

Guidelines for Calculating University Calendar Dates

Number of class days (excluding Martin Luther King, Jr. observance, holidays and weekends):

Fall = 72 days

Spring = 74 days

Summer full session = 68 days

Summer sessions (first and second) = 33 days

Classes begin:

Fall = Monday before Labor Day (72 class days)

Spring = second Monday of January (74 class days)

Summer #1 session = Monday — one week after Spring final exams end (33 class days)

Summer #2 session = The next Monday after session #1 ends (33 class days). If the Monday is July 3 then begin classes on Wednesday July 5 and end classes on a Friday in August.

Middle of semester:

= # of class days (excluding special events day, holidays and exams) divided by 2, (always rounding up), for Spring the middle of the semester should be before spring break.

Fall - 36th class day = middle of semester

Spring - 37th class day = middle of semester

Summer full session = 34th class day

Summer half session = 17th class day

Final Exams:

Fall and Spring - 5 days, Monday through Friday - For Spring only, exams end at Noon.

Summer - last class day for all sessions

Commencements:

Fall — Friday and Saturday before exams

Spring — Friday and Saturday and Sunday of exam week

Summer — no commencement

Holidays:

Holidays observed by the University are included as days without classes. They are: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving, and Christmas.

1. whenever any of these days falls on Sunday, Monday is the legal holiday and is scheduled as such
2. whenever Independence Day falls on Saturday, the preceding Friday will be observed

In the case of Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Year's Day, the following days are observed:

1. when the holiday falls on Saturday or Sunday, both Friday and Monday are observed
2. when the holiday falls on Monday, the Tuesday after the holiday is also observed
3. when the holiday falls on Tuesday or Wednesday or Friday, the day before the holiday is also observed
4. when the holiday falls on Thursday, Friday is also observed

No classes but the University is open for business. Martin Luther King, Jr. — January, the Monday following his BD of 1/15.

Memorial Day — last Monday in May

Independence Day (4th of July)

Labor Day — 1st Monday in September

Thanksgiving — 4th Thursday in November

Christmas Holiday

New Year's Holiday

MICHIGAN STATE
UNIVERSITY

February 8, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Ralph Putnam, UCAP Chairperson
Karin Wurst, UGC Chairperson
Jeremy Hernandez, UCSA Chairperson

FROM: Jon Sticklen, Chairperson
Executive Committee of Academic Council



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SUBJECT: Academic Assembly Bill #14-32 re: Creation of a Fall Break

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As you know, the Executive Committee of Academic Council met on Tuesday, February 7, 2006 and reviewed attached Bill #14-32 from Academic Assembly. It was agreed your committees would review the proposal and we would appreciate receiving a response no later than Monday, March 13, 2006. Please send your committee findings to Julie Harrison in the Academic Governance office at harris24@msu.edu.

Thank you!

ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF
MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC ASSEMBLY

FOURTEENTH SESSION

BILL NO. 14-32

INTRODUCED BY: Prasad

SECONDED BY: Hinojosa

A BILL TO: Support the Creation of a Fall Break

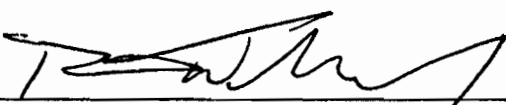
THE ASSOCIATED STUDENTS OF MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY ENACT:

- WHEREAS, The Academic Assembly has in past sessions supported the idea of a Fall Break for multiple reasons; and
- WHEREAS, A Fall Break would provide a brief period of time for students to rest and recuperate from midterms, give students time to finish backlogged work and studying, allow students who do not live locally a chance to return home to see family, and help ease stress and mental strain of the student body; and
- WHEREAS, There exists currently a proposal approved by the University Committee on Academic Policy on January 27, 2000 calling for the creation of a one day Fall Break; and
- WHEREAS, The UCAP proposal mysteriously disappeared from the Academic Governance system and has been lying dormant since then;
- WHEREAS, The Academic Assembly feels that a two day break to be observed on a Thursday and Friday, a Friday and Monday, or a Monday and Tuesday is of more use to students than the one day break supported by UCAP, not least because of the increase in fuel costs associated with traveling since 2000; therefore be it
- RESOLVED, The Academic Assembly requests that the Fall Break proposal be returned to UCAP with the request that the proposal now call for a two day break attached to a weekend; and be it further
- RESOLVED, While the Academic Assembly prefers a break of two days, it supports a Fall Break of either length.

INTRODUCED ON January 17, 2006

SPECIAL ACTION TAKEN _____ DATE _____

FINAL ACTION TAKEN	<u>X</u>	<u>19-0-0</u>	<u>January 17, 2006</u>
	PASSED	FAILED	VOTE
			DATE



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