

COLUMBIA LAW SCHOOL

Academic Calendar 2019–2020

Autumn Term 2019

August

12-13	LLM Registration & Orientation
14	Start of LLM Classes in <i>Introduction to American Law</i> and in <i>LL.M. Legal Research & Writing</i> .
19-21	1 st year JD Registration & Orientation
22	Start of 1 st year JD classes in <i>Legal Methods I</i> and <i>Legal Practice Workshop I</i> .
26-September 9	Change of Program Period
30	Last day of 1 st year JD class <i>Legal Methods I</i> and LLM class <i>Introduction to American Law</i>

September

1	October 2019 Degree Candidates: Deadline to submit outstanding 2018-19 written work granted an extension
2	Labor Day - No classes
3	First day of classes in term-long Law School courses. First day of classes at other divisions of the University.
3-9	Change of Program Period continues; action required on wait-list notifications; after this date changes only with permission of the Rules Committee, upon petition.
10-October 14	Withdrawal from classes permitted; the notation of W will be recorded on the transcript
16	3L's: Deadline to register for Major Writing Credit
16	Deadline for all students to register for supervised research
20	Final exams for 1 st year JD class <i>Legal Methods I</i> and LLM class <i>Introduction to American Law</i>

October

1	LLMs: registration deadline for fall term writing projects
1	October 2019 LL.M. Degree Candidates: Last day to file final copy of LLM Essay with Graduate Legal Studies
14	Final date to withdraw from a Fall 2019 Law School course; the grade of F will be recorded for withdrawals after this date.
15	Final date to submit outstanding 2018-19 written work that was granted an extension
16	Conferral of October degrees
24	IL study day
25	IL mid-term exams

November

15	Grade submission deadline for outstanding 2018-2019 written work
27	Last day of IL classes
28-29	Thanksgiving Holiday - No Classes
30-December 5	IL study period

December

1	May 2020 Degree Candidates: Degree applications due
6-20	IL exams
6	Last day of upper-year Law School classes
7-8	Upper-year study days
9	Last day of classes at other divisions of the University
9-20	Upper-year exams
20	Fall 2019 term ends; due date for submission of Fall 2019 written work
31	February 2020 LL.M. Degree Candidates: Deadline to submit outstanding written work; last day to file final copy of LL.M. Essay with Graduate Legal Studies

Spring Term 2020

January

13-17	<i>Legal Methods II</i> and upper year January elective classes
13-27	Change of Program Period
17	Fall 2019 grade submission deadline
20	Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observed - No Classes
21	First day of all Law School classes. First day of classes at other divisions of the University
21-27	Change of Program Period continues; action required on wait-list notification; after this date changes only with permission of the Rules Committee, upon petition.
28-February 19	Withdrawal from classes permitted; the notation of W will be recorded on the transcript.

February

- 1 **3L's:** Deadline to submit first draft of Major Writing Credit paper
- 1 **LLMs:** registration deadline for spring term writing projects
- 3 **3L's:** Deadline to register for Minor Writing Credit
- 3 Deadline for all students to register for supervised research
- 12 Conferral of February 2020 degrees
- 19 Final date to withdraw from a Spring 2020 Law School course; the grade of F will be recorded for withdrawals after this date.

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 2019 written work that was granted an extension
- 29 Last day of Law School classes
- 30-May 3 Upper-year study period.
- 30-May 4 1L study period

May

- 1 **May 2020 JD Degree Candidates:** Deadline to submit all outstanding Spring 2020 written work
- 1 **May 2020 LLM Degree Candidates:** Deadline to submit all outstanding Spring 2020 written work.; Last day to file final copy of LLM Essay with Graduate Legal Studies
- 4 Last day of classes at other divisions of the University
- 4-14 Upper-year exams
- 5-14 1L exams
- 15 Spring 2020 grade submission deadline for graduating students
- 15 **Continuing students:** Due date for submission of Spring 2020 written work
- 15 Spring 2020 term ends
- TBD Law School Graduation Ceremony
- 20 **University Commencement & Degree Conferral**

June

- 1 Spring 2020 grade submission deadline, continuing students in classes with enrollments of fewer than 150 students
- 11 Spring 2020 grade submission deadline for continuing students in classes with enrollments of 150 or more students
- 15 Deadline for students to apply for clerkships

July

- 31 Last date submitted work will be considered for honors for 2019-2020 academic year
Date upon which outstanding grades will be converted to F