Vanderbilt University School of Nursing

Academic Calendar for 2017 – 2018

Fall Semester 2017

August 16, 17, 18 (Wed - Fri)	MSN Pre-Specialty Level New Student Orientation
August 16, 17 (Wed - Thurs)	ASN-MSN Level New student orientation
August 18 (Fri)	ASN-MSN Level – 1 st day of class
August 21 (Mon)	MSN Pre-Specialty Level classes begin
August 21, 22 (Mon - Tues)	MSN Specialty Level orientation (BSN and MSN entry)
August 22 (Tues)	Orientation for MSN students progressing to the MSN Specialty Level (afternoon only)
August 23 (Wed)	MSN Specialty Level classes begin
	Important: Please check your specialty class schedule for specific information on start dates for required classes
August 28 – August 31 (Mon - Thurs)	DNP student orientation and intensive
August 28 – Sept 1 (Mon – Fri)	PhD student orientation and intensive
September 4 (Mon)	Labor Day – no VUSN Classes
October 6 – October 7	Vanderbilt Homecoming and Reunion
October 14 (Sat) tentative	MSN and DNP Fall Open House
November 18 – November 26 (Sat – Sun)	Thanksgiving Break
December 8 (Friday)	Last day of classes for all students
December 8 (Friday)	December Pinning Ceremony
December 11, 12, 13 (Mon – Wed)	Final Exams
Spring Semester 2018	
January 3 (Wed)	First day of Spring semester for Pre-specialty and Specialty courses
	Important: Please check your specialty class schedule for specific information on start dates for required classes
January 8 - 11 (Mon – Thurs)	PhD and DNP intensive

January 15 (Mon)	MLK Holiday for all students – No VUSN Classes
March 3 - 11 (Sat – Sun)	Spring Break
March 3 (Sat) tentative	MSN and DNP Spring Open House
April 13 (Fri)	Classes end
April 16, 17, 18 (Mon – Wed)	Final Exams
	Important: MSN Pre-Specialty Clinical continues during the week of final exams
April 20 (Fri)	Last Day of Spring Semester
Summer Semester 2018	
April 30 (Mon)	First Day of Summer Semester for Pre-specialty and Specialty students
	Important: Please check your specialty class schedule for specific information on start dates for required classes
May 7 - 10 (Mon – Thurs)	PhD and DNP intensive
May 10 (Thursday)	Reception for Graduates
	May Pinning Ceremony
May 11 (Friday)	Commencement
May 28 (Monday)	Memorial Day holiday – No VUSN classes
July 4 (Wed)	July 4 holiday – No VUSN classes
August 5 (Sunday)	Pinning Ceremony for Summer 2018 Graduates