



ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026 - 2027

SUMMER SESSION 2026

Beginning Friday, May 22, and ending Sunday, Aug. 9, all general-use facilities will be closed Fridays through Sundays. The University & Business Center, Early Childhood Lab School, Events Center, and Visual & Performing Arts Center will be open as scheduled.

Fri., May 22 – Mon., May 25	All Facilities Closed: Memorial Day Weekend
Mon., June 1	Summer Session I Begins
Mon., June 8	Summer Session II Begins
Fri., June 19	All Facilities Closed: Juneteenth
Sat., July 4	All Facilities Closed: Independence Day
Mon., July 6	Summer Session III Begins
Thurs., Aug. 6	End of Summer Session Classes

Note: Summer session grades are due by 4 pm the Monday following the last day of class.

FALL SEMESTER 2026

Tues., Aug. 18 – Wed., Aug. 19	New Full-Time Faculty Orientation
Thurs., Aug. 20	College Convocation
Fri., Aug. 21	New Student Convocation
Mon., Aug. 24	Fall Semester Begins
Sat., Sept. 5 - Mon., Sept. 7	All Facilities Closed: Labor Day (No Classes Labor Day Weekend)
Mon., Sept. 28	12-Week Fall Session Begins
Mon., Oct. 26	2nd 8-Week Fall Session Begins
5 pm Wed., Nov. 25 – Sun., Nov 29	All Facilities Closed: Thanksgiving Recess
Thurs., Dec. 17	Fall Semester Classes End
Fri., Dec. 18	Grading Day/Semester Ends
Sat., Dec. 19	Graduation
Mon., Dec. 21	Grades Due by 4 pm
5 pm Wed., Dec. 23 – Sun. Jan. 3	All Facilities Closed: Winter Recess

SPRING SEMESTER 2027

Mon., Jan. 4	Offices Reopen
Tues., Jan. 11 – Wed., Jan. 12	New Full-Time Faculty Orientation
Thurs., Jan. 14	College Convocation
Fri., Jan. 15	New Student Convocation
Mon., Jan. 18	All Facilities Closed: Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
Tues., Jan. 19	Spring Semester Begins
Mon., Feb. 15	All Facilities Closed: Presidents' Day
Tues., Feb. 22	12-Week Spring Session Begins
Mon., Mar. 22	2nd 8-Week Spring Session Begins
Mon., Mar. 29 – Sun. Apr. 4	All Facilities Closed: Spring Recess
Wed., May 19	Spring Semester Classes End
Thurs., May 20	Grading Day/Semester Ends
Fri., May 21	State of Illinois High School Diploma Graduation Ceremony
Sat., May 22	Graduation
Mon., May 24	Grades Due by 4 pm
Mon., May 31	All Facilities Closed: Memorial Day Weekend

Final examinations or other appropriate final evaluation activities will be held within regularly scheduled class hours. The number of weeks classes are offered may vary. Please check the College website www.elgin.edu for information regarding registration, financial aid, and payment.

8/18/15, 9/14/15, 7/19/16; 8/19/16; 6/29/17;6/5/19;5/20/20;6/7/21;7/27;6/14/22; 5/25/23

ECC Important Date List for Students: 2026-2027

Registration, Payments and Financial Aid Dates

Event	SU26	FA26	SP27
Priority permits posted	March 2, 2026	March 2, 2026	October 1, 2026
Schedule available online-Estimated date	March 10, 2026	March 10, 2026	October 15, 2026
Catalog available-Estimated date	March 16, 2026	March 16, 2026	March 16, 2026
Priority date for submitting FAFSA & required paperwork to ECC: If your financial aid is completed by this date, your financial aid will be processed by the tuition due date, and you will not need to set up a payment plan	April 1, 2026	July 1, 2026	November 1, 2026
Continuing student registration	April 13, 2026	April 13, 2026	November 2, 2026
Open registration	April 20, 2026	April 20, 2026	November 9, 2026
Registration billing statements	Online Only @ accessECC		
BOOKS-First day students can charge to financial aid	May 18, 2026	August 3, 2026	January 4, 2027
Tuition payment due date: All tuition must be paid by 7 p.m. CST in order to avoid being dropped for non-payment. The system begins processing drops at 7 p.m.	May 19, 2026	August 11, 2026	January 5, 2027
Waitlist-final run date	May 20, 2026	August 12, 2026	January 6, 2027
Term start date	June 1, 2026	August 24, 2026	January 19, 2027
Refund checks available: First process date. Students who do NOT have financial aid can call 847-214-7380 to request refund sooner. After date listed, refunds are processed weekly on Fridays (Thursdays in summer term).	June 18, 2026	September 4, 2026	January 29, 2027
Payment plans for late enrollees-last day plan available	June 22, 2026	September 21, 2026	February 15, 2027
Last day to charge books to financial aid for the term	July 2, 2026	October 16, 2026	March 12, 2027
Last day to academically withdraw from classes	www.elgin.edu/withdraw		
Financial aid excess checks available for eligible students: Loan students must be attending 6 or more credit hours.	July 9, 2026	October 30, 2026	March 26, 2027
2025-2026 Financial Aid Deadline: In order to receive financial aid, and if otherwise eligible, your financial aid file must be complete and all required and requested paperwork must be submitted on or before this date. No updates, changes, or processing of financial aid will take place after this date for the 25-26 award year.	May 19, 2027	May 19, 2027	May 19, 2027
Grades due by 4pm	August 10, 2026	December 21, 2026	May 24, 2027
ECC reserves the right to change these dates			
<i>Updated 6/11/2025</i>			
Frequently Called Phone Numbers			
Financial Aid: 847-214-7360 Student Accounts: 847-214-7380 Registration: 847-214-7393			