

March 2024

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**February 29/March 6**  
Advising Workshops

**March 3-9**  
Spring Break

**March 14**  
Fall Registration Begins

**March 24**  
Honors Convocation

**March 27**  
Last Day to Withdraw  
(full semester courses)

**March 29-31**  
Easter Holiday

**April 29**  
Final Grades Due

**May 11**  
Commencement

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## Advising Workshops

All advisors are encouraged to attend Advising Workshops to learn about best practices and updates.  
**F2F:** Thursday, February 29 (12:45 to 1:45 in the CETL Classroom—McNichols Library Room 324)  
**Online:** Wednesday, March 6 (10:00 to 11:00 on [Zoom](#)). *Attend either for a chance to win a \$50 gift!*

## Check Mid-Term Grades!

Mid-term grades are due from instructors on February 27. Check your advisees' midterm grades and remind them to check their own at [my.udmercy.edu](#). Encourage students to talk to their professors if there is a grade they aren't happy with or if they want to improve their performance. Students can take advantage of free academic support at the [Student Success Center](#) and [The Writing Center](#).

## Withdraw Deadline

If it is in their best interest to drop a course, students can now drop online if they do not have a hold or submit the [Change in Registration form](#). If a student is dropping below 12 credits they should check with their [financial aid counselor](#). The **Last Day to Withdraw** for full semester courses is March 27; withdraw deadlines for shorter courses are available under Class Details on the class schedule.

## Priority Registration for Athletes and Veterans

Athletes and veterans can register starting on **March 14** at 8:30 am. Registration by classification begins **March 18** at midnight based on earned credits. See the complete registration schedule [here](#).

## Graduating Seniors

Advisors should remind graduating students that they must apply for graduation *and* RSVP for commencement. Students apply for graduation through their student profile on [my.udmercy.edu](#). Advisors can check that advisees have applied in the Student Information section of their student profile page. Students must RSVP for commencement by April 26 on the [commencement website](#).

## Release Advising Holds *before* Registration (new for some programs)

Most undergraduates must have their advising hold released in order to register for classes. Advising holds ensure that students are getting individualized guidance and support. After advising, go to Holds on the top right corner of the student profile page, check the Advising Hold box and click Release. Enter advising notes under "Notes" in Student Information section, *not* the hold release box.

## Run Degree Evaluation during Advising and after Registration

Students and advisors should run Degree Evaluations every semester to help ensure progress towards graduation. During advising sessions review all Degree Evaluation rows with "No" and make a plan to complete major, minor, and [Core requirements](#). Students should also run a new Degree Evaluation immediately *after* registering to ensure that courses are meeting expected requirements.

## Summer Classes at UDM or another institution

UDM offers a number of summer classes for a [discounted rate](#) of \$333 per course. To enroll in a summer class at a community college or other institution, students should review the [transfer credit system](#) and submit the [request for guest/transfer credit](#) form *before* they take the course. The final 30 credits of a student's degree must be taken at UDM according to the Senior Residency rule.