

LENOIR-RHYNE UNIVERSITY

2026-2027 Academic Calendar (Updated 01.05.2026)

SUMMER 2026

May 11	Maymester classes begin
May 11	Drop/Add ends for Maymester classes at 11:59 pm
May 18	Last day to withdraw from Maymester classes with grade of "W"
May 22	Maymester classes end
May 25	Memorial Day Holiday – University Offices Closed
May 26	All Summer classes start (Full Term and Mini Session One)
May 28	Drop/Add ends for Mini Session One classes
May 29	Maymester final grades due by 11:59 pm
June 1	Drop/Add ends for Full-Term classes
June 15	Last day to withdraw from Mini Session One with grade of 'W'
June 19	Holiday – No Classes, University Offices Closed
June 29	Mini Session One ends
June 30	2 nd Summer Session Begins
July 2	Drop/Add ends for Mini Session Two
July 3	Holiday – No Classes, University Offices Closed
July 6	Final grades due for Mini Session One by 11:59 pm
July 7	Last day to withdraw from Full Term with a grade of 'W'
July 21	Last day to withdraw from Mini Session Two classes with grade of 'W'
August 3	Full and Mini Session Two classes end
August 5	Final grades due for Full and Mini Session Two classes by 11:50 pm

FALL 2026

August 17-18	New Faculty Orientation
August 19	Faculty Development Day
August 20	Faculty and Staff Gathering and Opening Meeting
August 21	New Student Move-In
August 23	First Year Student Assembly and Cookout (5:00 pm)
August 24	ALL Fall classes begin (Full and Mini Session One)
August 26	Drop/Add ends for Mini Session One classes
August 28	Drop/Add ends for Full Term classes
September 4	Enrollment Verification for Full and Mini Session One due by 11:59 pm
September 7	Classes in Session; Staff Holiday - University Offices Closed
September 19	Family Weekend
September 21	Last day to withdraw from Mini Session One with grade of 'W'
October 5-6	Fall Break – No Classes
October 9	Midterm grades due for all Full Session classes by 11:59 pm
October 13	Mini Session One classes end
October 14	First Day of classes for Mini Session Two
October 16	Drop/Add ends for Mini Session Two
October 20	Final grades for Mini Session One due by 11:59 pm
October 22	Last day to withdraw from a Full Term course with grade 'W'
October 24	Homecoming
November 11	Last day to withdraw from Mini Session Two with grade 'W'
November 9-13	Registration for Spring
November 25-27	Thanksgiving Break – No Classes & University Offices Closed
December 4	Final Day of classes for Full Term and Mini Session Two
December 7	Reading Day
December 8-11	Final Exams (See Final Exam Schedule)
December 13	ALL Final Grades Due by 11:59 pm
December 21-31	Winter Break – University Offices Closed

SPRING 2027

January 1	New Year's Holiday – University Offices Closed
January 4	University offices open
January 6-7	Faculty Development Days
January 11	ALL Full Term and Mini Session One classes begin
January 13	Drop/Add ends for Mini Session One classes
January 15	Drop/Add ends for all Full Term classes
January 18	MLK Holiday – No Classes, University Offices Closed
January 25	Enrollment Verification for all Full Term and Mini Session One classes due by 11:59 pm
February 9	Last day to withdraw from Mini Session One with grade of 'W'
February 25	Midterm Grades due for all Full Term classes
March 1	Mini Session One classes end
March 2	Mini Session Two classes begin
March 4	Drop/Add ends for Mini Session Two
March 7	Grades due for Mini Session One by 11:59 pm
March 8-12	Spring Break
March 17	Last day withdraw from Full Term classes with grade 'W'
March 26	Holiday – No Classes, University Offices Closed
March 29	Classes in Session; Staff Holiday - University Offices Closed
April 5-9	Registration for Summer/Fall
April 7	Last day to withdraw from Mini Session Two with grade of 'W'
April 20	SOURCE Day
April 28	Last day of classes for Full Term and Mini Session Two
April 28	Baccalaureate Hickory (10:00 am)
April 29	Reading Day
April 30-May 1	Final Exams
May 3-4	Final Exams
May 6	Asheville Commencement (10:00 am)
May 7	Hickory Commencement (6:00 pm)
May 7	Grades for ALL students due by 11:59 pm