

Graduate Department of Music
Sessional Dates 2024-2025

2024 Fall Session	
M July 15	Registration for Fall session begins ⁽¹⁾
M August 5	Civic Holiday (University closed) ²
W August 2	Faculty of Music graduate course enrolment begins (6:00AM EST)
Fr August 23	Recommended tuition fee payment deadline for students registering or starting their program in the Fall session to ensure payment is received by the registration deadline of September 16, and to avoid cancellation of registration and course enrolment. International students must make a payment by this date to ensure they are covered by UHIP at the beginning of September ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾
M September 2	Labour Day (University closed) ⁽²⁾
T September 3	Faculty of Music Graduate Courses begin ⁽³⁾
September 2-6	Orientation Activities, Sept. 3-6 Placement Auditions and Grad Orientation
F September 6	Coursework must be completed and grades submitted for Summer session courses and extended courses ⁽⁴⁾
W September 11	Grades for all Summer session courses available for viewing by students on ACORN
F September 13	Final date to submit final doctoral theses to SGS to avoid fee charges for 2023-24 ⁽⁵⁾
F September 13	Registration deadline for students registering or starting their program in the Fall (September to December) session; after this date, a late registration fee will be assessed. Minimum required payment due (unpaid fees from previous session[s] + 100% of current Fall tuition fee charges) ^(1, 5)
M September 16	For Doctoral students who have completed their Final Oral Examination, final date to submit defended and approved doctoral theses to ProQuest to avoid registration and fee payment for the 2024-25 academic year ⁽⁶⁾
W September 18	Final date to add full-year and Fall session courses
M September 30	Payment deadline to avoid service charges on unpaid Fall (September to December) session tuition and non-tuition fees for students registered in the Fall session only, except for those who have successfully registered without payment because they are receiving a full funding package via a research stipend, a major award or scholarship, teaching assistantships, tuition waiver, and/or sponsorships. Monthly service charges will begin accruing on October 15 ⁽⁸⁻⁾
M September 30	Final date to submit final doctoral theses for Fall Convocation
M September 30	Final date for receipt of degree recommendations and submission of any required theses for master's degrees for Fall Convocation without fees being charged for the Fall session ⁽⁷⁾
M October 14	Thanksgiving Day (University closed) ⁽²⁾
M October 28	Final date to drop Fall session courses without academic penalty ⁽⁹⁾
Fall Convocation	Fall Convocation information and dates are posted at https://governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/convocation



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October 28-November 1	Fall Reading Week – no music classes
F November 1	Students who are eligible for the domestic tuition rate by claiming a Status in Canada exemption must apply for an international fee exemption for reassessment of both Fall and Winter session fees by this date. Students must report their status and provide supporting documentation to SGS Student Academic Services by this date. For more information on eligibility and required documentation for international fee exemptions, consult the Student Accounts website .
S November 30	Payment deadline to avoid service charges on unpaid Winter (January to April) session tuition and non-tuition fees for students registered in the Fall and Winter sessions, except for those who have successfully registered without payment because they are receiving OSAP or other government loans, a full funding package via a research stipend, a major award or scholarship, teaching assistantships, tuition waiver, and/or sponsorships. Monthly service charges will begin accruing on December 15 ⁽⁸⁾
M December 2	Classes End
T December 3	Make-up day (Thanksgiving Monday)
December 4-5	Flex Days
December 6-23	Exam Period
F December 20	Recommended tuition fee payment deadline for all tuition fees billed for the 2024 tax year (Winter 2024, Summer 2024 and Fall 2024) for students who want eligible 2024 tuition fee payments to be reported on the 2024 calendar T2202 tax certificate, available for students to view and print on ACORN on February 21, 2025
F December 20	Recommended tuition fee payment deadline for international students registering or starting their program in the Winter session (i.e. those who were not registered in the previous Fall session) to ensure they are covered by UHIP at the beginning of January. A student's status on ACORN will change from "Invited" to "Registered" when registration is complete ⁽¹⁾
T December 24	University closed for the winter break from Tuesday December 24 to Friday, January 3 inclusive. For the last day of classes before the winter break, consult your graduate unit(s) ⁽¹⁾
2025 Winter Session	
M January 6	University re-opens
M January 6	Faculty of Music courses and most formal graduate courses and seminars begin ⁽³⁾
F January 10	Deadline for graduate unit to submit final grades for Fall session courses ⁽⁴⁾
W January 15	For Doctoral students who have completed their Final Oral Examination, final date to submit defended and approved theses for doctoral degrees to avoid registration and fee payment for the 2025 Winter session ⁽¹⁰⁾
W January 15	Grades for Fall session courses available for viewing by students on ACORN
F January 17	Registration deadline for students registering or starting their program in the Winter (January to April) session; after this date, a late registration fee will be assessed. Minimum required payment due (unpaid fees from previous session[s] + 100% of current Winter session tuition fee charges). A student's status on ACORN will change from "Invited" to "Registered" when registration is complete ⁽¹⁾⁽¹¹⁾



