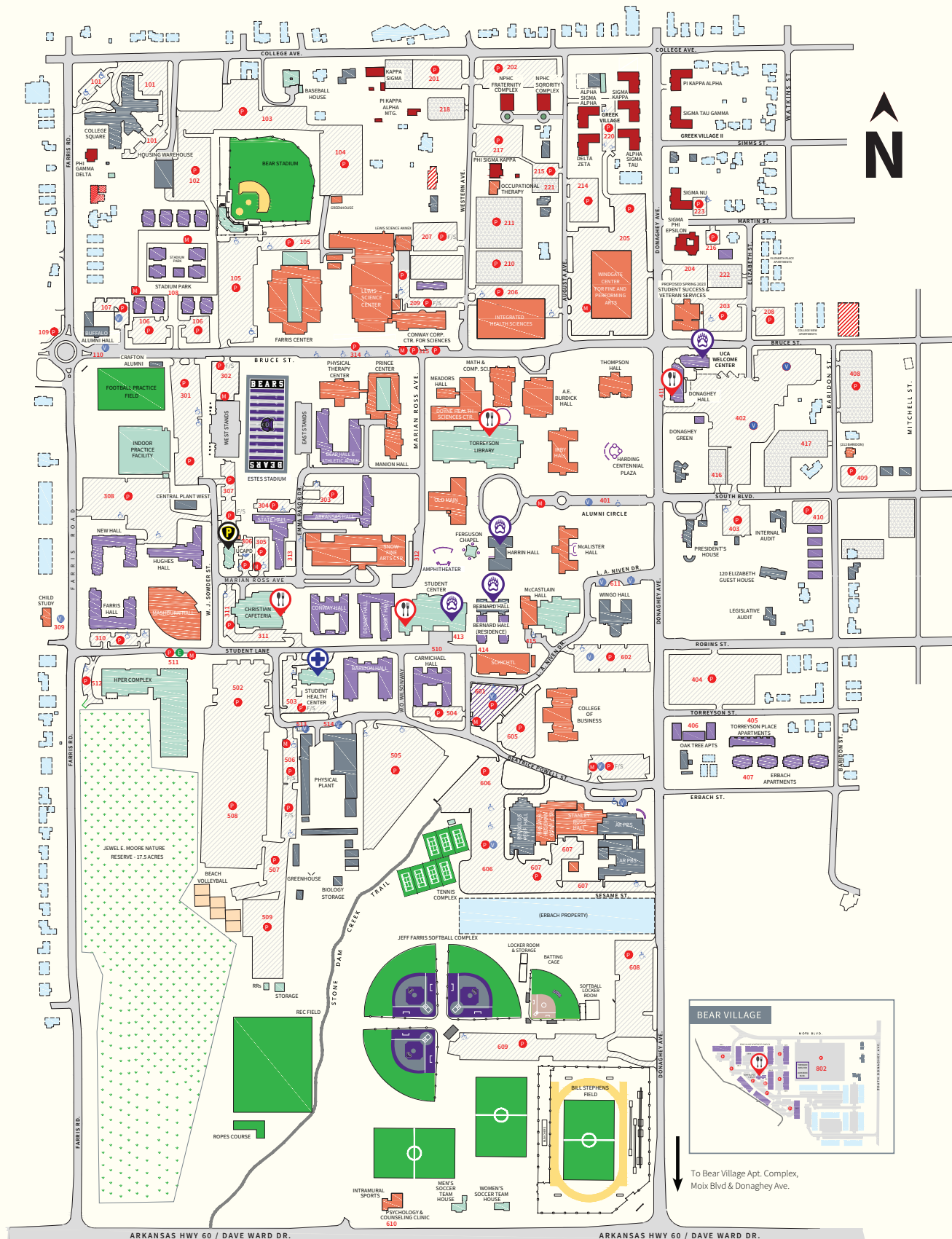
April 30, Thursday

Graduate spring commencement

May 1, Friday

Undergraduate spring commencement

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LEGEND

- Classrooms
- Student Service Buildings & Athletics
- Residence Halls
- Administrative & Other University Buildings
- Fraternities & Sororities
- University owned property
- Non-University owned property
- Outdoor Fields

- Parking Lot
- Visitor Parking
- Motorcycle Parking
- F/S Faculty/Staff Lot
- Meter
- Electric Vehicle Charging Station



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Welcome Center		(501) 450-3128
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