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## 2022-23 Proposed Academic Calendar

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Mon, Nov 4, 2019 at 2:02 PM

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Hi Elaine and Aarti,

At today's Academic Calendar Committee meeting, the ACC unanimously voted to recommend the attached calendar for the 2022-23 academic year. While proposed academic calendars for particular years normally go only to the President's office, the ACC is recommending making permanent the approach that was used in the 2020-21 and 2021-22 academic calendars where the Fall Holiday was eliminated.

The Fall Holiday has its origins in the days when UG faculty assigned a midterm letter grade (A through F) to every student in every class. Now faculty assign grades only to the few students who are earning midterm grades of D+ or lower. When polled in 2018, the faculty chose overwhelming to eliminate the Fall Holiday for 2020-21 in order that the end of the semester not be so close to Christmas (vote totals attached). Such a calendar will come up again, and rather than have the Fall Holiday in some years and not in others the ACC recommends eliminating it entirely.

Functionally this means amending the Academic Calendar Guidelines (attached) to remove the second principle. Because the Senate has jurisdiction to make recommendations regarding changes to these Guidelines, I have included Aarti on this email.

On a separate matter that will come up later this year, the Student Affairs representative indicated at today's meeting that SA would like to start the Fall semester before Labor Day every year (and not just about half the time as occurs now). The SA representative will send a proposal to the ACC and we will discuss it at a later meeting. If a positive recommendation on this is made by the ACC then I will let both of you know as that would also entail a change to the Academic Calendar Guidelines.

Sincerely,  
Tom

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### 3 attachments



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**Acad Calendar Faculty Poll Results.pdf**  
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**academic calendar guidelines.doc**  
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## **ACADEMIC CALENDAR: 2022-2023**

### **Fall 2022: 41MWF, 28TTH**

<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>August 24</b>	<b>Final Registration/Fee Payment</b>
<b>Friday-Tuesday</b>	<b>August 26-30</b>	<b>Orientation</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>August 31</b>	<b>Classes begin</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>September 4</b>	<b>Labor Day</b>
<b>No Fall Holiday</b>		
<b>Wednesday - Friday</b>	<b>November 22-24</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Holiday</b>
<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 9</b>	<b>Last Day of Classes</b>
<b>Saturday - Sunday</b>	<b>December 10-11</b>	<b>Study Days</b>
<b>Monday – Friday</b>	<b>December 12-16</b>	<b>Final Examinations</b>

**Note: Classes on Friday, December 9 will meet on a Monday schedule**

### **Interession 2023**

**Wednesday, January 4 - Tuesday, January 24, 2023**

### **Spring 2023: 42 MWF, 28 TTH**

<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 19</b>	<b>Final Registration/Fee Payment</b>
<b>Monday-Wednesday</b>	<b>January 23 - 25</b>	<b>Spring Orientation</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>January 26</b>	<b>Classes begin</b>
<b>Monday-Friday</b>	<b>March 6-10</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>
<b>Thursday-Monday</b>	<b>April 6-10</b>	<b>Easter Break</b>
<b>Monday</b>	<b>May 15</b>	<b>Last Day of Classes</b>
<b>Tuesday-Wednesday</b>	<b>May 16 - 17</b>	<b>Study Days</b>
<b>Thursday-Wednesday</b>	<b>May 18 - 24</b>	<b>Final Examinations</b>
<b>Saturday - Sunday</b>	<b>May 27 - 28</b>	<b>Commencements</b>

