2015–2016 Academic Calendar

Fall Semester 2015

October 1–November 30, 2014
Priority Undergraduate Application Filing Period for fall 2015 admission.

October 1, 2014–March 1, 2015
Priority Graduate and Credential Programs Application Filing Period for Fall 2015 admission.

October 25, 2014
Chico Preview Day. Interested prospective students and families visit campus; take tours, and meet academic representatives.

December 15, 2014
Last day to apply for 2015/2016 scholarships.
Last day to apply for bachelor's degree expected in December 2015.

January 1–March 2, 2015
Priority Filing Period for 2015/2016 financial aid applications.

March 1
Graduate and Credential Programs application deadline for fall 2015 admission.

April 3
Last day to file an appeal for academic reinstatement for fall 2015.

April 11
Choose Chico! Open house for admitted students and families. The day will include sessions, campus tours, and academic presentations.

April 13–July 29
Registration (Priority). Check the Class Schedule on the CSU, Chico Web for registration begin/end dates.

May 1
Intent to Enroll Deadline and Enrollment Confirmation Deposit due for admitted (Fall) Undergraduate applicants.

June 9–July 23
Orientation programs and academic advising for new students.

July 15
Final Document Deadline for completion of admission file. Transcripts should be postmarked by no later than Wednesday, July 15.

July 29
Registration (Priority) Deadline for Fall 2015.

Registration & Tuition Fee Payment Deadline. Deadline for students with registration activity (including waitlist only) between April 13-July 29. Students who fail to pay fees or do not have sufficient financial aid to pay fees will be assessed a late fee, will not be able to add classes during Registration Add/Drop Period, and may have classes dropped for non-payment.

August 3–September 4
Registration Add/Drop Period. Students must have paid registration and tuition fees or have sufficient anticipated aid to pay fees to add classes.

August 14
2nd Registration & Tuition Fee Payment Deadline. Deadline for students with registration activity (including waitlist only) between August 3-August 14. Students who fail to pay fees or do not have sufficient financial aid to pay fees will be assessed a late fee, will not be able to add classes during Registration Add/Drop Period, and may have classes dropped for non-payment.

August 19
Academic year begins; all faculty on duty.

August 19–21
Wildcat Welcome Welcome activities for new students.

August 20
Financial Aid Refunds. First financial aid refunds disbursed by Direct Deposit or mail to students who have met all processing requirements and who have a credit balance after total charges are paid.

August 23
Last day to drop all classes to receive a full refund (less administrative fee).

August 24
Fall Classes Begin.
Term withdrawals on or after this date (but by October 27) will be eligible for a prorated refund of registration fees and non-resident tuition. Fall credential filing period begins.

September 4
Last day to add or drop classes without special permission of instructor. You are financially responsible for any classes in which you are enrolled on this date plus any classes in which you subsequently enroll.

September 7
Labor Day. Campus closed.

September 15
Spring credential filing period deadline.

September 18
Census Date. No adding, dropping of classes, or changing of grade option beyond this date without a serious and compelling reason approved by the instructor, department chair, and college dean. Financial aid may be adjusted based on less than full time enrollment at census date.

Last day for Open University students to pay fees without late charge. Deadline for master's students who are not regularly enrolled to register for adjunct enrollment. Last day to apply for a master's degree expected in December 2015.

September 29
A late fee for each submission of an Add/Drop Request form begins.

October 16
Last day to apply without a late charge for a California teaching credential expected in December 2015.

October 27
Withdrawals after this date will not receive any financial credit for refund.

November 11
Veterans Day. Campus closed.

November 16–December 11
Dropping classes permitted only because of serious illness or accident and with the approval of the college dean.

November 23–27
Thanksgiving Break. No classes held.
November 30
Last day for master's degree candidates to take oral/comprehensive examinations, submit thesis/terminal project, and submit final progress sheet to Graduate Studies.

December 14–18
Final Exam Week. See Final Examination Schedule in the Portal on the CSU, Chico Web.

December 14–31
Winter grades due to the Office of the Registrar.

December 21–January 22
Winter Break.

December 25
Christmas Day. Campus closed.

December 31
Fall 2015 semester ends.

Official fall semester graduation date.

Winter Session 2016

Winter Session registration period for courses offered through the Center for Regional and Continuing Education.

January 1
New Year's Day. Campus Closed.

January 4
Winter Session Classes Begin.

January 5–6
Adds and drops require instructor approval. Use Continuing Education Add/Drop form.

