

School of Law Calendar 23-24

SCHOOL OF LAW

2023-2024 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

FALL SEMESTER 2023

June 23, Friday	Early Processing deadline for receipt of all required Financial Aid documents for Fall 2023 Consideration. Documents include (but not limited to) Verification, Independent Status Petition, Special Circumstances Appeal, Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Appeal, College Enrollment Verification, Authorization to Apply Title IV Funds This information is from the HU main campus calendar and may change for the School of Law. Please be sure to follow all email instructions regarding financial aid and student health deadlines.
June 30, Friday	Deadline for required health documents for new entrants This information is from the HU main campus calendar and may change for the School of Law. Please be sure to follow all email instructions regarding financial aid and student health deadlines.
July 10, Monday	Fall 2023 Statements available via BisonWeb This information is from the HU main campus calendar and may change for the School of Law. Please be sure to follow all email instructions regarding financial aid and student health deadlines.
July 30, Sunday	Last day to submit ADA accommodation requests for Fall 2023 midterms to the Howard University Office of Student Services to ensure letters are received in time for exams. Note that Student Services may take 6-8 weeks to process requests so requests submitted after this date may not meet the deadline (see below). To submit a request visit: https://studentaffairs.howard.edu/diversity-inclusion/accommodations-requests
August 7, Monday	Payment-in-full due for Fall 2023 (ALL STUDENTS)
August 7, Monday to	
August 11, Friday	Fall orientation for 1L, LL.M., transfer, and exchange students.
August 7, Monday to	
August 9, Wednesday	Orientation for Criminal Justice Clinic, Fair Housing Clinic and Child Welfare Clinic (to be confirmed pending court information).
August 11, Friday	All Clinic and Externship Orientation
August 11, Friday	Deadline for receipt of Summer 2022 graduation recommendations in the Office of the Registrar.

Fall disbursement of financial aid to eligible students' accounts with the Office Of Bursar This information is from the HU main campus calendar and may change for the School of Law. Please be sure to follow all email instructions regarding financial aid and student health deadlines.

August 14,
Monday FORMAL CLASSES BEGIN

August 23,
Wednesday Deadline to apply for the Externship Program and class for Fall 2023. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis up until the deadline or until the class is full, whichever is earlier. Thus, students are not guaranteed a spot in the class and should apply as soon as possible.

August 14,
Monday to August 25,
Friday Late Registration/Add/Drop period
August 25 is the last date to add or drop a course. After this date, students must withdraw before the deadline and will have a grade of "W" for the course.

August 14
through October 20 3L academic advisement with Dean Olivares to ensure graduation. Make an appointment during Open Hours. Ensure compliance with all requirements in the Graduation Checklist and the Student Handbook.

Deadline to receive 100% refund of tuition/fees.

September 1, Friday Students must complete withdrawal process before this date to receive a 100% refund of tuition/fees. Please note that the student must submit the online Total Withdrawal Request Form by searching on the HU website for "total withdrawal."

September 4, Monday University Closed – Labor Day Observed

September 5, Tuesday Deadline to send Fall 2023 exam conflicts alternate exam day request JotForm. See eligibility below. The JotForm link will be provided to students in advance.

September 11, Monday Graduation Application available via BisonWeb for Fall 2023 prospective candidates

September 18, Monday Registration holds for Spring 2024 applied to all accounts with a balance greater than zero, and late payment fees assessed.

September 11, Monday to November 10, Friday Graduation Application available via Bison Web for Fall 2023 prospective candidates.

Opening Convocation

September 15, Friday 11:00 A.M. (Classes Suspended from 10:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.)
Cramton Auditorium

September 18, Monday Last day to submit ADA accommodation requests for Fall 2023 finals to the Howard University Office of Student Services to ensure letters are received in time for exams.

Note Student Services may take from 6-8 weeks to process requests so requests submitted after this date may not meet the deadline (see below). To submit a request visit:

<https://studentaffairs.howard.edu/diversity-inclusion/accommodations-requests>

Deadline to inform the HUSL Office of Student Affairs of non-emergency ADA accommodations for Fall 2023 midterms. Note you must provide a copy of your approval letter from the Office of Student Services directly to OSA staff by this date. To submit a request to the Office of Student Services, click [here](#). This request should be submitted 6-8 weeks prior to September 18. Letters provided to the HUSL Office of Student Affairs after this date will not receive accommodations for Fall 2023 midterm exams.

