

WMU-AAUP Bulletin

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A Reminder From Your Contract Administrator

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Article 38 University Calendar

The administration has made changes to the University calendar. The University Calendar can be viewed on the WMU-AAUP Chapter website at wmuaaup.net or the university's website at wmich.edu/registrar/calendars/UC2010-2011.pdf. The changes have been shaded on the reverse side of this bulletin.

38.§2 WORK OUTSIDE CALENDAR. Western and the Chapter recognize that a variety of the legitimate responsibilities of academic-year faculty (e.g., registration, department orientation/organization meetings, retreats, committee assignments, and grading situations) fall outside the academic calendar, that is, before the Fall semester begins, between the Fall and Spring semesters, and after the Spring semester ends. Western will follow present procedures to cover these assignments. If Western is unable to ensure faculty coverage for such legitimate responsibilities, Western will notify the Chapter before assigning faculty to such tasks.

38.§3 FINAL EXAMINATIONS. In every class taught, all faculty shall give a final examination, i.e., some form of comprehensive evaluative academic exercise appropriate to the course content and according to the published schedule of examinations, during the last week of the semester (which shall be set aside for final examinations), or at or near the scheduled conclusion of the session. The final evaluative exercise may be distributed before the time scheduled for the final exam providing that it is due and collected on the day during the final week of the semester on which the final exam has been scheduled. Exceptions to the requirement of scheduling a final examination (or other appropriate evaluative activity) may be granted, in writing, at the discretion of the appropriate chairperson and/or dean, upon request from the faculty member.

38.§4 HOLIDAYS AND BREAKS DEFINED.

38.§4.1 *Academic Year.* Bargaining unit faculty on academic or alternate-academic year appointments shall not be required to work during the following University-recognized holidays and breaks: two (2) days at Thanksgiving; two (2) days each at Christmas and New Year's; single days for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; and a designated Western Spirit Day (none of these days shall be a Saturday or a Sunday); nor during periods between semesters and sessions when classes are not scheduled to meet, except in the limited circumstances envisioned in 38.§2 of this Agreement.

38.§4.2 *Fiscal Year.* Bargaining unit faculty with fiscal-year appointments shall not be required to work during the following University-recognized holidays: two (2) days at Thanksgiving; two (2) days each at Christmas and New Year's; and single days for Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day; Memorial Day; Independence Day; Labor Day; and a designated Western Spirit Day (none of these days shall be a Saturday or Sunday). In addition, fiscal-year faculty members shall receive one personal day to be mutually agreed upon by the faculty member and his/her supervisor.

April
2010



Summer I Session 2010	
May 10, Monday	Classes Begin
May 31, Monday	Memorial Day Recess
June 26, Saturday	Commencement
June 30, Wednesday	Session Ends
July 6, Tuesday	Summer I Grades Due at Noon

Summer II Session 2010	
July 1, Thursday	Classes Begin
July 5, Monday	Independence Day Recess
August 20, Friday	Session Ends
August 24, Tuesday	Summer II Grades Due at Noon

Fall Semester 2010	
September 3, Friday	Advising Day
September 6, Monday	Labor Day Recess
September 7, Tuesday	Classes Begin at 8:00 a.m.
November 24, Wednesday	Thanksgiving Recess (Noon)
November 29, Monday	Classes Resume
December 13-17	Final Examination Week
December 18, Saturday	Semester Ends – Commencement
December 21, Tuesday	Fall Grades Due at Noon
December 22 – January 2	Holiday Recess

Spring Semester 2011	
January 3-7	Advising Days
January 10, Monday	Classes Begin at 8:00 a.m.
January 17, Monday	Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Recess, Convocation & Activities
February 25, Friday	Spirit Day
February 28 – March 6	Spring Break
March 7, Monday	Classes Resume
April 25-29	Final Examination Week
April 30, Saturday	Semester Ends – Commencement
May 3, Tuesday	Spring Grades Due at Noon
May 4 – September 5	Summer Recess (Unless teaching Summer I and/or Summer II)