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2025 - 2027

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Academic Calendar

2025 – 2026

Undergraduate Program

Fall 2025 Semester

August 11	Faculty Institute
August 12-13	Student Arrival
August 14-16	Student Orientation / Placement Testing
August 15	Registration – New Students
August 18	Classes Begin / Opening Prayer Service
August 22	Drop/Add Period Ends
September 1	No Classes (Labor Day)
September 6	SVD Family Feast - Saturday
October 10	Mid-Semester
October 17	Withdrawal Deadline
October 17	No Classes
October 19	Mission Sunday
October 20	No Classes / Faculty In-Service
November 5-7	Registration – Spring Semester
November 27-28	No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)
December 5	Classes End
December 8-11	Final Exams
December 13	Christmas Break Begins

Spring 2026 Semester

January 6-7	Student Arrival
January 8-10	Student Orientation / Placement Testing
January 9	Registration – New Students
January 12	Classes Begin
January 16	Drop/Add Period Ends
February 25	No Classes / Faculty In-Service
March 6	Mid-Semester
March 9-13	No Classes (Spring Break)
March 20	Withdrawal Deadline
April 2-3	No Classes (Holy Triduum)
April 5	Easter Sunday
April 6	No Classes (Easter Monday)
April 8-10	Registration – Fall Semester
May 8	Classes End
May 11-14	Final Exams
May 15	DWC Commencement
May 16	Summer Break Begins

Intensive English Language Institute

Fall 2025 – ESL Term A

August 11	Faculty Institute
August 12-13	Student Arrival
August 14-16	Student Orientation / Placement Testing
August 15	Registration – New ESL Students
August 18	Classes Begin / Opening Prayer Service
August 22	Drop/Add Period Ends
September 1	No Classes (Labor Day)
September 6	SVD Family Feast - Saturday
September 12	Mid-Term
September 19	Withdrawal Deadline
October 8	Classes End
October 9	End-of-Term Testing
October 10	No Classes / Registration – Returning ESL Students

Fall 2025 – ESL Term B

October 11-12	Student Arrival
October 13	Student Orientation / Placement Testing
October 14	Registration – New ESL Students
October 15	Classes Begin
October 17	No Classes
October 19	Mission Sunday
October 20	No Classes / Faculty In-Service
October 23	Drop/Add Period Ends
November 12	Mid-Term
November 19	Withdrawal Deadline
November 27-28	No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)
December 10	Classes End
December 11	End-of-Term Testing
December 12	No Classes / Registration – Returning ESL Students
December 13	Christmas Break Begins

Spring 2026 – ESL Term C

January 6-7	Student Arrival
January 8-10	Student Orientation / Placement Testing
January 9	Registration – New ESL Students
January 12	Classes Begin
January 16	Drop/Add Period Ends
February 5	Mid-Term
February 12	Withdrawal Deadline
February 25	No Classes / Faculty In-Service
March 4	Classes End
March 5	End-of-Term Testing
March 6	No Classes / Registration – Returning ESL Students
March 9-13	No Classes (Spring Break)

Spring 2026 – ESL Term D

March 14-15	Student Arrival
March 16	Student Orientation / Placement Testing
March 17	Registration – New ESL Students
March 18	Classes Begin
March 24	Drop/Add Period Ends
April 2-3	No Classes (Holy Triduum)
April 5	Easter Sunday
April 6	No Classes (Easter Monday)
April 16	Mid-Term
April 23	Withdrawal Deadline
May 12	Classes End
May 13	End-of-Term Testing
May 14	No Classes / Registration – Returning ESL Students
May 15	DWC Commencement
May 16	Summer Break Begins

Summer 2026 – ESL Term E

May 25	No Classes (Memorial Day)
May 27-28	Student Arrival
May 29	Student Orientation / Placement Testing
May 29	Registration – New ESL Students
June 1	Classes Begin
June 5	Drop/Add Period Ends
June 18	Mid-Term
June 25	Withdrawal Deadline
July 3	No Classes (USA Independence Day)
July 8	Classes End
July 9	End-of-Term Testing

Undergraduate Program

Fall 2025 – Intensive O-Term (October)

October 13	Classes Begin
October 17	No Classes
October 19	Mission Sunday
October 20	No Classes / Faculty In-Service
November 5-7	Registration – Spring Semester
November 10	Mid-Term
November 14	Withdrawal Deadline
November 27-28	No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)
December 9	Classes End
December 10-11	Final Exams
December 13	Christmas Break Begins

Spring 2026 – Intensive M-Term (March)

March 16	Classes Begin
April 2-3	No Classes (Holy Triduum)
April 5	Easter Sunday
April 6	No Classes (Easter Monday)
April 8-10	Registration – Fall Semester
April 14	Mid-Term
April 21	Withdrawal Deadline
May 11	Classes End
May 12-13	Final Exams
May 15	DWC Commencement
May 16	Summer Break Begins

