

Fall 2026 Important Dates

ALL FEES, HOURS, LOCATIONS, AND DATES SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE

Please check the College of the Desert Website for changes

**FULL-TERM CLASSES - Dates on this page apply to classes meeting for the full length of the term (16 weeks).
Check Self Service for dates for short term sections.**

- August 31 Fall Classes begin
- September 2 Authorization to Add is required to add or register full-term courses in Self Service.
- September 7 Holiday - Labor Day - CAMPUS CLOSED. No scheduled classes.
- September 8 Last day to add full-term classes. For late start courses go to Self Service, enter any start date after September 8.
- September 13 Last day to drop full-term classes and qualify for refunds. Students enrolled beyond this date are financially responsible for their fees.
- September 13 Last day to drop classes without a grade of "W."
- September 14 Census due for full term classes. Faculty must clear their rosters no later than the business day prior to this date.
- November 11 Holiday - Veterans Day - CAMPUS CLOSED. No Wednesday scheduled classes.
- November 20 Last day to drop full-term classes with a grade of "W."
- November 27 Last day to submit Fall 2026 Application to Graduate
- November 26-27 Holiday - Thanksgiving - CAMPUS CLOSED. No Saturday Classes November 28
- December 12-18 Final Exams for full term classes (See Final Exam Schedule, page 11)

Registration Levels for Current and Re-enrolling Students in Good Standing

Level	Who	Date	Time
1A	DSPS, Veterans, EOPS-CARE, CalWorks, Foster Youth, Rising Scholars, and Student Parents *	Monday, March 16	9:00 a.m.
1B	TRIO-ACES *	Monday, March 16	12:00 p.m.
1C	91 - 100 COD Units & Athletics *	Monday, March 16	3:00 p.m.
2A	81 - 90 COD Units & ASCOD & MESA *	Tuesday, March 17	9:00 a.m.
2B	71 - 80 COD Units & Tutors in TASC, Student Ambassadors, Black Student Success Center, International Education Students *	Tuesday, March 17	12:00 p.m.
2C	61 - 70 COD Units	Tuesday, March 17	3:00 p.m.
3A	51 - 60 COD Units	Wednesday, March 18	9:00 a.m.
4A	ABE & ESLN Certificate Earned, Dreamer Resource Center *	Wednesday, March 18	12:00 p.m.
4B	Winter 2026 pLEDGE students with 12 or more units *	Thursday, March 19	9:00 a.m.
4C	Winter 2026 pLEDGE students with fewer than 12 units *	Thursday, March 19	12:00 p.m.
5A	41 - 50 COD Units	Thursday, March 19	3:00 p.m.
5B	31 - 40 COD Units	Friday, March 20	9:00 a.m.
5C	21 - 30 COD Units	Monday, March 23	9:00 a.m.
6A	15 - 20 COD Units	Monday, March 23	12:00 p.m.
6B	10 -14 COD Units	Monday, March 23	3:00 p.m.
6C	5 - 9 COD Units	Tuesday, March 24	9:00 a.m.
7A	1- 4 COD Units; 0 COD Units earned; currently enrolled in 0-12 or more units.	Tuesday, March 24	12:00 p.m.
8A	New students to COD who have completed the online orientation requirement.	Tuesday, March 24	3:00 p.m.
9A	101 or more units; 2 or more terms of Academic Probation and/or 2 or more terms of Progress Probation.	Wednesday, March 25	9:00 a.m.
*Applies unless students meet criteria for 9A. Foster Youth are exempt..			
9B	Open Enrollment	Monday, March 30	9:00 a.m.