

TO: Fort Wayne Senate

From: Linda Wright-Bower, Chair
Educational Policy Committee

Subject: Change to the Academic Calendar Formula as defined in SD 11-18
and Change to the 2018-2019 academic calendar to reflect the
change in the academic calendar formula of adopted

Date: March 22, 2017

Disposition: To the Presiding Officer for Implementation

WHEREAS, the University formerly known as Indiana University - Purdue University will become two separate entities, and

WHEREAS, the majority of the IPFW units will be managed by Purdue University as of July 1, 2018, and

WHEREAS, degree programs previously supported as part of Indiana University will be realigned under the auspices of Purdue University as of July 1, 2018, and

WHEREAS, Academic Regulations for the newly created Purdue University Fort Wayne, or the forthcoming name determined by the Purdue Board of Trustees, will need to be in concert with those of Purdue University West Lafayette, and

WHEREAS, a slight change in the academic calendar formula for the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus will provide uniform academic calendars for students attending Purdue University Fort Wayne and IUPUI health sciences programs in Fort Wayne, and

WHEREAS, the IUPUI Registrar has agreed to coordinate the IUPUI Spring Break recess with the Purdue University Fort Wayne campus such that students attending IUPUI Fort Wayne classes will have the same recess, and

WHEREAS, the current IPFW Registrar has provided a table of academic year beginning and starting dates through the year 2030 as a reference document to support these resolutions,

RESOLVED, Senate Document SD 11-18 (Academic Calendar formula) be amended as enclosed, with italicized language inserted and strike-out language removed.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED, that the 2018-2019 Academic Calendar be changed to reflect this change in formula.

The academic calendar shall consist of two 16-week regular semesters (including a one-week final examination period), and one 15-week summer semester.

During the Fall and Spring semesters, the standard length of a three-credit-hour course shall be 150 minutes per week for fifteen weeks. The final examination period for courses shall be two hours.

FALL SEMESTER

1. The first day of classes of the fall semester shall be the Monday falling between August ~~19 20~~ and August ~~25 26~~, inclusive.
2. Labor Day shall be a holiday. Classes shall be suspended starting at 4:30 PM on the Friday preceding Labor Day and resume on the Tuesday following Labor Day.
3. There shall be a two-day suspension of regular classes consisting of the *Monday and Tuesday* after the mid-point between the beginning of the semester and Thanksgiving break.
4. Thanksgiving recess shall consist of Thanksgiving Day, *the preceding Wednesday*, and the following Friday and weekend.

SPRING SEMESTER

1. The first day of the spring semester may be the Monday following the end of the regular Fall Semester. Typically, weekday classes of the regular spring semester will begin the Monday falling between January ~~7 8~~ and January ~~13 14~~, inclusive.
2. The period of time between the regular fall and spring semesters will be called "Winter Intersession" for the purposes of communication to the public. All official university holidays during the intersession will be recognized and offices will be closed.
3. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the third Monday in January, shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet.
4. There shall be a one-week spring recess after the 8th week of regular weekday classes of the spring semester.
5. Weekend College shall be suspended Easter weekend.

SUMMER SEMESTER

1. The first day of classes of summer semester may be the Monday following the end of the spring semester. Typically, weekday classes will meet in two 6-week summer sessions which will begin following a one-week break at the end of spring semester.
2. Memorial Day (Observed) and Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday of Memorial Day weekend, shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet.
3. July 4 shall be a holiday. Classes will not meet on July 4 when it falls on a weekday. Classes will not meet on Friday, July 3, when July 4 falls on a Saturday. Classes will not meet on Monday, July 5, when July 4 falls on a Sunday. The Friday evening, Saturday, and Sunday including, or closest to, July 4 shall also be holidays when classes do not meet.

ANALYSIS OF CALENDAR START & END DATES FROM FALL 2018 – SPRING 2037 – FOR INFORMATION ONLY

Analyses of Semester begin/end dates if calendar formula adjusted to first day of classes of the fall semester is the Monday falling between August 19th and August 25, and regular spring semester be the Monday falling between January 7 and January 13, inclusive (Fall 2017- Spring 2037):

Fall Term	Begin	End	#weeks of break	Spring Term	Begin	End	# weeks in Summer
Fall 2018	Aug 20	Dec 16	3 weeks	Spring 2019	Jan 7	May 5	15
Fall 2019	Aug 19	Dec 15	4 weeks	Spring 2020	Jan 13	May 10	15
Fall 2020	Aug 24	Dec 20	3 weeks	Spring 2021	Jan 11	May 9	15
Fall 2021	Aug 23	Dec 19	3 weeks	Spring 2022	Jan 10	May 8	15
Fall 2022	Aug 22	Dec 18	3 weeks	Spring 2023	Jan 9	May 7	15
Fall 2023	Aug 21	Dec 17	3 weeks	Spring 2024	Jan 8	May 5	15
Fall 2024	Aug 19	Dec 15	4 weeks	Spring 2025	Jan 13	May 11	15
Fall 2025	Aug 25	Dec 21	3 weeks	Spring 2026	Jan 12	May 10	15
Fall 2026	Aug 24	Dec 20	3 weeks	Spring 2027	Jan 11	May 9	15
Fall 2027	Aug 23	Dec 19	3 weeks	Spring 2028	Jan 10	May 7	15
Fall 2028	Aug 21	Dec 17	3 weeks	Spring 2029	Jan 8	May 6	15
Fall 2029	Aug 20	Dec 16	3 weeks	Spring 2030	Jan 7	May 5	15
Fall 2030	Aug 19	Dec 15	4 weeks	Spring 2031	Jan 13	May 11	15
Fall 2031	Aug 25	Dec 21	3 weeks	Spring 2032	Jan 12	May 9	15
Fall 2032	Aug 23	Dec 19	3 weeks	Spring 2033	Jan 10	May 8	15
Fall 2033	Aug 22	Dec 18	3 weeks	Spring 2034	Jan 9	May 7	15
Fall 2034	Aug 21	Dec 17	3 weeks	Spring 2035	Jan 8	May 6	15
Fall 2035	Aug 20	Dec 16	3 weeks	Spring 2036	Jan 7	May 4	15
Fall 2036	Aug 25	Dec 21	3 weeks	Spring 2037	Jan 12	May 10	15

Implications of change in formula:

1. When the fall semester begins on August 19th or 20th, the break between fall and spring will be 4 weeks in length periodically.
2. By moving the begin date of fall to August 19th, the policy should be changed to read **“the first day of classes of the fall semester shall be the Monday falling between August 19th and August 25th, inclusive”**, since August 26th is no longer an option by moving to August 19th.
3. By moving the begin date of spring to January 7, the policy should be changed to read, **“Typically, weekday classes of the regular spring semester will begin the Monday falling between January 7 and January 13, inclusive”**.
4. Fall semester will not end later than December 21 in any given year; therefore, no longer running too close to the winter holiday break.