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Undergraduate Program

Fall 2026 Semester

August 10	Faculty Institute
August 11-12	Student Arrival
August 13-15	Student Orientation/ Placement
August 14	Testing Registration-New Students
August 17	Classes Begin/ Opening Prayer
August 21	Service Drop/Add Period Ends
September 5	SVD Family Feast- Saturday
September 7	No Classes (Labor Day)
October 9	Mid-Semester
October 16	Withdrawal Deadline
October 16	No Classes
October 18	Mission Sunday
October 19	No Classes/ Faculty In-Service
November 4-6	Registration- Spring Semester
November 26-27	No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)
December 4	Classes End
December 7-11	Final Exams Christmas Break
December 12	Begins

Spring 2027 Semester

January 5-6	Student Arrival
January 7-9	Student Orientation/ Placement
January 8	Registration- New Students
January 11	Classes Begin
January 15	Drop/Add Period Ends
February 15	No Classes/ Faculty In-Service
March 5	Mid-Semester
March 8-12	No Classes (Spring Break)
March 19	Withdrawal Deadline
March 25-27	No Classes (Holy Triduum)
March 28	Easter Sunday
March 29	No Classes (Easter Monday)
April 7-9	Registration- Fall Semester
May 7	Classes End
May 10-13	Final Exams
May 14	DWC Commencement
May 15	Summer Break Begins

Intensive English Language Institute

Fall 2026- ESL Term A

August 10	Faculty Institute
August 11-12	Student Arrival
August 13-15	Student Orientation/ Placement Testing
August 14	Registration-New Students
August 17	Classes Begin/ Opening Prayer Service
August 21	Drop/Add Period Ends
September 5	SVD Family Feast- Saturday
September 7	No Classes (Labor Day)
September 11	Mid-Term
September 18	Withdrawal Deadline
October 7	Classes End
October 8	End-of-Term Testing
October 9	No Classes/Registration- Returning ESL Students

Fall 2026- ESL Term B

October 10-11	Student Arrival
October 12	Student Orientation/ Placement Testing
October 13	Registration-New Students
October 14	Classes Begin
October 18	Mission Sunday
October 19	No Classes/ Faculty In-Service
October 21	Drop/Add Period Ends
November 11	Mid-Term
November 18	Withdrawal Deadline
November 26-27	No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)
December 9	Classes End
December 10	End-of-Term Testing
December 11	No Classes/Registration- Returning ESL Students
December 12	Christmas Break Begins

Spring 2027- ESL Term C

January 5-6	Student Arrival
January 7-9	Student Orientation/ Placement Testing
January 8	Testing Registration- New Students
January 11	Classes Begin
January 15	Drop/Add Period Ends
February 5	Mid-Term
February 12	Withdrawal Deadline
February 15	No Classes/ Faculty In-Service
March 3	Classes End
March 4	End-Of-Term Testing
March 5	No Classes/ Registration- Returning ESL Students
March 8-12	No Classes (Spring Break)

Spring 2027-ESL Term D

March 14-15	Student Arrival
March 15	Student Orientation/ Placement Testing
March 16	Registration- New ESL Students
March 17	Classes Begin
March 23	Drop/Add Period Ends
March 25-27	No Classes (Holy Triduum)
March 28	Easter Sunday
March 29	No Classes (Easter Monday)
April 7	Mid-Term
April 14	Withdrawal Deadline
May 10	Classes End
May 11	End-Of-Term Testing
May 12	No Classes/ Registration- Returning ESL Students
May 14	DWC Commencement
May 15	Summer Break Begins

Summer 2027-ESL Term E

May 25-26	Student Arrival
May 27	Student Orientation/Placement Testing
May 28	Registration-New ESL Students
May 31	No Classes (Memorial Day)
June 1	Classes Begin
June 7	Drop/Add Period Ends
June 18	Mid-Term
June 24	Withdrawal Deadline
July 7	Classes End
July 8	End-of-Term Testing

Undergraduate Program

Fall 2026 – Intensive O-Term (October)

October 12	Classes Begin
October 16	No Classes
October 18	Mission Sunday
October 19	No Classes/ Faculty In-Service
November 4-6	Registration- Spring Semester
November 6	Mid-Term
November 13	Withdrawal Deadline
November 26-27	No Classes (Thanksgiving Break)
December 4	Classes End
December 7-11	Final Exams
December 12	Christmas Break Begins

Spring 2027—Intensive M-Term (March)

March 15	Classes Begin
March 25-27	No Classes (Holy Triduum)
March 28	Easter Sunday
March 29	No Classes (Easter Monday)
April 7-9	Registration- Fall Semester
April 12	Mid-Term
April 19	Withdrawal Deadline
May 7	Classes End
May 10-13	Final Exams
May 14	DWC Commencement
May 15	Summer Break Begins

Missionary Skills

At Divine Word College, we focus on helping students build the essential skills they'll need for their future as missionaries. Our program emphasizes cultural understanding, effective communication, and spiritual development, all essential for compassionate and confident service in diverse communities around the globe. By the end of their time at DWC, students will have honed the following key skills:



Critical Thinking

Students develop strong critical thinking skills, enabling them to explore issues, ideas, and events thoughtfully and carefully before forming opinions, making decisions, or drawing conclusions.



