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Dr. Susan Mattern-Parkes, Chair  
Executive Committee  
University Council  
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Dear Dr. Mattern-Parkes:

On February 19, 2007 the Educational Affairs Committee approved and voted to forward the attached 2008-2009 Academic Calendar to the Executive Committee of University Council for consideration and placement on the March 22, 2007 University Council agenda.

If you have questions concerning this item, please feel free to call (706) 542-3117 or contact me by email at [wvencill@uga.edu](mailto:wvencill@uga.edu).

Sincerely,

William K. Vencill, Chair  
Educational Affairs Committee

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c. Ms. Rebecca Macon, Registrar

**Proposed Academic Calendar for 2008 – 2009**  
Submitted by Rebecca Macon, February 2007

**Fall Semester 2008\***

Based on 50 minute classes (MWF), 75 minute classes (TTH), 15 weeks of classes, 75 days of classes

**Proposed changes based on recommendations of Fall Break Task Force and EAC: Classes start on Monday; One day for Fall Break; No classes during week of Thanksgiving.**

Orientation	Aug. 14	Thursday
Advisement/Registration	Aug. 15	Friday
Classes Begin	Aug. 18	Monday
Drop/Add for undergraduate level courses (1000 – 5999)	Aug. 18 – Aug. 21	Monday - Thursday
Drop/Add for graduate level courses (6000 – 9999)	Aug. 18 – Aug. 25	Monday – Following Monday
Holiday: Labor Day – No Classes	Sept. 1	Monday
Midterm	Oct. 9	Thursday
Midpoint Withdrawal Deadline	Oct. 14	Tuesday
Fall Break	Oct. 31	Friday
Last Day of Classes Prior to Thanksgiving Break	Nov. 21	Friday
Holidays: Thanksgiving	Nov. 24 - 28	Monday - Friday
Classes Resume	Dec. 1	Monday
Friday Class Schedule In Effect*	Dec. 9	Tuesday
Classes End	Dec. 9	Tuesday
Reading Day	Dec. 10	Wednesday
Final Exams	Dec. 11, 12, 15, 16, 17	Thurs. – Fri., Mon. – Wed.
Commencement	Dec. 19	Friday
Grades Due	Dec. 19, 7 PM	Friday, 7 PM

**\*Note: For the Fall Semester 2008, the University will operate a Friday class schedule on Tuesday, Dec. 9. This is done to equalize the class minutes between MWF and TTH classes and to provide an equal number of class meetings for courses which may meet only once per week.**

**Spring Semester 2009\***

Based on 50 minutes classes (MWF), 75 minutes classes (TTH), 15 weeks of classes, 75 days of classes

**Normally, spring classes begin on a Monday and final exams end on a Tuesday. Due to the fact that New Years' Day is on a Thursday with our first day back to work on a Friday (Jan. 2), it would be very difficult to have Orientation/Advising/Registration on that Friday in order for classes to begin the following Monday (Jan. 5). If we were to delay the first day of classes until the following Monday (Jan. 12), Commencement would not be until May 16. This would mean that the Maymester would not begin until May 19. In order to maintain the current sessions for Summer, Commencement would then not be until Aug. 8. Allowing for two weeks between the end of the Summer Term and the beginning of the Fall Semester, Fall classes would begin on Aug. 24 and the last day of Finals would be Dec. 23. Thus, we are recommending that Spring classes begin on a Thursday this year. This same scenario will be in effect for the next few years.**

Orientation	Jan. 6	Tuesday
Advisement/Registration	Jan. 7	Wednesday
Classes Begin	Jan. 8	Thursday
Drop/Add for undergraduate level courses (1000 – 5999)	Jan. 8 – Jan. 13	Thursday – Tuesday
Drop/Add for graduate level courses (6000 – 9999)	Jan. 8 – Jan. 15	Thursday – following Thursday
Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Jan. 19	Monday

Midterm	March 3	Tuesday
Midpoint Withdrawal Deadline	March 6	Friday
Last Day of Classes Prior to Spring Break	March 6	Friday
Spring Break	March 9 - 13	Monday – Friday
Classes Resume	March 16	Monday
Monday Class Schedule in Effect*	April 30	Thursday
Classes End	April 30	Thursday
Reading Day	May 1	Friday
Final Exams	May 4 - 8	Monday - Friday
Commencement	May 9	Saturday
Grades Due	May 12	Monday, 7 PM

**\*Note: For the Spring Semester 2009, the University will operate a Monday class schedule on Thursday, April 30. This is done to equalize the class minutes between MWF and TTH classes and to provide an equal number of class meetings for courses which may meet only once per week.**

### Summer 2009

#### May Session, Based on 150 minutes daily, 15 days of classes

Registration	May 11	Monday
Classes Begin	May 12	Tuesday
Drop/Add	May 12 – 13	Tuesday – Wednesday
Midterm	May 21	Thursday
Midpoint Withdrawal Deadline	May 21	Thursday
Holiday: Memorial Day	May 25	Monday
Classes End	June 2	Tuesday
Final Exams	June 3	Wednesday
Grades Due	June 5	Friday 7 PM
Commencement	Aug. 1	Saturday

#### Extended Summer Session: Based on 205 minutes per week for 11 weeks (2250 minutes for a 3 hour course).

Registration	May 11	Monday
Classes Begin	May 12	Tuesday
Drop/Add for Undergraduate-level courses (1000 – 5999)	May 12 – 15	Tuesday – Friday
Drop/Add for Graduate-level courses (6000 – 9999)	May 12 – 19	Tuesday – following Tuesday
Holiday: Memorial Day	May 26	Monday
Midterm	June 23	Tuesday
Midpoint Withdrawal Deadline	June 25	Thursday
Holiday: 4 <sup>th</sup> of July	July 3	Friday
Classes End	July 29	Wednesday
Final Exams	July 30 - 31	Thursday - Friday
Commencement	Aug. 1	Saturday
Grades Due	Aug. 3	Monday 7 PM

#### Thru Term: Based on 60 minutes daily, 38 days of class

Orientation	June 2	Tuesday
Advisement	June 3	Wednesday
Registration	June 4	Thursday
Classes Begin	June 5	Friday
Drop/Add	June 5 - 9	Friday - Tuesday
Midterm	July 1	Wednesday
Holiday: 4 <sup>th</sup> of July	July 3	Friday
Midpoint Withdrawal Deadline	July 6	Monday

Classes End	July 29	Wednesday
Final Exams	July 30 - 31	Thursday - Friday
Commencement	Aug. 1	Saturday
Grades Due	Aug. 3	Monday, 7 PM

**Short Session I: Based on 120 minutes daily, 19 days of classes**

Orientation	June 2	Tuesday
Advisement	June 3	Wednesday
Registration	June 4	Thursday
Classes Begin	June 5	Friday
Drop/Add	June 5 – 6	Friday - Monday
Midterm	June 18	Thursday
Midpoint Withdrawal Deadline	June 18	Thursday
Classes End	July 1	Wednesday
Final Exams	July 2	Thursday
Grades Due	July 6	Monday
Commencement	Aug. 1	Saturday

**Short Session II: Based on 120 minutes daily, 19 days of classes**

Registration	July 2	Thursday
Holiday: 4 <sup>th</sup> of July	July 3	Friday
Classes Begin	July 6	Monday
Drop/Add	July 6 - 7	Monday - Tuesday
Midterm	July 17	Friday
Midpoint Withdrawal Deadline	July 17	Friday
Classes End	July 30	Thursday
Final Exams	July 31	Friday
Commencement	Aug. 1	Saturday
Grades Due	Aug. 3	Monday, 7 PM