GRADUATE STUDENT/STUDENT-AT-LARGE
DATES TO KNOW ABOUT
FALL 2015

August 17    Graduate Student Orientation: 1 p.m., Altgeld Hall 315
August 24    Classes begin
August 28    Comprehensive Exam Sign-Up Deadline
August 30    Last date for graduate students and students-at-large to add or drop a full semester course via MyNIU
September 4  **COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS:** 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – HSC (Basement), Room 023
September 4  December 2015 Graduation Application Deadline
September 4  Last day for instructors to change grades of incomplete for courses in Spring 2015
September 7  **Holiday** – University Offices Closed
September 11 Colloquium: **Professor Chris Kennedy**, University of Chicago, 3 p.m., HSC-University Suite
October 2    Last day to defer graduation
October 16   End of the first half of the term
October 16   Last day for graduate students and students-at-large to withdraw from a full semester course with refund or convert an undergraduate course from regular grading to pass/fail.
October 16   Last day for graduate students and students-at-large to change a full semester course from credit to audit or audit to credit
October 19   Last-half session classes begin
November 2   Spring 2016 Registration Begins
November 13-14 IPA Conference at Eastern Illinois University
November 20-21 **9th Annual Graduate Student Conference:** HSC–University Suite
            Keynote Address: **Professor Samuel Scheffler**, New York University
November 25   Deadline to withdraw from a course
November 25-29 **THANKSGIVING BREAK**
December 1   Election of GSAC – Committee to begin in Spring semester
December 4   Last day for instructors to change grades of incomplete for courses in Summer 2015
December 7-11 **FINALS WEEK**
December 12  December 2015 Graduate Commencement
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DATES TO KNOW ABOUT
SPRING 2016

January 18  Holiday – University Offices Closed
January 18  May 2016 Graduation Application Deadline
January 19  Classes begin (Tuesday)
January 19  Comprehensive Exam Sign-Up Deadline
January 24  Last date for graduate students and students-at-large to add or drop a full semester course via MyNIU
January 29  COMPREHENSIVE EXAMS: 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. – HSC (Basement), Room 023
February 19  Rafalson Essays Contest Deadline
March 11  Last day to defer graduation
March 11  End of the first half of the term
March 11  Last day for graduate students and students-at-large to withdraw from a full semester course with refund or convert an undergraduate course from regular grading to pass/fail.
March 11  Last day for graduate students and students-at-large to change a full semester course from credit to audit or audit to credit
March 13-20  SPRING BREAK
March 21  Last-half session classes begin
April 4  Fall 2016 Registration Begins
April 8  Last day for instructors to change grades of incomplete for courses in Fall 2015
April 22  Deadline to withdraw from a course
May 6  Reading Day -- No Classes
May 9-13  FINALS WEEK
May 13  May 2016 Graduate Commencement