January 7–22
Adds and drops require serious and compelling reason and instructor, chair, and dean approval.

January 18
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Campus closed.

January 22
Last day of Winter Session classes.

January 31
Winter Session grades due.
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Spring Semester 2016

May 15, 2015  Last day to apply for a bachelor's degree expected in May 2016.


August 1–September 15, 2015  Priority Graduate and Credential Programs Application Filing Period for Spring 2015 admission.

September 15, 2015  Graduate and Credential Programs application deadline for Spring 2016 admission.

September 18, 2015  Last day to file an appeal for academic reinstatement for Spring 2016.

October 15, 2015  Final Document Deadline for completion of admission file. Transcripts should be received by NO LATER than Thursday, October 15.

October 19–December 4, 2015  Registration (Priority). Check the Class Schedule on the CSU, Chico Web for registration begin/end dates.

November 15, 2015  Intent to Enroll Deadline and Enrollment Confirmation Deposit due for (Spring) Undergraduate applicants.


December 10–19, 2015  Registration & Tuition Fee Payment Deadline. Deadline for students with registration activity (including waitlist only) between October 19–December 10. Students who fail to pay fees or do not have sufficient financial aid to pay fees will be assessed a late fee, will not be able to add classes during Registration Add/Drop Period, and may have classes dropped for non-payment.

January 4–February 5  Registration Add/Drop Period. Students must have paid fees or have sufficient anticipated aid to pay fees to add classes.

January 15  2nd Registration & Tuition Fee Payment Deadline. Deadline for students with registration activity (including waitlist only) between January 4–January 15. Students who fail to pay fees or do not have sufficient financial aid to pay fees will be assessed a late fee, will not be able to add classes during Registration Add/Drop Period, and may have classes dropped for non-payment.

January 18  Martin Luther King, Jr. Day. Campus closed.

January 21  Spring semester begins; all faculty on duty.

January 24  Financial Aid Refunds. First financial aid refunds disbursed by direct deposit or mail to students who have met all processing requirements and who have a credit balance after total charges are paid.

January 25  Spring Classes Begin.

February 5  Last day to add or drop classes without special permission of instructor. You are financially responsible for any classes in which you are enrolled on this date plus any classes in which you subsequently enroll.

February 19  Census Date. No adding, dropping of classes, or changing of grade option beyond this date without a serious and compelling reason approved by the instructor, department chair, and college dean. Financial aid may be adjusted based on less than full time enrollment at census date.

February 19  Deadline for master’s degree students who are not regularly enrolled to register for adjunct enrollment.

March 1  A late fee for each submission of an Add/Drop Request form begins. Fall 2016 credential filing period deadline.

March 14–18  Spring Break. No classes held.

March 31  César Chávez Day. Campus closed.

April 7  Withdrawal after this date will not receive any financial credit for refund.

April 15  Last day to apply without a late charge for a California teaching credential expected in May or August 2016.

April 22  Last day for master’s degree candidates to take oral/comprehensive examination, submit thesis/terminal project, and submit final progress sheet to Graduate Studies.

April 25–May 13  Dropping classes permitted only because of serious illness or accident and with the approval of the college dean.

May 16–20  Final Exam Week. See Final Examination Schedule in the Portal on the CSU, Chico Web.

May 16–31  Spring semester grades due to the Office of Registrar.

May 19–22  Commencement.

May 30  Memorial Day. Campus closed.

May 31  Spring 2016 semester and academic year ends. Official Spring semester graduation date.

Summer Term 2016

August 14, 2015  Last day to apply for a bachelor's degree expected in August 2016.

April 4–August 16  Summer Session (offered by Regional and Continuing Education) and State Summer Term Registration Period. See the Class Schedule online for more information.

May 19  Fee Payment Deadline for limited State-support Summer Term classes—limited courses/programs include: Masters in Social Work, English Grad Programs and limited English internships.

June 1–August 16  Summer Term courses of varying lengths will be scheduled between these dates. See the Class Schedule online for more information.

June 6–August 19  The University observes summer hours. Monday–Thursday, 7 am–5:30 pm, closed Fridays.

June 13  Last day to apply for master's degree expected in August 2016.


August 8  Last day for master’s degree candidates to take oral/comprehensive examination, submit thesis/terminal project, and submit final progress sheet to Graduate Studies.

August 19  Summer grades due to the Office of the Registrar.

August 31  Official summer term graduation date.

PLEASE NOTE: THIS ACADEMIC CALENDAR DOES NOT INDICATE WORK DAYS.