

MOUNTAIN EMPIRE COMMUNITY COLLEGE 2015-2016 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL SEMESTER 2015

Early Enrollment/Advisement Continues

August

Faculty/Staff In-Service	Monday – Tuesday, August 17-18
Enrollment/Advisement	Wednesday – Friday, August 19-21
Welcome Week.....	Monday – Wednesday, August 24-26
Tuition Due for Early Enrollment	Thursday, August 27
First Day of Classes.....	Thursday, August 27
Last day to add without faculty permission	Wednesday, September 2

September

College Closed-Labor Day Holiday	Monday, September 7 (No day or evening classes)
Last Day to add with faculty permission, change from audit to credit, change from credit to audit or drop with a refund	Monday, September 14

October

In Service Day – Faculty Workday (no day or evening classes)	Friday, October 16
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November

Application Deadline for Fall Graduation	Monday, November 2
Last day to withdraw without grade penalty	Monday, November 2
Spring 2016 Early Enrollment Begins	Monday, November 9
Last day to make up incomplete grades from Summer 2015	Friday, November 20
Faculty Research Day (no day or evening classes) College Closes at Noon	Wednesday, November 25
College Closed-Thanksgiving Holiday	Thursday – Friday, November 26-27

December

Last Day of Classes	Friday, December 11
Final exams	Monday – Thursday, December 14-17
Grades Due at 4:30.....	Friday, December 18
Faculty Research Days	Monday – Wednesday, December 21-23
College Closed – Christmas Holiday.....	Thursday – Friday, December 24-25 and Monday – Thursday, December 28-31

SPRING SEMESTER 2016

Early Enrollment/Advisement Continues

January

Faculty/Staff In-Service	Monday – Tuesday, January 4-5
Enrollment/Advisement.....	Wednesday – Friday, January 6-8
Student Welcome Week, Faculty Workdays	Monday – Wednesday, January 11-13
Tuition Due for Early Enrollment.....	Thursday, January 14
First day of classes.....	Thursday, January 14
Last day to add without faculty permission	Wednesday, January 20
Last day to add with faculty permission, change from audit to credit, change from credit to audit or drop with a refund	Tuesday, February 2

March

Application Deadline for Spring and Summer Graduation.....	Tuesday, March 1
Faculty Research Day (no day or evening classes)	Monday, March 7
Spring break-No day or evening classes	Tuesday – Friday, March 8-11
(Note: May be reduced/eliminated if necessary to make up class time.)	
College Closed	Friday, March 25
Last day to withdraw without grade penalty	Friday, March 25

April

Summer and Fall Early Enrollment Begins.....	Monday, April 4
Last day to make-up incomplete grades from Fall 2015.....	Friday, April 15
Graduate Assessment at 9:00 a.m., Faculty Work Day Graduation Practice, Goodloe Center, 12:30 p.m. (no day or evening classes)	Friday, April 22

MAY

Last day of classes	Friday, May 6
Final exams	Monday – Thursday, May 9-12
Graduation, Grades Due at 12 noon – Faculty Work Day.....	Friday, May 13

FALL SEMESTER 2015

IN-SERVICE DAYS	3
ENROLLMENT/ADVISEMENT	3
FACULTY RESEARCH DAYS	4
EXAMINATION DAYS	5
FACULTY WORK DAY	0
TEACHING DAYS	75
TOTAL	90

SPRING SEMESTER 2016

IN-SERVICE	2
ENROLLMENT/ADVISEMENT	3
FACULTY RESEARCH DAYS	1
EXAMINATION DAYS	5
FACULTY WORK DAYS	4
TEACHING DAYS	75
TOTAL	90
GRAND TOTAL DAYS	180

VCCS POLICY MANUAL SECTION 5.7 (11/2009)

The academic calendar for colleges within the VCCS may be determined by the colleges within the following guidelines:

- a. The contract year for faculty extends from August 16 through May 15.
- b. There shall be a minimum of 75 days of instruction in each semester for a total minimum of 150 days of instruction for the academic year.
- c. There shall be approximately 10 days of instructional evaluation (examinations, etc.) in the academic year.
- d. There shall be approximately 20 days of registration and faculty in-service days in the academic year.
- e. An academic calendar year shall consist of 180 working days

Any deviations from these guidelines must be approved by the Chancellor, VCCS.

In addition, we need to note the directive in a memo dated 11/8/95 from the VCCS Chancellor-----

"I am asking you to ensure your academic calendar complies with VCCS Policy 5.8. I also ask that 5 faculty research days be explicitly identified on the calendar you submit to me."