

COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL

Academic Calendar 2014–2015

Autumn Term 2014

August	
12	LLM Registration & Orientation
13-29	Classes in LLM <i>Introduction to American Law (IAL)</i> and <i>Legal Research & Writing</i> . IAL final exam on Sept. 19
13-29	Classes in JD intensive <i>Professional Responsibility</i> ; final exam on Sept. 19
15 and 18	1 st year JD Registration & Orientation
19-September 5	1 st year JD classes in <i>Legal Methods (LM)</i> and in <i>Legal Practice Workshop (LPW)</i> . LPW continues throughout the fall term; <i>Legal Methods</i> final exam on Sept. 19
25	Start of Change of Program Period (Add/Drop) - only voluntary changes until Sept. 2
29	End of classes in intensive <i>Professional Responsibility</i> and in <i>Introduction to American Law (IAL)</i>
September	
1	Labor Day - No classes
1	October 2014 Degree Candidates: Deadline to submit outstanding written work
2 (Tuesday)	First day of classes in term-long upper-year Law courses. First day of classes at other divisions of the University.
2-9	Law School Change of Program Period (Add/Drop) continues; action required on wait-list notifications
5	End of classes in 1L <i>Legal Methods</i>
8	First day of term-long 1L classes
9	End of Law School Change of Program Period; after this date changes only with permission of the Rules Committee, upon petition
9	3L's: Deadline to register for Major Writing Credit
19	Final exams for 1L <i>Legal Methods</i> , JD intensive <i>Professional Responsibility</i> , and LLM <i>IAL</i>
October	
1	October 2014 LLM Degree Candidates: Last day to file final copy of LLM Essay with Graduate Legal Studies
15	Final date to drop a Fall 2014 Law course (the notation of W will be recorded for these late drops)
15	LLM Writing Project registration deadline for fall term writing projects
15	Final date to submit outstanding 2013-14 written work that was granted an extension (Grades due by Nov. 15)
15	Conferral of October degrees
November	
27-28	Thanksgiving Holiday - No Classes
December	
1	May 2015 Degree Candidates: Degree applications due
3 (Wednesday)	Last day of 1L classes
4-8	1L study period (Exams Dec. 9-17)
5 (Friday)	Last day of upper-year Law classes
6-7	Upper-year study days (Exams Dec. 8-17)
8	Last day of classes at other divisions of the University
8-17	Upper-year exams
9-17	1L exams
17	Fall 2014 term ends; due date for submission of Fall 2014 written work
31	February 2015 Degree Candidates: Deadline to submit outstanding written work; last day to file final copy of LLM Essay with Graduate Legal Studies

Spring Term 2015

January	
12	Start of Change of Program Period (Add/Drop) - only voluntary changes until January 20
19	Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observed - No Classes
20 (Tuesday)	First day of all Law School classes. First day of classes at other divisions of the University
20-27	Law School Change of Program Period (Add/Drop) continues; action required on wait-list notification
27	End of Law School Change of Program Period; after this date changes only with permission of the Rules Committee, upon petition
27	3L's: Deadline to register for Minor Writing Credit
February	
1	3L's: Deadline to submit first draft of Major Writing Credit paper
1	LLM Writing Project registration deadline for spring term writing projects
11	Conferral of February 2015 degrees
15	Final date to drop a Spring 2015 Law course (the notation of W will be recorded for these late drops)
March	
16-20	Spring Recess - No Classes
April	
1	3L's: Deadline to submit final draft of Major Writing Credit paper
1	All students: Deadline to submit all outstanding Fall 2014 written work that was granted an extension
29 (Wednesday)	Last day of Law School classes
29	May 2015 Degree Candidates (JD & LLM): Deadline to submit all outstanding Spring 2015 written work
29	May 2015 LLM Degree Candidates: Last day to file final copy of LLM Essay with Graduate Legal Studies
30-May 3	Upper-year study period (Exams May 4-15)
30-May 5	1L study period (Exams May 6-15)
May	
4	Last day of classes at other divisions of the University
4-15	Upper-year exams
6-15	1L exams
15	Last day of exams for all Law courses
15	Continuing students: Due date for submission of Spring 2015 written work
15	Spring 2015 term ends
20 (Wednesday)	University Commencement & Degree Conferral
21 (Thursday)	Law School Graduation Ceremony

Updated with Date of Law School Graduation Ceremony
August 2014