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M January 20	Final date to add Winter session courses ⁽¹¹⁾
F January 24	Final date for receipt of master's degree recommendations from graduate units and submission of any required theses to ProQuest for March or June graduation from master's students without fees being charged for the Winter session ⁽⁷⁾
F January 24	Final date for all students to request that their degrees be conferred <i>in absentia</i> in March (no ceremony) ⁽⁷⁾
F January 24	Final date to submit defended and approved final doctoral theses for March graduation <i>in absentia</i> (no ceremony) ⁽⁶⁾
F January 24	Students dually registered in the Fall session must be recommended for the master's degree by this date to maintain their PhD registration ^{(7) (12)}
F January 31	Payment deadline to avoid service charges on unpaid Winter (January to April) session tuition and non-tuition fees for students registered in the Winter session only, except for those who have successfully registered without payment because they are receiving a full funding package via a research stipend, a major award or scholarship, teaching assistantships, tuition waiver, and/or sponsorships. Monthly service charges will begin accruing on February 15 ⁽⁸⁾
F January 31	Students who are eligible for the domestic tuition rate by claiming a Status in Canada exemption must apply for an international fee exemption for reassessment of Winter session fees by this date. Students must report their status and provide supporting documentation to SGS Student Academic Services by this date. For more information on eligibility and required documentation for international fee exemptions, consult the Student Accounts website .
February 17-21	Winter Reading Week – no music classes
M February 17	Family Day (University closed) ⁽²⁾
F February 28	Final date to drop full-year and Winter session courses without academic penalty ⁽⁹⁾
March	March graduation <i>in absentia</i> (no ceremony) information is posted at https://governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/convocation
F April 4	Classes End (Music)
April 7-8	Flex days
April 9-30	Exam period
F April 11	Final date for receipt of master's degree recommendations from graduate units and submission of any required theses from master's students for June Convocation ⁽⁷⁾
F April 11	Final date for submission of defended and approved doctoral theses to ProQuest for students whose degrees are to be conferred at the June Convocation ⁽⁶⁾
F April 11	For students obtaining degrees at June Convocation, coursework must be completed and grades submitted for full-year and Winter session courses
F April 11	Students dually registered in the Winter session must be recommended for the master's degree by this date to maintain their PhD registration ^{(7) (12)}
F April 18	Good Friday (University closed) ⁽²⁾
W April 30	Payment deadline to avoid service charges on unpaid Fall-Winter (September to April) session tuition and non-tuition fees for students who have successfully registered without payment because they are receiving a full funding package via a research stipend, a major award or scholarship, teaching assistantships, and/or sponsorships. Monthly service charges will begin accruing on May 15 ⁽⁸⁾



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2025 Summer Session	
May	For the first day of Summer session classes, consult your graduate unit(s)
F May 2	Registration deadline for students registering or starting their program in the Summer (May to August) session; after this date, a late registration fee will be assessed. Minimum required payment due (unpaid fees from previous session[s] + 50% of Summer session tuition fees) ⁽¹⁾⁽¹³⁾
F May 9	Deadline for graduate units to submit final grades for full-year and Winter session courses (except for extended courses) ⁽⁴⁾
M May 12	Final date to enrol in May-to-June or May-to-August session courses
W May 14	Grades for Winter session courses available for viewing by students on ACORN
M May 19	Victoria Day (University closed) ⁽¹⁾
F May 30	Payment deadline to avoid service charges on unpaid Summer (May to August) session tuition and non-tuition fees for students registered in the Summer session, except for those who have successfully registered without payment because they are receiving a full funding package via a research stipend, a major award or scholarship, teaching assistantships, tuition waiver, and/or sponsorships. Monthly service charges will begin accruing on June 15 ⁽³⁾
June	June Convocation information and dates are posted at https://governingcouncil.utoronto.ca/convocation
M June 2	Final date to drop May-to-June F section courses without academic penalty ⁽⁹⁾
M June 23	Final date to drop May-to-August session Y section courses without academic penalty ⁽⁹⁾
M June 30	Students who are eligible for the domestic tuition rate by claiming a Status in Canada exemption must apply for an international fee exemption for reassessment of Summer session fees by this date. Students must report their status and provide supporting documentation to SGS Student Academic Services by this date. For more information on eligibility and required documentation for international fee exemptions, consult the Student Accounts website .
T July 1	Canada Day (University closed) ⁽²⁾
M July 7	Final date to enrol in July-to-August courses ^(13, 14)
F July 11	Deadline for graduate units to May-to-June F section courses ⁽⁴⁾
W July 16	Grades for May-to-June F section courses available for viewing by students on ACORN
M July 28	Final date to drop July-to-August S section courses without academic penalty ⁽⁹⁾
M August 4	Civic Holiday (University closed) ⁽²⁾