Communication

Students become proficient in both writing and speaking, mastering the art of clear communication and building connections with diverse audiences.



Intercultural Competence

Students learn how to understand, relate to, and work well with people from different cultures. They build the knowledge, skills, and mindset needed to connect effectively with others.



Social & Global Responsibility

Students are aware of the world's biggest challenges, especially those affecting the poor and marginalized. They use their knowledge and skills to create solutions that align with Catholic Social Teaching, working to make the world a better place for everyone.



Missionary Discipleship

Students are prepared to engage in meaningful conversations with people from different backgrounds. Whether they're seeking faith, facing poverty, or coming from different cultures or religions, our students are equipped to follow the example of Divine Word Missionaries and build connections through respectful dialogue.

2026 February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>1</p> <p>4th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers (Consecrated Life)</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>3</p> <p>St. Blaise - LC (Blessing of the Throats)</p> <p>12:45 pm Presidential Forum</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7:30 pm Formation Grp. Mtg</p>
<p>8</p> <p>5th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>Super Bowl Sunday</p> <p>No Vespers</p>	<p>9</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>10</p> <p>St. Scholastica - LC</p> <p>12:45 pm Departmental Mtgs DTP and DIS</p>	<p>11</p> <p>7:30 pm Formation Grp. Mtg</p>
<p>15</p> <p>6th Sunday in Ordinary Time</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers</p>	<p>16</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Spirit Mass - LC</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>17</p> <p>MARDI GRAS (Actual Lunar New Year)</p> <p>12:45 pm Chairs Council</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Ash Wednesday-LC</p> <p>7:30 pm Formation Grp. Mtg</p>
<p>22</p> <p>1st Sunday of Lent</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers</p> <p>TRANQUILITY WEEKEND</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>24</p> <p>Mass for Vocations - LC</p> <p>12:45 pm Faculty Senate</p>	<p>25</p> <p>No Classes (UG and ESL) Faculty In-Service</p> <p>7:30 pm Formation Grp. Mtg</p>
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<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>Notes</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	

2026 March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>1</p> <p>2nd Sunday of Lent</p> <p>Donor Appreciation Mass and Donaghey Award Brunch</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers</p>	<p>2</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Lenten Weekday - LC</p> <p>12:45 pm Departmental Mtgs DTP and DIS</p>	<p>4</p> <p>ESL Term C Classes End</p> <p>7:30 pm Formation Grp. Mtg</p>
<p>8</p> <p>3rd Sunday of Lent</p> <p>International Women's Day</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Begins (turn clocks ahead 1 hour at 2:00 am)</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>DAVA 6th Grade Vocation Day</p>	<p>11</p>
SPRING BREAK - NO CLASSES (UG and ESL)			
<p>15</p> <p>4th Sunday of Lent</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers</p> <p>STUDENT ARRIVAL (ESL Term D)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>8:00 am Holy Spirit Mass - LC</p> <p>UG Term M Classes Begin ESL Term D Student Orientation/Placement Testing</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>17</p> <p>St. Patrick's Day ESL Term D Registration New Students</p> <p>12:45 pm Chairs Council</p>	<p>18</p> <p>ESL Term D Classes Begin</p> <p>7:30 pm Formation Grp. Mtg</p>
<p>22</p> <p>5th Sunday of Lent</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>24</p> <p>ESL Term D Add/Drop Period Ends</p> <p>BLOOD DRIVE 11:00 am - 2:00 pm</p> <p>12:45 pm Faculty Senate</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Feast of the Annunciation - LC SVD Titular</p> <p>7:30 pm Formation Grp. Mtg</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Palm Sunday</p> <p>7:30 pm Vespers</p> <p>SVD Formation Weekend</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Holy Week - LC</p> <p>7:30 pm Holy Hour</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Holy Week - LC</p>	<p>1</p>
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2026 November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p>1</p> <p>8:00 am All Saints Day</p> <p>Daylight Savings Time Ends (turn clocks back 1 hour at 1:00 am)</p>	<p>2</p> <p>All Souls Day-LC Visitors Mass & Reception</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Election Day</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Registration Spring Semester (UG)</p>
National Vocation Awareness Week			
<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p> <p>ESL Term B Mid-Term</p>
<p>15</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18</p> <p>ESL Term B Withdrawal Deadline</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>29</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>Notes</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>	

Thursday

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Saturday

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Goals

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To Do

ESL Term E Mid-Term

Juneteenth

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**ESL Term E Withdrawal
Deadline**

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