

Academic Calendar 2023-2024

To prepare ministers who inspire the Church and the world to imagine, discover, and create God's future.

Dates are subject to change and will be updated as needed; all times are in Eastern Standard Time (EST)

Fall 2023

New Student Orientation (Masters Online), 6:00 p.m8:30 p.m.	August 15 & 17
New Student Orientation (Masters Residential), 10:00 a.m6:00 p.m.	August 16
New Student Orientation (DMIN), virtual 9:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	August 17
First Day of Classes	August 21
Welcome Back Lunch, 12:15-1:30 p.m., Theology Lounge	August 21
Alumni Breakfast, 9:00 a.m.	August 22
Founders Day Service, 11:00 a.m., Day Hall	August 22
Founders Day Luncheon, noon, TDR	August 22
Drop/Add Period	August 21 – 28
Labor Day Holiday—University Closed	September 4
Spiritual Formation Retreat, required for THSP 511	September 7-8
Lunch & Learn: So You Want to Start a Church/Ministry	September 21
Mercer Preaching Retreat, Mercer Atlanta Campus	September 25-26

Keynote: Dr. Otis Moss, III

Student Advisement for Spring—Meet with Advisor	All of October
Lunch & Learn: So You Want to Be A Chaplain	October 12
CPE Fair, virtual, 11:00-12:30 p.m.	October 19
Last Day for Course Withdrawal	October 26
Lunch & Learn: So You Want to Be A Congregational Minister	November 2
Early Registration for Spring begins, 9:00 a.m.	November 7
Mercer Trustees Meeting	November 10
Mercer Homecoming	November 10-11
Admissions Application Deadline for Spring	November 15
Theology Fall Break—No Theology Classes	November 20-26
Thanksgiving Holiday—University Closed	November 23-24
Last Day of Classes	December 15

Grades Due December 20, noon
University Closed December 22-January 1

Spring 2024

New Student Orientation (Masters and DMIN) Januar	, ·
First Day of Classes Januar	y 8
Drop/Add Period Januar	y 8 – 16
Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday—University Closed Januar	y 15
Lunch & Learn: So You Want to Work in Non-Profit Februa	ary 1

^{**}Chapel on Tuesdays, 11:00 a.m.

Shrove Tuesday Ash Wednesday Ashes-to-Go Lunch & Learn: So You Want to Be A Pastor	February 13 February 14 February 15
Samuel DeWitt Proctor Conference, TBA	February TBA
Student Advisement for Summer and Fall—Meet with Advisor	All of March
Spring Reading Week	March 4 – 8
Wm. L. Self Preaching Lectures	March 11-12
Keynote Speaker – Dr. Teresa Fry Brown	
Scholars Day Conference for Prospective Students	March 11-12
Last Day for Course Withdrawal	March 18
Lunch & Learn: So You Want to Be A Counselor	March 21
Holy Week	March 24-31
Good Friday/Easter Holiday—University Closed	March 29-31
Electronic Theses and Dissertations Due	March 31
Early Registration for Summer & Fall begins, 8:30 a.m.	April TBA
First Claypool Winner in Chapel	April 9
Second Claypool Winner in Chapel	April 16
Blessing of the Graduates	April 23
Last Day of Classes	May 3
Grades Due	May 8, noon
Graduate Commissioning Service, TBA	May 11
Commencement	May 12

Summer 2024

Session One

May 20
May 20 – 24
May 27
June 6
June 21
June 24, noon

Session TwoFirst Day of Cla

First Day of Classes	June 24
Drop/Add Period	June 24 – 28
Independence Day—University Closed	July 4
Last Day for Course Withdrawal	July 12
Last Day of Classes	July 26
Grades Due	July 30, noon

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