September
18, Tuesday

Deadline to receive 50% refund of tuition/fees.

September
25, Monday

Students must complete the online withdrawal process. Search "total withdrawal" on the HU website for the updated form.

2024-2025 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) available

September
30,
Saturday

Preliminary Enrollment Census Date

MIDTERMS- All midterms occur during this time.

Midterms may occur during class time for a duration that is less than the class meeting OR may be in take-home format for a period of no less than 12 hours.

Upper-class students may have multiple midterms on one day. There are no alternate exam day requests for midterms. ADA-accommodated students must have their approved accommodations by the beginning of the fall semester (see deadline and information above). Upper-level course midterms are at the discretion of the professor.

October 2-
October 11

1L schedule:

Civil Procedure: Monday, October 2

Legislation Regulation: Wednesday, October 4

Torts: Tuesday, October 10

Contracts (occurs during final exam period)

October 9,
Monday

University Closed- Mental Health Day

October 13,
Friday

Deadline for Independent Study proposals; petitions to study abroad, visit another institution, or participate in an exchange program for Spring 2024. Review procedures in Student Handbook and submit proposals and petitions to the Dean of Academic Affairs.

October 20,
Friday

Final Enrollment Census Date

October 23,
Monday to
April 6,
Friday

Graduation application available via BisonWeb for Spring 2024 prospective candidates.

October 27,
Friday

Deadline to receive 25% refund of tuition/fees.

Students must complete the online withdrawal process. Search "total withdrawal" on the HU website for the updated form.

November 3, Friday	Spring 2024 registration begins at 9 am (LL.M students only)
	Spring 2024 registration begins at 9 am (3L students only)
November 6, Monday	Spring 2024 registration begins at 9 am (2L students)
November 8, Wednesday	Note that registration is open each day between 9 am and 11:59 pm until the end of the Add/Drop period.
November 10, Friday	University Closed – Veteran's Day Observed Mental Health Day
	Last day to withdraw from a course. Note this may change due to the holiday. Please view the HU main academic calendar for any updates. This will be corrected if it changes.
	Students will receive 0% refund of tuition/fees.
	Students must complete withdrawal process before this date or will receive an "F" grade for the course.
November 10, Friday	Last day to complete a total withdrawal from the University. Students must complete the online withdrawal process. Search "total withdrawal" on the HU website for the updated form.
	Last day to request institutional short-term emergency loan.
	Deadline for prospective Fall 2023 graduates to apply for graduation via BisonWeb.
	Deadline to inform the HUSL Office of Student Affairs of, non-emergency ADA accommodations for Fall 2023 final exams. Note you must provide a copy of your approval letter from the Office of Student Services directly to OSA staff by this date. To submit a request to the Office of Student Services, click here .
November 13, Monday	This request should be submitted 6-8 weeks prior to November 13th. Letters provided to the HUSL Office of Student Affairs after this date will not receive accommodations for Fall 2023 Final exams.
	FORMAL CLASSES END.
November 22, Wednesday	Afternoon and evening classes meet unless professor otherwise assures class meeting times are complete.
November 23, Thursday to November 26, Sunday	University Closed – Thanksgiving Recess
November 24, Friday to	Reading Period

November
29,
Wednesday

December 1, Deadline for students to clear Spring 2022 Incomplete Grades
Friday

November
30,
Thursday
December Final examinations
12, Tuesday

Make-up Exam Day. Students should keep this day open in the event they must make up an exam due to an exam-day
December 2, emergency.
Saturday

FIRST SEMESTER ENDS

December
12, Tuesday

Official GRADUATION DATE for Fall 2023 degree recipients

December
18, Monday
to

UNIVERSITY CLOSED- WINTER RECESS

January 1,
Monday
2023

SPRING SEMESTER 2024

January 5, Last day to submit ADA accommodation requests for Spring 2024 midterms to the Howard University Office of Student Services
Friday to ensure letters are received in time for exams. Note that Student Services may take from 6-8 weeks to process requests so requests submitted after this date may not meet the deadline (see below). To submit a request, click [here](#).

