



ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY RE-OPEN PLAN FALL 2020

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Francis Marion University is making a slight adjustment to the university's academic calendar as part of its ongoing effort to conduct fall classes in a safe and responsible manner. The last day of classes for the fall semester is now Wednesday, Nov. 25, the day before Thanksgiving. Previously, the last day of classes was Nov. 30 and Nov. 25 was not a scheduled class day.

This change allows students to travel home and remain with their families throughout the holiday season.

Faculty will have the option of giving final exams in person, prior to the end of classes, or giving exams online during the exam period. Grades will be due as previously scheduled.

Fall commencement is scheduled for December 12, 2020. The university will make adjustments to commencement as necessary, depending upon the safety standards and protocols in place closer to that date.

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION • TIME
AUGUST		
Aug. 13	FMU Students move in by appointment	Housing Office
- Sept. 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Move in by reservation in 2 hr. period, with 2 helpers, and 2 vehicles • Meal Plan starts Friday, Aug. 28 with grab and go dinner option service 	by Appointment
Aug. 13	CAB moves in housing early	2:00pm – 4:00pm
Aug. 13	Joint SGA/CAB Training	4:00pm – 6:00pm
Aug. 17	International Student Orientation	In-Person / Virtual
Aug. 17	Fall Classes Begin	Virtual
Aug. 20	Virtual Karaoke	Virtual • 4:30pm-6:00pm
Aug. 27	Virtual Open Mic	Virtual • 4:30pm-6:00pm
Aug. 31	Kahoot/JackBox Event	UC & Virtual • 3:00pm-5:00pm
SEPTEMBER		
Sept. 1	CAB Event: Self-Care Series Online begins	Virtual • 5:00pm-6:00pm
Sept. 2	Welcome Event: BCM Campus Cookout & Games on the Lawn	UC Lawn • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Sept. 3	Welcome Event: Meet the Greeks Ice Cream Social	UC Lawn • 4:00pm-6:00pm
Sept. 3	Sticker Event Winners Announced	
Sept. 3	Welcome Event: CAB/SGA sponsored Movie on the Lawn	UC Lawn • 7:00pm-9:00pm
Sept. 8	Fall Classes Begin In-Person	
Sept. 8	Welcome Event: SGA/CAB presents Comedian Ronnie Jordan	UC / CA • 8:00pm-10:00pm
Sept. 9	AAFS Coalition COOKOUT	UC Lawn • 4:00pm-6:00pm
Sept. 10	Community Town hall "Your FMU Campus Police Introductions and then Q & A session"	UC / GYM • 3:00pm- 4:00pm
Sept. 10	Welcome Event: AKA sponsored Movie on the Lawn	UC Lawn • 8:08pm-10:08pm
Sept. 11	Patriot Day (Wear your FMU Patriot Wear!)	



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Sept. 15	Virtual Student Organization Training	Virtual • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Sept. 15-25	IFC Formal Recruitment Period	
Sept. 15	IFC Recruitment Kickoff	7pm-9pm
Sept. 16	CAB Event: UC After Dark: Paint Night	UC Commons or Virtual • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Sept. 17	Constitution Day - Voter Registration	FH Fountain/Breezeway • 11:00am-1:00pm
	Voter Registration	UC Commons • 2:00pm-5pm
Sept. 17	“Concert on the Porch: Our voices as one”	
	Rev. Graves/YGB concert/ Remembrance ceremony	UC Lawn • 3:30pm- 5pm
Sept. 17	SGA Senate Session	
Sept. 21-24	SGA Week events on campus (daily M-T)	
Sept. 21	FMU’s GOT TALENT - Online show debuts with Auditions	Virtual • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Sept. 22	Alcohol Awareness Day Events with Campus Police	Campus Wide • 10:00am-1:00pm
Sept. 23	Commuter Student Appreciation Day	
Sept. 23	UC After Dark Event – Bingo	UC Commons • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Sept. 24	Virtual Student Activities Fair	Virtual • 1:00pm-5:00pm
	Pre-recorded introductions from all student organizations will also be posted this day. They will run throughout the month of September.	
Sept. 24	DRIVE-IN Movie – Birds of Prey	Parking Lot F or Soccer Fields • 7:00pm- 9:00pm
Sept. 25-27	NPC (Panhellenic Sororities) Formal Recruitment Period	
Sept. 28	Dr. Darden Event	PAC • Noon-2:00pm
		Chapman • 7:00pm-8:00pm
Sept. 30	FMU’s GOT TALENT Digital Round 1	Virtual • 5:00pm-7:00pm

OCTOBER

Oct. 1	Food Truck Thursday	TBA • 12pm-3:30pm
Oct. 1	TKE Social Day	
Oct. 1	SGA Senate Session	
Oct. 5 – 7	Mental Health Awareness SGA Programming events (daily M-W)	
Oct. 6	Your Lives Matter: Students Speak Out	
	Round Table Discussion Q & A	Chapman Aud. • 6:30pm-8pm
Oct. 7	UC After Dark Event – Murder Mystery	University Center • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Oct. 8	Student Leadership Reception*	Wallace House • TBA
Oct. 14	FMU’s GOT TALENT - On-line show continues with Round 2	Virtual • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Oct. 14	Fall Career Fair	Virtual • TBA
Oct. 15-17	Fall Theatre Production: Durang It! An Evening of Durang*	TBA • TBA
Oct. 15	SGA Senate Session	
Oct. 19	Hispanic Heritage Program	TBA • 4:00pm–6:00pm
Oct. 21	UC After Dark Event – Pumpkin Carving/Painting	University Center • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Oct. 22	Greek Night Mixer	Grille • 7:00pm-9:00pm



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Oct. 24	FM A'GLOW Festival*	On Campus • TBA
Oct. 26	SGA Event: "Money Talk Monday"	
Oct. 29	SGA Senate Session	
Oct. 29	Carn-Evil Event, sponsored by SGA & CAB*	UC Commons • 7:00pm-9:00pm

NOVEMBER

Nov. 3	SCSL Election Return Watch Party	UC Commons • 7:00pm-9:00pm
Nov. 4	CAB "Lip Synch Battle"	Virtual • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Nov. 5	Cultural Food Festival	UC Commons • NOON-3pm
Nov. 9	Diversity Summit: An America For All	Virtual • TBA
Nov. 10	Self-Care Series	Virtual • 5:00pm-6:00pm
Nov. 11	UC After Dark Event – Family Game Night	UC Commons • 5:00pm-7:00pm
Nov. 12	SGA Senate Session: SGA leadership to ratify and approve the "FMU Community Pledge"	University Center • TBA
Nov. 18	Native American Heritage Program	TBA • 4:00pm-6:00pm
Nov. 19	Greek Night Mixer	Grille • 7:00pm-9:00pm
Nov. 21	Color Run Event*	TBA • 10am – 1pm
Nov. 25	SGA Event: Donuts for the Last Day of Class!	
Nov. 26 – 27	Thanksgiving Break: University Closed	
Nov. 30	Classes Resume virtually for instruction and final exams	

* If conditions allow