

Auburn University Calendar 2000-2001

2000 FALL SEMESTER (74 Class Days)

Aug. 21	Orientation for new students
Aug. 22	Classes begin
Sept. 4	Labor Day Holiday
Sept. 12	University Faculty Meeting
Sept. 23-Oct. 22	Pre-registration for Spring
Oct. 12	Mid-Semester (37th day)
Nov. 22-26	Thanksgiving Holidays
Dec. 7	Classes end
Dec. 8	Study Day (Formerly Dead Day)
Dec. 9, 11-14	Final exams
Dec. 16	Graduation

2001 SPRING SEMESTER (75 days)

Jan. 9	Orientation for new students
Jan. 10	Classes begin
Jan. 15	Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Feb. 17 - March 4	Registration for Summer and Fall
March 2	Mid-Semester (37th day)
March 26 - April 1	Spring Break
May 2	Classes End
May 3	Study Day (Formerly Dead Day)
May 4,5,7-9	Final Examinations
May 12	Graduation

2001 SUMMER TERM (50 days)

SUMMER SESSION I (25 days)

SUMMER SESSION II (25 days)

May 22	Orientation for new students
May 23	Classes Begin for Summer Term and Summer Session I
May 28	Memorial Day Holiday
June 27	Classes end for Summer Session I
June 27	Mid-Term for Summer Term
June 28	Classes begin for Summer Session II
July 4	Independence Day Holiday
Aug. 1	Classes end for Summer Term and Summer Session II
Aug. 2-4	Final Exams

Maintaining schedule requires tuition payment

NOTE: The deferred payment option only applies to the first bill of each semester. The total balance due on all subsequent bills must be paid by the specified due date.

Timely payment of tuition and other fees billed through the Office of the Bursar is necessary to assure that the schedule a student preregisters for is not canceled.

In spite of students and parents being warned about the schedule cancellation policy before the start of the Fall 2000 semester, a number of students' schedules were canceled because of failure to pay tuition and fees by the specified deadline.

Once a student's schedule is canceled, the courses become public property. Other students pick up those open class seats, thus, it is very nearly impossible to reconstruct the student's identical original schedule after it is canceled.

A student's schedule may be canceled for the following reasons:

- Nonpayment of at least one-half of the balance due on the first bill, by the due date of the first bill;
- If one-half of the balance of the first bill is paid on time, but the remainder is not paid by the due date of the second bill of the semester;
- All charges on the second bill are not paid by the due date, including tuition and fees for those who registered after the first bill of the semester.

Once a student's schedule is canceled they must pay a \$50 re-enrollment fee in addition to tuition and other fees applicable to the current semester, before they will be allowed to reregister.

To help ease the burden of paying tuition and fees, the university has instituted a deferred tuition payment plan.

Under the plan, tuition and fee payments can be made in two installments. One-half of the total charges for the semester must be paid by the deadline noted on the bill sent by the Office of the Bursar. A second bill will be mailed regarding the second half of the balance still owed. This second bill also will contain notice of the due date for the balance.

If a student is receiving financial aid -- such as loans, grants or scholarships -- and has completed all the necessary documents pertaining to that aid, the amount of the financial aid will be reflected on the bill and will be subtracted from the amount due.

Auburn University Semester Transition

Post-Transition Information for Auburn University Students - Fall Semester 2000

<http://www.auburn.edu/semesters>

Transition does not change GPA

Conversion to the semester system does not change students' cumulative grade point averages (GPA), and the transcript converts credit hours earned under the former quarter system as semester credit hours.

The model illustrated at right is a sample transcript for a *transition* student. A transition student is one who earned credit hours under the quarter system and now is enrolled under the semester system.

In this example, the student was enrolled during the winter and spring 2000 quarters and has completed the fall 2000 semester. The student earned 16 credit hours during winter quarter 2000 (see "1" on the model) and 13 credit hours during spring quarter 2000 (see "2" on the model).

The quarter-to-semester conversion of these credits is illustrated in area "3" on the example. Note that the student's GPA remains unchanged in the conversion process.

The student's fall 2000 coursework under the semester system appears in area "4." Attempted hours (AHRs), earned hours (EHRs), quality hours (QHRs), quality points (QPTS) and GPA are reported in area "5."

NOTE: Copy shown in "orange" on the transcript model is for clarification purposes only and does not appear on the official transcript.

