YALE DIVINITY SCHOOL
2026-2027 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The following dates are subject to changes as the university makes decisions regarding the 2026–2027 academic year. Changes will be posted online on the YDS website.

AUGUST		
24	Monday	International Student Orientation
25 - 28	Tues - Fri	***Mandatory*** New Student Orientation (BTFO)
28	Friday	Faculty advising
31	Monday	Online registration for new students and add/drop for continuing students begins at 9 a.m.
SEPTEMBER		
2	Wednesday	Fall-term classes begin at 8:00 a.m.
4	Friday	Fall and full-year thesis proposals due
7	Monday	Labor Day; no classes
11	Friday	Last day to change grade mode to letter grading, 10 p.m.
14	Monday	Online registration ends, 11:59 p.m.; last day for downtown class; last day to add without fee; tuition rebate for dropped courses
21	Monday	First “evidence of progress” to thesis director due
23	Wednesday	Last day to add a course (with fee)
30	Wednesday	Last day to drop a course (with fee); last day to request CR/NC grading
OCTOBER		
5 - 7	Mon - Wed	Fall Convocation
16	Friday	Reading period begins, 10 p.m.
26	Monday	Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.
30	Friday	Advising period for Spring 2027 begins
NOVEMBER		
9	Monday	Online registration for Spring 2027 begins; last day to withdraw from a Fall course*
20	Friday	November reading period begins, 10 p.m.
25	Wednesday	November reading period ends, 9 p.m.; Thanksgiving recess begins, 9 p.m.
30	Monday	Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.
DECEMBER		
8	Tuesday	Regular classes end at 10 p.m.; Theses submission deadline for First Reader
9	Wednesday	Labor Day classes rescheduled; reading period begins at 10 p.m.
11	Friday	Advising period ends; online registrations for Spring 2027 ends
15	Tuesday	Reading period ends, 8:00 a.m.; final exams begin, 9 a.m.
21	Monday	Final exams end/semester ends 6 p.m.; Final drafts of Fall theses due
29	Tuesday	Last day for faculty to accept late work for Fall semester; last day to request Dean's Extension

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JANUARY		
4	Monday	Grades due for fall term; Online registration for new students and add/drop for continuing students begin at 9 a.m.
18	Monday	Martin Luther King Day; no classes
19	Tuesday	Spring-term classes begin at 8:00 a.m.
22	Friday	Spring thesis proposals due
29	Friday	Online registration ends, 11:59 p.m.; last day for downtown class; last day to add without fee; tuition rebate for dropped courses
FEBRUARY		
1	Monday	First "evidence of progress" to thesis director due
5	Friday	Last day to add a course (with fee), 11:59 p.m.
12	Friday	Last day to drop a course (with fee); last day to change grade mode to CR/NC
16	Tuesday	February reading period begins, 10 p.m.
22	Monday	February reading period ends, 8:00 a.m. Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.
MARCH		
5	Friday	Spring recess begins at 9 p.m.
22	Monday	Spring recess ends, at 8:00 a.m. Classes resume, 8:00 a.m.
23	Tuesday	Advising period for Fall 2027 begins
26	Friday	Good Friday; no classes
30	Tuesday	Admitted Students' Day
31	Wednesday	Online registration begins at 9 a.m. for Fall 2027; last day to withdraw from a Spring course*
APRIL		
13	Tuesday	Advising period ends; MAR worksheets due for 2027 graduates
15	Thursday	Fall/Spring internship plan completion deadline
20	Tuesday	Tuesday classes do not meet; Friday classes meet instead
30	Friday	Spring-term classes end, 10 p.m.; reading period begins, 10 p.m.
MAY		
5	Wednesday	Reading period ends, 8:00 a.m.; finals begin 9 a.m.; Theses submission deadline for First Reader
11	Tuesday	Finals end/semester ends, 6 p.m.; online registration ends; Final drafts of Spring and Full year theses due
13	Thursday	Senior grades due
18	Tuesday	Last day for faculty to accept late work for Spring semester; last day to request Dean's Extension
24	Monday	University and YDS Commencement
28	Friday	Grades due for continuing students
31	Monday	Last day to drop summer language courses
JUNE -JULY		
May 25 - July 8	Tues - Thu	Summer language courses
June 1 - Aug 27		Summer internship practicum sessions

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