January 8, FORMAL CLASSES BEGIN
Monday

January 8, January 19 is the last date to add or drop a course. After this date, students must withdraw before the deadline and will have a
Monday to grade of "W" for the course.
January 19, Friday

January 15, University Closed – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday Observed
Monday

January 17, Wednesday	<p>Deadline to submit Externship application. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis up until the deadline or until the class is full, whichever is earlier. Thus, students are not guaranteed a spot in the class and should apply as soon as possible.</p> <p>Deadline to receive 100% refund of tuition/fees.</p> <p>Students must complete withdrawal process before this date to receive a 100% refund of tuition/fees. Students must complete the online withdrawal process. Search "total withdrawal" on the HU website for the updated form.</p>
January 19, Friday	<p>Financial holds applied to all accounts with a balance greater than zero and late payment fees assessed.</p> <p>Deadline for receipt of December 2023 graduation recommendations</p>
January 24, Wednesday	<p>Deadline to send Spring 2024 exam conflicts alternate exam day request JotForm. We will send out the email link to request an alternate exam date via email. See eligibility below.</p>
January 26, Friday	<p>Spring 1L Orientation: all 1L classes are suspended on this Friday to accommodate the mandatory 1L orientation.</p>
February 2, Friday	<p>UNIVERSITY CLOSED- Mental Health Day</p>
February 6, Tuesday	<p>Deadline to inform the HUSL Office of Student Affairs of, non-emergency ADA accommodations for Spring 2024 midterm exams. Note you must provide a copy of your approval letter from Office of Student Services directly to OSA staff by this date. To submit a request to the Office of Student Services, click here.</p> <p>This request should be submitted 6-8 weeks prior to February 6. Letters provided to the HUSL Office of Student Affairs after this date will not receive accommodations for Spring 2024 Final exams.</p> <p>Deadline to receive 50% refund of tuition/fees. Students must complete the online withdrawal process. Search "total withdrawal" on the HU website for the updated form.</p>
February 13, Tuesday	<p>Preliminary Enrollment Census Date</p>
February 19, Monday	<p>University Closed – President's Day Observed</p> <p>MIDTERMS- All midterms occur during this time.</p> <p>Midterms may occur during class time for a duration that is less than the class meeting OR may be in take-home format for a period of no less than 12 hours.</p>
Tuesday, February 20- Wednesday, March 1	<p>Upper-class students may have multiple midterms on one day. There are no alternate exam day requests for midterms. ADA-accommodated students must have their approved accommodations by the beginning of the spring semester (see January 20 deadline and information above).</p> <p>1L Schedule TBD</p>
February 22, Thursday	<p>Deadline for Independent Study proposals; petitions to study abroad, visit another institution, or participate in an exchange program for Summer 2024 and Fall 2024. Review the rules and processes in the Student Handbook and submit proposals and petitions to the Office of Academic Affairs.</p>

	Charter Day Convocation – Cramton Auditorium 11:00 A.M.
March 1, Friday	(Classes suspended 10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.)
	Deadline to receive 25% refund of tuition/fees (Last day for tuition/fees refund). Students must complete the online withdrawal process. Search “total withdrawal” on the HU website for the updated form.
	Last day to submit ADA accommodation requests for Spring 2024 final exams to the Howard University Office of Student Services to ensure letters are received in time for exams. Note Student Services may take from 6-8 weeks to process requests so requests submitted after this date may not meet the deadline (see below). To submit a request click here .
March 2, Saturday to	Howard University School of Law closed – Spring Break
March 10, Sunday	
March 8, Friday	Final Enrollment Census Date
	Last day to withdraw from a course.
	Students will receive 0% refund of tuition/fees.
	Students must complete withdrawal process before this date or will receive an “F” grade for the course.
	Students must complete the online withdrawal process. Search “total withdrawal” on the HU website for the updated form.
April 5, Friday	
	Deadline for receipt of financial aid applications for Summer 2024
	Deadline for request for financial aid award adjustment for Spring 2024
April 9, Tuesday	Fall 2024 registration begins for current 2L and LL.M students
	Fall 2024 registration for current 1L students
April 11, Thursday	Bison Web is available for registration from 9:00 am to 11:59 pm each day until the end of the Add/Drop period.
April 12, Friday	Deadline for prospective Spring 2024 graduates to apply for graduation via BisonWeb (Fees Apply).
April 15, Monday to	
June 28, Friday	Graduation application available via Bison Web for Summer 2024 prospective candidates.
April 15, Monday	Deadline to inform the HUSL Office of Student Affairs of, non-emergency ADA accommodations for Spring 2024 Final exams. Note you must provide a copy of your approval letter from Office of Student Services directly to OSA staff by this date. To submit a request to the Office of Student Services, click here .

