

Bowdoin College 222nd Academic Year: 2023-2024

Fall 2023	
August 20-21, Sun.-Mon.	New international student orientation
August 22, Tuesday	New student arrival day
August 23-26, Wed.-Sat.	Orientation trips for new students
August 26-29, Sat.-Tues.	Orientation for new students
August 27, Sunday	College housing ready for occupancy for returning students, noon
August 28, Monday	New student advising and course registration
August 29, Tuesday	Opening of the College—Convocation, 3:30 p.m.
August 30, Wednesday	Fall semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.
September 7-9, Thurs.-Sat.	Explore Bowdoin I
September 21-23, Thurs.-Sat.	Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors and BRAVO National Advisory Board meetings
October 6, Friday	Fall vacation begins after last class
October 11, Wednesday	Fall vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
October 12-14, Thurs.-Sat.	Meetings of the Board of Trustees
October 14, Sat.	Inauguration of Bowdoin's 16th President
October 13-15, Fri.-Sun.	Homecoming Weekend
October 19-21, Thurs.-Sat.	Explore Bowdoin II
October 27, Friday	Sarah and James Bowdoin Day Ceremony
October 27-29, Fri.-Sun.	Family Weekend
November 22, Wednesday	Thanksgiving vacation begins, 8:00 a.m.
November 27, Monday	Thanksgiving vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
December 8, Friday	Last day of classes
December 9-12, Sat.-Tues.	Reading period
December 13-18, Wed.-Mon.	Fall semester examinations
December 19, Tuesday	College housing closes for winter break, noon
December 22 - January 7	College Holidays, most offices closed
Spring 2024	
January 16, Tuesday	College housing available for CXD's Sophomore Bootcamp, 8:00 a.m.
January 17-19, Wed.-Fri.	Sophomore Bootcamp, Career Exploration and Development
January 20, Saturday	College housing available for occupancy, 8:30 a.m.
January 22, Monday	Spring semester classes begin, 8:00 a.m.
February 8-10, Thurs.-Sat.	Meetings of the Board of Trustees
March 8, Friday	Spring vacation begins after last class
March 9, Saturday	College housing closes for spring vacation, noon
March 23, Saturday	College housing available for occupancy, 8:30 a.m.
March 25, Monday	Spring vacation ends, 8:00 a.m.
April 4-6, Thurs.-Sat.	Alumni Council, Alumni Fund Directors and BRAVO National Advisory Board meetings
April 18-20, Thurs.-Sat.	Bearings in Brunswick for Admitted Students
May 3, Friday	Honors Day
May 8, Wednesday	Last day of classes
May 9-11, Thurs.-Sat.	Meetings of the Board of Trustees
May 9-12, Thurs.-Sun.	Reading period
May 13-18, Mon.-Sat.	Spring semester examinations
May 19, Sunday	College housing closes for non-graduating students, noon
May 24, Friday	Baccalaureate
May 25, Saturday	The 219th Commencement Exercises
May 25, Saturday	College housing closes for graduating students, 6:00 p.m.
May 30-June 2, Thurs.-Sun.	Reunion Weekend
June 10-14, Mon.-Fri.	Virtual Pre-Orientation for Students Admitted for Fall 2024

The Rachel Lord Center for Religious and Spiritual Life	maintains a calendar of major religious observances to support academic and event planning in our diverse and inclusive community around the variety of religions observed by students, staff, and faculty.
The Office of Human Resources	maintains the calendar of College holidays and special days off and can provide guidance on the interpretation and recording of work around these events.