



# SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY

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## REGISTRAR'S REPORT

### SPRING SEMESTER CALENDAR

Tue	Jan 2	Scheduling begins for non-degree students
Tue	Jan 2	Deadline to apply for May & August graduation
Mon	Jan 15	MLK Day, University Closed
Fri	Jan 19	New student orientation
Mon	Jan 22	Regular class schedule begins
Mon	Jan 22	Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory option begins
Mon	Jan 29	Drop and add period ends for POT 1
Tue	Jan 30	Withdraw with W grade period begins for POT 1
Mon	Feb 5	Deadline for Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory option
Mon	Feb 12	High demand major change deadline
Fri	Mar 8	EWGs due by 4 p.m.
Fri	Mar 8	Spring break begins at 4 p.m.
Mon	Mar 18	Classes resume at 8 a.m.
		<i>Scheduling dates are tentative</i>
Mon	Mar 18	<i>G scheduling for summer/fall begins</i>
Mon	Mar 25	<i>UG scheduling for summer begins</i>
Mon	Mar 25	<i>UG scheduling for fall begins</i>
Mon	Apr 1	Last day to withdraw with "W" for full term (POT 1).
Fri	May 3	Day and evening classes end
Mon-Fri	May 6-10	Final exams
Fri	May 10	Graduate Commencement
Sat	May 11	Undergraduate Commencement
Thu	May 16	Grades due by 3 p.m.

\*Visit the Registrar's Office page at <https://www.ship.edu/academics/academics-resources/registrar/semester-information/spring/> for additional important dates and deadlines.

## myShip PORTAL

The myShip portal provides access to a wide range of information and services. Services include course information and links, calendar links, and important messages. The portal may be reached at <https://my.ship.edu>.

## EARLY ALERT PROGRAM

Visit [https://www.ship.edu/life/student-retention/early\\_alert/](https://www.ship.edu/life/student-retention/early_alert/) for information on the Early Alert Program.

Information and the online referral form for faculty and staff are available in the myShip portal.

Follow these steps to make a referral:

- Log into the myShip Portal
- The Early Alert Program is accessible under two tabs:
  - Faculty tab: Tools
    - Click on SSC Navigate
  - Employee tab: Tools
    - Under Campus Information System Tools, click on SSC Navigate
  - On the right side of the page, you should read the title Actions
  - Under Actions, click Issue an Alert

## DEPARTMENT/PROGRAM UPDATES

The following updates have been approved since the last Registrar's Report was printed. Please reference the UCC proposal listed for specific details.

### New Programs:

- 23-978 – Artificial Intelligence Certificate
- 23-971 – Graphics and Gaming Certificate

### Program Revisions:

- 23-969 – BS in Computer Science, Computer Science Applications concentration
- 23-979 – BS in Computer Science, Computer Science with Secondary Field concentration
- 23-936 – BSED in History, Comprehensive Social Studies
- 23-990 – BS in Computer Engineering
- 23-1063 – BS in Exercise Science, Human Performance & Fitness Concentration

### Moratorium Programs:

- 23-978 – BS in Computer Science, Artificial Intelligence concentration
- 23-971 - BS in Computer Science, Computer Graphics & Gaming concentration

## CLASS LISTS

Class lists are available through the myShip portal. Class lists should be accessed prior to the start of class. Class lists should be accessed again on January 30th, which is after schedule adjustment. Please refer to the detailed instructions distributed via e-mail to faculty regarding the reporting of discrepancies. **A final class list review must be done by February 5th**, as outlined in the detailed instructions that were distributed.

## SCHEDULE ADJUSTMENT PERIOD

The drop and add periods extend to the **eighth** calendar day, excluding holidays to adjust their schedule. The deadline to drop or add a class for the full term (POT 1) this spring is **Monday, January 29th**.

To view a complete listing of all drop and add deadlines for various parts of term, visit <https://www.ship.edu/academics/academics-resources/registrar/semester-information/spring/>.