This should be submitted 6-8 weeks prior to April 15th. Letters provided to the HUSL Office of Student Affairs after this date will not receive accommodations for Spring 2024 Final exams.

Summer 2024 Registration begins for Continuing students. Note that financial aid awards are tentatively set to disburse on May 10, 2023. If a student is near the academic probation minimum of 75 GPA, the student should be aware of the possibility that they are ineligible for summer financial aid. Moreover, students in danger of academic dismissal should not register for summer school.

April 24,
Wednesday

Formal Classes End

April 25,
Thursday to

Reading Period

April 28,
Sunday

April 26,
Friday

Deadline for students to clear Fall 2023 incomplete grades with instructors.

April 29,
Monday to

Final Examinations

May 9,
Thursday

Deadline for Records office to submit special grade reports to

May 3, Friday the Office of the Registrar for removal of incomplete grades for Fall 2023.

May 8,
Wednesday
to

Graduation clearance for spring graduates.

May 9,
Thursday

Baccalaureate – Howard University School of Law—Dunbarton Chapel, 11:00 A.M. TENTATIVE

Deadline for receipt of May 2024 graduation recommendations to the Office of the Registrar.

May 11,
Friday

Summer financial aid disbursements for eligible students. (Tentative date for School of Law students. More information will be provided closer to the summer semester.)

May 11,
Saturday

Commencement

Upper Quadrangle - Main Campus, 10:00 A.M

School of Law Hooding Ceremony

TBD Burr Gymnasium - Main Campus, 2:30 P.M. TENTATIVE

May 17, Friday Evaluate Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for 2024-2025. (Tentative date for School of Law students. More information will be provided closer to the summer semester.)

May 24, Friday Deadline for Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Appeals for the 2024-2025 academic year. (Tentative date for School of Law students. More information will be provided closer to the summer semester.)

SUMMER SEMESTER 2024

April 22, Monday to Registration for all students; payment-in-full due upon registration.
(Add or drop a course without a grade of "W").

May 13, Monday

May 10, Friday Deadline for receipt of all required financial aid documents for Fall 2023 consideration.

First day of classes

May 13, Monday

Deadline to receive 100% refund of tuition/fees.

May 20, Monday Payment Due in Full for Summer Registration (All Students). Please note that the online Total Withdrawal Request Form must be submitted to drop a summer course.

May 22, Wednesday Summer Registration Disenrollment due to nonpayment

Deadline to receive 50% refund of tuition/fees.

May 27, Monday

Note that the online Total Withdrawal Request Form must be submitted to drop from a summer course.

University Closed – Memorial Day Observed

Graduation holds applied for Summer 2024 graduates.

May 31, Friday

Deadline to receive 25% refund of tuition/fees.

Please note that the online Total Withdrawal Request Form must be submitted to drop a summer course.

June 3, Monday

LAST DAY TO WITHDRAW FROM A COURSE

June 7, Friday Priority Processing Deadline for receipt of all required Financial Aid Documents for Fall 2024 consideration. Documents include (but not limited to) Verification, Independent Status Petition, Special Circumstances Appeal, College Enrollment Verification, Authorization to Apply Title IV Funds.

Last day to complete a total withdrawal from the University (Summer session only)

June 17,
Monday University Closed- Juneteenth Observed

June 29,
Sunday Deadline for Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) Appeals for the 2024-2025 academic year.

July 4,
Thursday University Closed – Independence Day Observed

July 3,
Wednesday Last week of doctrinal classes; students will not attend these classes after this week.

Last week for externship classes; students will not attend externship classes after this week.

July 8,
Monday

July 5,
Friday to

July 7,
Sunday Reading Period

July 8 week Final Examinations

July 12,
Friday School of Law Summer 2024 semester ends
Official graduation date for Summer 2024 degree recipients

July 27,
Saturday Deadline for receipt of Summer 2024 Graduation Recommendations in the Office of the Registrar