### **Summer Sessions 2023**

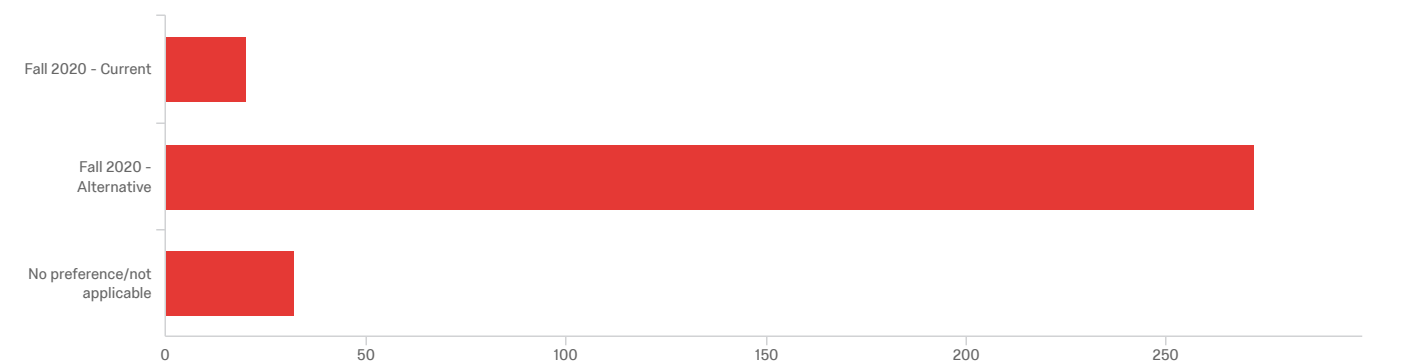
**Monday, June 5 - Friday, August 25, 2023**

# Default Report

Academic Calendar Faculty Poll

April 9, 2018 8:28 AM PDT

Q4 - Please vote:



#	Field	Choice Count
1	Fall 2020 - Current	6.17% 20
2	Fall 2020 - Alternative	83.95% 272
3	No preference/not applicable	9.88% 32
		324

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End of Report

## **Guidelines for the Creation of Academic Calendars at the University of San Diego**

The Academic Calendar Committee (ACC) conducts its calendar creation by following three criteria. They are:

1. That academic calendars at the University of San Diego should be of such length that there are 41 or 42 MWF class meeting days and 28 TTH class meeting days, each of which will occur 14 times during the semester and ACC should endeavor not to deviate from this criterion (in semesters where there are 41 MWF classes, the Friday class will meet for 13 times);
2. In keeping with the Board of Trustees decision (1991) no classes will meet on Holy Thursday; except Law school in years when spring and Easter are not merged and;
3. Based on the importance of Easter Sunday as a Christian holy day, the Monday after Easter Sunday will be considered a travel day and thus, classes will not meet on that day.

In addition, there are a number of principles which are not absolute, but are open to reexamination by future incarnations of the ACC. They are:

1. When possible, classes are to begin after Labor Day. (At the April 2, 2001 meeting, it was again reiterated that all members realize that this principle cannot always be met; the decision to seek a calendar built on the ideal 42/28 will require that in some years the Fall semester will begin before Labor Day);
2. A fall holiday of one day midway through the semester (i.e. between start of classes and the Thanksgiving holidays) will occur.
3. When possible, the last final of Fall semesters will not occur later than Dec. 21;
4. Spring registration and orientation are the Thursday and Friday preceding the beginning of Spring semester, which is the following Monday. These days may overlap the ending days of Intersession, but this is permissible;
5. Intersession will run for three weeks and be composed of 14 daytime meeting of 2 hours, 50 minutes each and 12 evening meetings of 3 hours, 15 minutes each;
6. When Easter falls close to the middle of the semester, one Spring break will occur. This break will begin on the Monday before Easter and conclude the Monday after Easter. When Easter occurs late in the semester, a full week of Spring break (Monday through Friday) will occur about midway between the start of classes (accounting for both the general academic calendar and that of the School of Law) and Easter with a second, shorter Easter break.
7. Easter break will begin on Holy Thursday and conclude at the end of Monday after Easter;
8. The University of San Diego shall maintain class meetings of 55 minutes for 3 credit classes that meet three times per week, 80 minutes for 3 credit classes that

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meet two times per week, and 2 hours 50 minutes for classes that meet once per week.

9. Class schedules on specific days shall not be altered for University-wide events, e.g., Mass of the Holy Spirit, All-Faith Service, and Honors Convocation. Such events shall occur during the TTh horarium period.

Amended as of 4/1/04 by the Academic Calendar Committee