

**COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL**  
**Academic Calendar 2018–2019**

**Autumn Term 2018**

**August**

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13-14	LLM Registration & Orientation
15	Start of LLM Classes in <i>Introduction to American Law</i> and in <i>LL.M. Legal Research &amp; Writing</i> .
20-22	1 <sup>st</sup> year JD Registration & Orientation
23	Start of 1 <sup>st</sup> year JD classes in <i>Legal Methods I</i> and <i>Legal Practice Workshop I</i> .
27-September 10	Change of Program Period
31	Last day of 1 <sup>st</sup> year JD class <i>Legal Methods I</i> and LLM class <i>Introduction to American Law</i>

**September**

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1	<b>October 2018 Degree Candidates:</b> Deadline to submit outstanding 2017-18 written work granted an extension
3	<b>Labor Day - No classes</b>
4	First day of classes in term-long Law School courses. First day of classes at other divisions of the University.
4-10	Change of Program Period continues; action required on wait-list notifications; after this date changes only with permission of the Rules Committee, upon petition.
11-October 15	Withdrawal from classes permitted; the notation of W will be recorded on the transcript
17	<b>3Ls:</b> Deadline to register for Major Writing Credit
17	Deadline for all students to register for supervised research
21	Final exam for 1 <sup>st</sup> year JD class <i>Legal Methods I</i>
28	Final exam for LLM class <i>Introduction to American Law</i>

**October**

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1	<b>LLMs:</b> registration deadline for fall term writing projects
1	<b>October 2018 LL.M. Degree Candidates:</b> Last day to file final copy of LLM Essay with Graduate Legal Studies
15	Final date to withdraw from a Fall 2018 Law School course; the grade of F will be recorded for withdrawals after this date.
15	Final date to submit outstanding 2017-18 written work that was granted an extension
17	Conferral of October degrees
25	1L study day
26	1L mid-term exams

**November**

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15	Grade submission deadline for outstanding 2017-2018 written work
22-23	<b>Thanksgiving Holiday - No Classes</b>
30	Last day of 1L classes

**December**

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1	<b>May 2019 Degree Candidates:</b> Degree applications due
1-6	1L study period
7-20	1L exams
7	Last day of upper-year Law School classes
8-9	Upper-year study days
10	Last day of classes at other divisions of the University
10-20	Upper-year exams
21	Additional day reserved for rescheduled exams; students expected to be available
21	Fall 2018 term ends; due date for submission of Fall 2018 written work
31	<b>February 2019 LL.M. Degree Candidates:</b> Deadline to submit outstanding written work; last day to file final copy of LL.M. Essay with Graduate Legal Studies

**Spring Term 2019**

**January**

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14-18	<i>Legal Methods II</i> and upper year January elective classes
14-28	Change of Program Period
18	Fall 2018 Grade submission deadline

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21	<b>Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observed - No Classes</b>
22	First day of all Law School classes. First day of classes at other divisions of the University
22-28	Change of Program Period continues; action required on wait-list notification; after this date changes only with permission of the Rules Committee, upon petition.
29-February 20	Withdrawal from classes permitted; the notation of W will be recorded on the transcript.

**February**

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1	<b>3Ls:</b> Deadline to submit first draft of Major Writing Credit paper
1	<b>LLMs:</b> registration deadline for spring term writing projects
4	<b>3Ls:</b> Deadline to register for Minor Writing Credit
4	Deadline for all students to register for supervised research
13	Conferral of February 2019 degrees
20	Final date to withdraw from a Spring 2019 Law School course; the grade of F will be recorded for withdrawals after this date.

**March**

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18-22            **Spring Recess - No Classes**

**April**

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1	<b>3Ls:</b> Deadline to submit final draft of Major Writing Credit paper
1	<b>All students:</b> Deadline to submit all outstanding Fall 2018 written work that was granted an extension

**May**

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1	Last day of Law School classes
1	<b>May 2019 JD Degree Candidates:</b> Deadline to submit all outstanding Spring 2019 written work
1	<b>May 2019 LLM Degree Candidates:</b> Deadline to submit all outstanding Spring 2019 written work.; Last day to file final copy of LLM Essay with Graduate Legal Studies
2-5	Upper-year study period.
2-6	1L study period
6	Last day of classes at other divisions of the University
6-16	Upper-year exams
7-16	1L exams
17	Additional day reserved for rescheduled exams; students expected to be available
17	Spring 2019 grade submission deadline for graduating students
17	<b>Continuing students:</b> Due date for submission of Spring 2019 written work
17	Spring 2019 term ends
TBD	Law School Graduation Ceremony
22	<b>University Commencement &amp; Degree Conferral</b>

**June**

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1	Spring 2019 grade submission deadline for continuing students in classes with enrollments of fewer than 150 students
11	Spring 2019 grade submission deadline for continuing students in classes with enrollments of 150 or more students
15	Deadline for students to apply for clerkships

**July**

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31	Last date submitted work will be considered for honors for 2018-2019 academic year
	Date upon which outstanding grades will be converted to F