

Bowdoin College 220th Academic Year

Fall 2021	
August 24, Tuesday	First Year arrival day
August 25-28, Wed.-Sat.	Orientation Trips
August 28-31, Sat.-Tues.	Orientation
August 29, Sunday	College housing ready for occupancy for upperclass students, noon
August 31, Tuesday	Opening of the College—Convocation, 3:30 p.m.
September 1, Wednesday	Fall semester classes begin, 8:30 a.m.
September 16-19, Thurs.-Sun.	Explore Bowdoin I
September 18, Sat.	Common Good Day
September 23-25, Thurs.-Sat.	Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors and BRAVO National Advisory Board meetings
October 1-3, Fri.-Sun.	Homecoming Weekend
October 8, Friday	Fall vacation begins after last class
October 13, Wednesday	Fall vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
October 14-16, Thurs.-Sat.	Meetings of the Board of Trustees
October 22, Friday	Sarah and James Bowdoin Day
October 22-24, Fri.-Sun.	Family Weekend
November 2, Tuesday	Election Day
November 4-7, Thurs.-Sun.	Explore Bowdoin II
November 24, Wednesday	Thanksgiving vacation begins, 8:00 a.m. * (November 24-26: College holidays, many offices closed)
November 29, Monday	Thanksgiving vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
December 10, Friday	Last day of classes
December 11-14, Sat.-Tues.	Reading period
December 15-20, Wed.-Mon.	Fall semester examinations
December 21, Tuesday	College housing closes for winter break, noon
December 23-31, Thu.-Fri.	College holidays, many offices closed
Spring 2022	
January 22, Saturday	College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.
January 24, Monday	Spring semester classes begin, 8:30 a.m.
February 10-12, Thurs.-Sat.	Meetings of the Board of Trustees
March 11, Friday	Spring vacation begins after last class
March 12, Saturday	College housing closes for spring vacation, noon
March 26, Saturday	College housing available for occupancy, 8:00 a.m.
March 28, Monday	Spring vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
March 31-April 2, Thurs.-Sat.	Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors and BRAVO National Advisory Board meetings
April 7-9, Thurs.-Sat.	Admitted Student Open House
May 11, Wednesday	Last day of classes; Honors Day
May 12-14, Thurs.-Sat.	Meetings of the Board of Trustees
May 12-15, Thurs.Sun.	Reading period
May 16-21, Mon.-Sat.	Spring semester examinations
May 22, Sunday	College housing closes for non-graduating students, noon
May 27, Friday	Baccalaureate
May 28, Saturday	The 217th Commencement Exercises
May 28, Saturday	College housing closes for graduating students, 6:00 p.m.
June 2-5, Thurs.-Sun.	Reunion Weekend
Religious Holidays	
September 6-8, Mon.-Wed.	Rosh Hashanah, begins at sundown on Sept. 6 and concludes at sundown on Sept. 8
September 15-16, Wed.-Thurs.	Yom Kippur, begins at sundown on Sept. 15 and concludes at sundown on Sept. 16
November 4, Thursday	Diwali
April 2-May 1, Sat.-Sun.	Ramadan begins at first light on April 2 and concludes at last light on May 1
April 15-22, Fri.-Fri.	Passover, begins at sundown on April 15 and concludes at sundown on April 22
April 15, Friday	Good Friday
April 17, Sunday	Easter
May 2-4, Mon.-Wed.	Eid-al-Fitr begins at last light on May 1
Federally Recognized Holidays	
September 6, Monday	Labor Day (College holiday, some offices closed)
October 11, Monday	Columbus Day (Classes not in session - Fall Break, but offices are open)
November 11, Thursday	Veterans Day (Classes in session, offices open)
November 25, Thursday	Thanksgiving (College holiday, most offices closed)
December 25, Saturday	Christmas (College holidays, most offices closed)
January 17, Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (College holiday, some offices closed)
February 21, Monday	Presidents' Day (Classes in session, College holiday, some offices closed)
May 30, Monday	Memorial Day (College holiday, many offices closed)
July 4, Monday	Fourth of July Holiday (College holiday, many offices closed)