

ACADEMIC CALENDAR: Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) 2026-2027

Fall 2026	DVM Year 1 (OnWard) Class of 2030	DVM Year 2 (OnWard) Class of 2029	DVM Year 3 (legacy) Class of 2028
Selectives Week	NA	NA	Aug 24-28, 2026
New Student Orientation	Aug 26-28, 2026	NA	NA
Instruction Begins	Sep 2, 2026	Sep 2, 2026	Sep 2, 2026
Labor Day	Sep 7, 2026	Sep 7, 2026	Sep 7, 2026
Thanksgiving Recess	Nov 26-29, 2026	Nov 26-29, 2026	Nov 26-29, 2026
Last Class Day	Dec 18, 2026	Dec 18, 2026	Dec 9, 2026
Study Day	NA	NA	Dec 10, 2026
Exam Period	NA	NA	Dec 11-17*, 2026

* No exams on Dec 13, 2026

Winter Break: After Last Class Day thru Jan 10, 2027

Spring 2027	DVM Year 1 (OnWard) Class of 2030	DVM Year 2 (OnWard) Class of 2029	DVM Year 3 (legacy) Class of 2028
Instruction Begins	Jan 11, 2027	Jan 11, 2027	Jan 11, 2027
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Jan 18, 2027	Jan 18, 2027	Jan 18, 2027
DVM Spring Recess**	Mar 6-14, 2027	Mar 6-14, 2027	Mar 6-14, 2027
Last Class Day	Apr 30, 2027	Apr 30, 2027	Apr 23, 2027
Study Day	NA	NA	Apr 24, 2027
Exam Period	NA	NA	Apr 25-30, 2027
Selectives Week	May 3-7, 2027	May 3-7, 2027	May Break
Clinical Rotations Begin	NA	NA	May 10, 2027

**UW-Madison undergraduate and graduate student spring recess is March 20-28, 2027

DVM Year 4 (legacy) Class of 2027: May 11, 2026-May 9, 2027

Commencement Weekend: May 7-9, 2027

Official degree conferral May 9, 2027

Religious Observances Policy: <https://secfac.wisc.edu/academic-calendar/religious-observances/>