## REPEAT POLICY

### Undergraduate Students:

- Students may avail themselves of the repeat/grade replacement option a total of six times, with the most recent grade of the course being used in the QPA calculation, regardless of whether grade is higher or lower.
- A single course repeat for grade improvement will be limited to two times. The six repeats may include repeating six courses one time each, repeating three single courses two times each, or any combination which adds up to six instances where a single course is not repeated more than two times.

### Graduate Students:

- Permission from the academic department must be obtained before a course may be repeated.
- Graduate students are limited to a total of two repeats where the most recent grade of the course will be

used in the QPA calculation, regardless of whether that grade is higher or lower.

- A single course repeat for grade improvement is limited to one time.

Prior to any student athlete or any student with financial aid utilizing the repeat option, the student should ensure it will not jeopardize their status as a student athlete or their ability to receive financial aid.

In Banner, when a student repeats a course, the student's QPA is recalculated at the point in which the course being repeated was initially taken. Previously, when a student repeated a course, the student's QPA was recalculated at the point in which the repeat course was taken.

## FIRST DAY ATTENDANCE POLICY

The first day attendance policy allows faculty to remove students from a course if they do not attend the first class session and do not provide notice to the faculty or the department secretary. This also applies to the first class after a student adds a course during schedule adjustment. If students are dropped from a course this way, they may only reschedule it if it is open during schedule adjustment.

Even if students do not attend the first class, **they are still responsible for officially dropping the class** during schedule adjustment. Otherwise, they may remain scheduled for the class, which may result in fees being charged to them and a grade of "F" on their academic record.



If a failing grade must be entered due to a student's non-attendance in a class, faculty must use the "FA" grade and enter a last date of attendance as noted in the detailed instructions provided when final grading is enabled. This action is required for Shippensburg University to remain eligible for Title IV funds.

## SCHEDULING INFORMATION

Fall 2024 scheduling information will be available around the beginning of March via the myShip portal. This information is real time. It will immediately reflect changes

that are continually being submitted (e.g. faculty changes, room changes, time/day changes, etc.)

## CHANGING/DECLARING A MAJOR

All approved requests for [changes in declarations of majors and minors](#) will be processed throughout the semester. **No approved requests will be held.**

Students who wish to declare a **major in a high demand program** *must submit their request during the first three weeks of the semester* in order to be considered. The following programs are currently designated as high demand majors: Biology, Psychology and Communication, Journalism and Media.

## EARLY WARNING GRADES

Early warning grades are due no later than **4 PM, on March 8th**. Advisors may review these grades through the myShip portal to aid in their determination of measures that should be taken.

## FINAL GRADES

Final grades are due no later than **3 PM, on May 16th**. All grades should be submitted by this deadline. This will ensure students receive the appropriate correspondence regarding their academic standing (good standing, probationary status, or academic dismissal), financial aid eligibility is evaluated properly for applicable students, and review of our student athletes is complete and accurate.

If a failing grade must be entered due to a student's non-attendance in a class, faculty must use the "FA" grade and enter a last date of attendance in the appropriate field, as noted in the detailed instructions provided when final grading is enabled. This action is required for Shippensburg University to remain eligible for Title IV funds.

## TEMPORARY GRADES

The grade of "I" (incomplete) is given if a student is unable to complete the requirements of a course due to serious illness, death in the family, or other personal emergency. If the work is not completed by the last day of classes before final exam week of the next full semester, the student will receive a grade of "F" for that course.

With prior approval of the appropriate dean, the grade of Q (deferred grade) may be awarded for courses such as research, thesis, and internship, which are designed to extend over more than one grade period. Students who receive a Q grade in a course should work closely with the instructor to plan a schedule in order to complete the work within a specified time period (maximum of three years) or the grade will convert to an F.

**At the end of each semester, a list of outstanding “I” or “Q” grades is sent to the faculty to correct.** If an expiring grade is not changed to a regular grade by the deadline listed on the accompanying memo, the grade will be changed to a grade of F.

