

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

Bethel operates on an early semester calendar with two 15-week semesters and a three-week session in January. Bethel offers five summer sessions.

Fall Semester 2023

Residence halls open (new students)	August 24
Residence halls open, noon (returning students)	August 25
Classes begin	August 28
Last day to add/drop a first-half or full-term course	September 4
Labor Day	September 4
Homecoming	September 29-October 1
Family Weekend	September 29-October 1
Last day to withdraw from a first-half of term course	October 6
Fall break	October 6
Last day of First half term courses	October 17
First day of Second half term courses	October 18
Advising Day (no day classes; night classes are held)	October 25
Last day to add/drop a second-half term course	October 25
Registration for January Session and Spring	November 7, 9, 13, & 15
Thanksgiving break begins (Tuesday night classes are held)	November 22
Last day to withdraw from a full-term course	November 24
Classes resume	November 27
Festival of Christmas	November 30-December 2
Last day to withdraw from a second-half term course	December 8
Last day of classes	December 8
Final examinations	December 11, 12, 14, & 15
Study day	December 13
Commencement	December 15
Residence halls close, noon	December 16

January Session 2024

Residence halls open, noon	January 2
Classes begin	January 3
Last day to add/drop a course	January 5
Martin Luther King Jr. Day (no classes)	January 15
Last day to withdraw from a course	January 19
Last day of classes	January 25

Spring Semester 2024

Classes begin	February 1
Last day to add/drop a first-half or full-term course	February 8
Spring Break	March 11-15
Last day to withdraw from a first-half term course	March 15

Academic Calendar 2

Spring break ends/Classes resume	March 18
Last day of first half term courses	March 26
First day of second half term courses	March 27
Good Friday (no classes)	March 29
Monday after Easter (no classes)	April 1
Last day to add/drop a second-half term course	April 4
Advising Day (no day classes; night classes are held)	April 10
Registration for Summer and Fall	April 23, 25, 29, & May 1
Last day to withdraw from a full-term course	May 3
Last day to withdraw from a second-half term course	May 10
Last day of classes	May 17
Final examinations	May 20, 21, 23, & 24
Study day	May 22
Senior Celebration	May 24
Commencement	May 25
Residence halls close for returning students, noon	May 25
Residence halls close for graduating seniors, noon	May 26

Summer School 2024

Term A start date (Term end dates vary by course)	May 30
Term B start date (Term end dates vary by course)	June 21
Term C start date (Term end dates vary by course)	June 21
Term D start date (Term end date vary by course)	May 30
Term E start date (Term end date vary by course)	June 21