Official Academic Record
Auburn converted to the semester system from quarters as of fall term 2000. Prior terms are on a quarter system and are reported as quarter hours. Cumulative totals for the student for FALL 2000 AND AFTER are reported as semester hours. One quarter hour equals 0.67 semester hours.

Current Academic Program:
College of Engineering
Bachelor Program-Undergraduate
Major: Pre-Mechanical Engineering

-----Winter 2000-----

Admitted Program:

College of Engineering
Bachelor Program-Undergraduate
Major: Pre-Mechanical Engineering

					Credit Hours	Quality Points
CHEM0101001	INTRODUCTORY CHEMISTRY I NR/	C	2.00	4.00		
COMP0120002	INTRO ENGR COMP/FORTRAN PROG	C	3.00	6.00		
HIST0102010	WORLD HISTORY II	C	3.00	6.00		
COMM 010004	PROFESSIONAL COMM	B	3.00	9.00		
MATH0161113	ANALYTIC GEOMETRY AND CALCULUS	C	5.00	10.00		

	AHRS	EHRs	QHRs	QPTS	GPA
Current	16.00	16.00	16.00	35.00	2.188
Cumulative	16.00	16.00	16.00	35.00	2.188

-----Spring 2000-----

CHEML103002	FUNDAMENTALS OF CHEMISTRY I LAB	A	1.00	4.00		
CHEM0102001	INTRODUCTORY CHEMISTRY II	D	2.00	2.00		
HIST0103012	WORLD HISTORY III	C	3.00	6.00		
MATH0162092	ANALYTIC GEOMETRY AND CALCULUS	C	5.00	10.00		
PHED0117002	AEROBIC DANCE	A	2.00	8.00		

	AHRS	EHRs	QHRs	QPTS	GPA
Current	13.00	13.00	13.00	30.00	2.308
Cumulative	29.00	29.00	29.00	65.00	2.241

Quarter to Semester Conversion

	AHRS	EHRs	QHRs	QPTS	GPA
Quarter	29.00	29.00	29.00	65.00	2.241
Semester	19.33	19.33	19.33	43.34	2.241

-----Fall 2000-----

ENGL1100121	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I	A	3.00	12.00		
ENGR1100002	ENGINEERING ORIENTATION	S	0.00			
ENGR110014	INTRO TO MECHANICAL ENGINEERING	B	2.00	6.00		
MATH1620131	CALCULUS II	C	4.00	8.00		
POLI1020043	POLITICAL ECONOMY	B	3.00	9.00		

	AHRS	EHRs	QHRs	QPTS	GPA
Current	12.00	12.00	12.00	35.00	2.917
Cumulative	31.33	31.33	31.33	78.34	2.500

-----End of Academic Record-----

Transcripts indicate when GAP is invoked

Beginning with the fall 2000 semester, Auburn University implemented a Grade Adjustment Policy (GAP) through which grades of D or F may be forgiven when computing a student's cumulative GPA.

All currently enrolled, regularly admitted undergraduate students -- with the exception of veterinary medicine and pharmacy students -- are eligible to invoke GAP. However, there are specific restrictions governing the application of GAP:

- Grades of credit considered as transfer credit, courses earned in a previously awarded baccalaureate degree, or grades that have been assigned as a result of academic misconduct are excluded from GAP.
- GAP does not offer exemption from academic degree requirements.
- Grade adjustment applies only to grades in individual courses.
- All core and major requirements must be met for graduation.

The student transcript will show all courses for which grades have been awarded. Courses for which a grade has been deleted from the cumulative GPA will have a grade recorded and a notation on the transcript that the grade has been excluded from the earned hours and the cumulative GPA.

The transcript model below is an example for a student who has in-

voiced GAP. The model is identical in appearance to the transcript example described on page 1, with the exception of the following:

- The transcript contains a note that the Grade Adjustment Policy has been invoked (see area "1").
- The grade being forgiven appears with an asterisk on the transcript. This asterisk indicates that this is the grade being exempted from the computation of the student's cumulative GPA (see area "2").
- An end note states that the course or courses appearing with an asterisk are excluded from the student's earned hours and the GPA (see area "3").

Application for GAP must be made with the Dean's Office. Under no circumstances can GAP be applied to transfer grades, grades in previous earned degrees or grades as a result of academic dishonesty.

Although a student may invoke

GAP at any time, if a course is required as part of the degree program, the student must repeat the course at Auburn. If the course is a core requirement with several options, the student may substitute another core science or core history or core philosophy for the first course attempted.