Footnotes

-1	<p>To be registered, students must pay at least the Minimum Payment to Register Amount displayed on their current session ACORN invoice or have an approved request to register without payment (fee deferral) in place before the SGS registration deadline. A student's status will change from "Invited" to "Registered" on ACORN when registration is complete.</p> <p>Students who successfully register without payment should arrange to make payments throughout the academic year as they receive funding from their scholarship, award, or other sources. Full payment of Fall and Winter session tuition and residence fees is due by April 30 at the latest.</p>
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	Students registered in the Fall and Winter sessions are not normally charged Summer fees. For students starting in the Summer, fees will appear in their ACORN invoice accordingly.
-2	University Holiday Schedule
-3	The precise dates of commencement of courses are determined by the graduate units; students are advised to contact the relevant graduate units for information. SGS maintains the 13-week graduate instruction period; however, if a course does not fall into the traditional 13-week period, the graduate unit will inform students of important dates and deadlines in the course syllabus. The University welcomes and includes students, staff, and faculty from a wide range of cultural, traditional, and spiritual beliefs. As per the Policy on Scheduling of Classes and Examinations and Other Accommodations for Religious Observances, the University will "...arrange reasonable accommodation of the needs of students who observe religious holy days other than those already accommodated by ordinary scheduling and statutory holidays." For more information, please refer to Accommodation: Religious Observances. The obligation not to discriminate on the basis of religion is a statutory duty arising from the Ontario Human Rights Code, which carries an obligation to accommodate religious requirements. Graduate students may only enrol in undergraduate courses with the approval of their supervisor or graduate unit. Students are responsible for meeting the deadlines and requirements of the undergraduate course as presented in class and in the undergraduate division's calendar. Graduate students will be graded under the graduate grading scale. Students should consult the appropriate undergraduate calendar for enrolment and dates.
-4	Graduate units may establish earlier deadlines for completion of coursework and may prescribe penalties for late completion of work and for failure to complete work, provided that these penalties are announced at the time the instructor makes known to the class the methods by which student performance shall be evaluated.
-5	To avoid cancellation of registration and course enrolment, students must ensure via ACORN that their tuition fee payment is received or that they have successfully registered without payment (defer fees) before September 17, 2024. A student's status on ACORN will change from "Invited" to "Registered" when registration is complete. Students are strongly advised to make their tuition fee payment 5 to 10 business days before the registration deadline.
-6	A final thesis is the corrected, approved version of the thesis which is submitted to ProQuest following the Final Oral Examination.
-7	Graduate units may establish earlier deadlines for completing degree requirements. Students are advised to consult their own graduate unit for information. Graduate units must submit master's degree recommendations to SGS by this date.
-8	This allows up to 10 business days for processing and recording of the fee payment in the student's ACORN account before the monthly service charge billing date for unpaid tuition and non-tuition fees. More information on service charges can be found on the Student Accounts website .
-9	Graduate units may establish earlier deadlines to add/drop courses but these dates must clearly be communicated to students. The last date to cancel a course or registration with no academic penalty is not the same as the last date to be eligible for a refund. Please refer to the Tuition Fee & Refund Schedules for Graduate Studies in the Student Accounts website .
-10	Academic fees for full-time doctoral students in the final year of their program, and who are before their maximum time limit, are pro-rated based on the 12-month academic year. Sessional incidentals will be charged at a full rate. Academic fees for doctoral students in the final extension year, and who are beyond their maximum time limit, are prorated based on 50% of the annual domestic fee for the 12-month academic year. Sessional incidentals will be charged at a full rate. For details, visit Final-Year Fees .
-11	To avoid cancellation of registration and course enrolment, students must ensure via ACORN that their tuition fee payment is received or that they have successfully registered without payment (defer fees) before January 21, 2025. A student's status on ACORN will change from "Invited" to "Registered" when registration is complete. Students are strongly advised to make their tuition fee payment 5 to 10 business days before the registration deadline.
-12	Please refer to the SGS policy on Dual Registration under General Regulations section 6.1.13



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-13	To avoid cancellation of registration and course enrolment, students must ensure via ACORN that their tuition fee payment is received or that they have successfully registered without payment (defer fees) by Aug 23. A student's status on ACORN will change from "Invited" to "Registered" when registration is complete. Students are strongly advised to make their tuition fee payment 5 to 10 business days before the registration deadline
-14	Students who start their program in the Summer and returning students who are only enrolled in July-to-August Summer courses are required to register by this date by paying the minimum tuition amount stated in their invoice.