## CLASS WITHDRAWAL POLICY

A student may withdraw from classes through the **tenth** week of the semester for POT 1 classes. After schedule adjustment, students may withdraw from classes with "W" grades. Students may withdraw from all but their final class online unless they are a first semester freshman or have holds preventing registration. Undergraduate students unable to withdraw online must personally visit their academic dean's office. Graduate students must fill out the electronic form located at [http://www.ship.edu/Registrar/Withdrawal\\_Request\\_Form/](http://www.ship.edu/Registrar/Withdrawal_Request_Form/).

The deadline to withdraw from a class or the university and receive a "W" grade for full term (POT 1) for spring is **April 1st**. Visit <https://www.ship.edu/academics/academics-resources/registrar/semester-information/spring/> for a complete listing of withdrawal deadlines for all parts of term.

## DEGREE AUDIT EXCEPTION FORM

A Degree Audit Exception Form has been placed on myShip. Advisors, department offices, and deans' offices may access this form by doing the following:

1. Log on to **myShip**.
2. Click on **Faculty** tab.
3. Click on **Resources**.
4. Click on **Exception to Graduation Requirements - Degree Audit Exception Form** in the **Advising Toolkit** section.
5. Sign on to [anchor.ship.edu](http://anchor.ship.edu).

The process for this form will be:

1. The request is initiated by the Advisor/Dept Chair/or Dean's office.
2. The form is then reviewed and approved/denied by the Advisor, then the Department Chair, and then Dean/Associate Dean.
3. The Dean's office notifies the student of the outcome.
4. The Dean's office will forward the original to the Registrar's office, and copies will be forwarded to the Department Chair/Advisor.
5. The Registrar's office will process the request in Degree Works degree audit system.

## FERPA

### *(FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS & PRIVACY ACT)*

Faculty have the educational right to access and view students' academic information. This access comes with responsibilities to protect this information.

Directory information may be released, as long as the student has not indicated they do not want this information released. For those students who have requested their directory information not be released, you will receive a warning message that information about the student is confidential when attempting to access information on Banner forms. You will see a message "Confidential information for (Student Name)" when accessing information via myShip portal.

Directory information includes name, home and local addresses and phone numbers, enrollment status, e-mail address, major, degree and honors. Any information other than directory information may not be released to anyone.

Grades are private information, and only the student is able to view this information. It is Shippensburg's policy that we do not discuss a student's record with anyone over the phone, including parents. If a parent wants information concerning a student, please refer the parent to the office of the Registrar.

Social security numbers and student IDs are personally identifiable information. You may not use these numbers or a portion of these numbers to post grades in public view. Graded papers should be given to students in class or left with staff to keep in the building office for pick up. Do not leave papers outside your office for students to go through.

Advisors have access to students' transcripts and transfer evaluations. These are to be kept private as well. Whether the files are in your administrative office or your own private office, please keep these files from view when you are not working with the student.

We would also like to remind faculty and offices e-mailing more than one student at a time to make sure addresses are placed in the "Blind Copy" area so students are unable to view others' addresses. Many students have elected not to have their e-mail address shared. Therefore, the best practice is to always put e-mail addresses in the "Blind Copy" area.

Be sure to look for the FERPA presentation available through the myShip portal. Once logged on, click on the **Tools** link from the **Employee** tab. The link to the presentation is part of the FERPA statement at the top of the page.

## INSTRUCTIONAL DOCUMENTATION



The Registrar's Office has a number of instructional resources available to provide important information and step-by-step instructions on how to perform specific tasks. This information has been posted on the portal and is available to students, faculty, and staff. Faculty and staff may refer students to this documentation or use them to provide guidance to students who require help performing these specific tasks.

The documentation is located on the portal:

### Faculty/Staff

- Log on to myShip
- Click on Employee
- Select Tools
- Scroll to the Registrar How-To section

### Students

- Log on to myShip
- Click on Student
- Select My Academics
- Scroll to the Registrar How-To section

Documentation is available for the following items:

- Degree Audit
- Graduation
- Grade Changes
- Registration

In addition to the student documentation, there are also a number of documents related to the use of administrative pages under the Admin Pages Help Documents section for employees.