The adjusted GPA is not used for Graduation with Academic Honors or for the Dean's List. Other possible exclusions of GAP include admission to programs, which is determined by the degree program or college or school or admission to honor societies.

Once GAP is invoked on a student's transcript, the student may not change the course to which the policy is applied.

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GRADE ADJUSTMENT POLICY INVOKED ← "1"					
Current Academic Program:					
College of Engineering					
Bachelor Program-Undergraduate					
Major: Pre-Mechanical Engineering					
-----Spring 2000-----					
CHEML103002	FUNDAMENTALS OF CHEMISTRY I LAB	A	1.00	4.00	
CHEM0102001	INTRODUCTORY CHEMISTRY II	D	2.00	2.00	
HIST0103012	WORLD HISTORY III	C	3.00	6.00	
MATH0162092	ANALYTIC GEOMETRY AND CALCULUS	F*	(5.00)		← "2"
PHED0117002	AEROBIC DANCE	A	2.00	8.00	
	AHRS	EHRS	QHRS	QPTS	GPA
Current	13.00	8.00	8.00	20.00	2.500
Cumulative	29.00	24.00	24.00	55.00	2.292
NOTE: *COURSE EXCLUDED FROM EARNED HOURS AND GPA ← "3"					

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Appeals begin at 'local' level Rules governing suspension differ under semester system

The semester transition appeals procedure is in place to protect students against undue credit loss in the transition to semesters.

Students who believe that their progress towards graduation has been slowed by the transition should first discuss their concern with their academic advisor.

If the issue cannot be resolved between the student and academic advisor, the student then has the option to initiate a formal appeals process, starting at the departmental level. Only appeals begun at the departmental level will be heard by the appeals committee.

Following is the procedure to be pursued:

1. The issue should be appealed to the appropriate department head/chair. This is the department that is home to the degree program in question.

2. The next level of appeal is to the appropriate college/school dean. Again, this is the college/school home to the degree program in question.

3. If the college/school-level appeal is denied, the next level is to appeal to the Semester Transition Appeals Committee. The appeals committee is appointed by the university president and membership is comprised of three student representatives, three faculty representatives, and one member selected by the Office of the Provost.

The assistant provost for academic affairs makes the final decision for undergraduate students based on the committee's recommendations.

The following will not be grounds for appeal:

- Delay due to change of major;
- Delay resulting from a failed course or withdrawing from a course;
- Failure to take or complete a sequence if the opportunity was available;
- Delay resulting from discontinuous enrollment or academic suspension;
- Failure to meet with the academic advisor or to follow the advisor's guidance.

No appeals will be accepted after completion of Spring semester 2002.

Students must maintain a higher cumulative grade point average (GPA) under the semester system to avoid academic suspension, than was required under the quarter system.

According to the semester academic suspension policy, freshmen (1-30 semester credit hours) must maintain a 1.50 GPA or higher to avoid academic suspension. Sophomores (31-60 semester credit hours) must maintain a 1.80 or higher GPA; juniors (61-90 semester credit hours) 1.90 or higher; and seniors (91 or more semester credit hours) 1.97 or higher.

Under the semester rules, students may be issued one term of warning before being suspended. To help prevent academic suspension, students should seek additional help if their GPA falls below a 2.00.

Additional help is available through the Student Success Center, located at 311 Mary Martin Hall, 844-4475. Available programs through the Student Success Center include help in learning better study and time management strategies, note taking, writing, speaking, critical reading, critical thinking and test-taking strategies.

The following illustrates the suspension policy applied to a student who was suspended under the quarter system, but must serve out the suspension under the semester system. The examples cover students who incurred an academic suspension for work done during a quarter term Fall 1999 - Summer 2000:

First Suspensions

Term Suspension Occurred	Terms for which Student Suspended	Eligible to Re-enroll
Fall '99	Winter '00, Spring '00	Summer '00
Winter '00	Spring '00, Summer '00	Fall '00
Spring '00	Summer '00, Fall '00	Spring '01
Summer '00	Fall '00	Spring '01

Second Suspensions

Term Suspension Occurred	Terms for which Student Suspended	Eligible to Re-enroll
Fall '99	Winter '00, Spring '00, Summer '00	Spring '01
Winter '00	Spring '00, Summer '00, Fall '00	Spring '01
Spring '00	Summer '00, Fall '00	Summer '01
Summer '00	Fall '00, Spring '01	Summer '01