



registration guide

summer and fall 2023

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Dates and Deadlines

Summer session 2023

*Instruction begins May 15, June 5, and July 3, and ends no later than July 27. **Final exams will be held during the last class meeting.***

March 20.....	Registration opens for continuing students
March 27.....	Open registration begins
July 14.....	Deadline to petition for summer graduation

For classes that begin the week of May 15

April 24.....	Tuition due
May 14.....	Last day to register
May 21.....	Last day to drop with no record and 100% refund

For classes that begin the week of June 5

May 15.....	Tuition due
June 4.....	Last day to register
June 11.....	Last day to drop with no record and 100% refund

For classes that begin the week of July 3

June 12.....	Tuition due
July 2.....	Last day to register
July 9.....	Last day to drop with no record and 100% refund

Campus holidays and closures

May 29.....	Memorial Day (<i>college closed</i>)
July 4.....	Independence Day observed (<i>college closed</i>)
June 9–July 28.....	College offices closed on Fridays

The deadline to withdraw from summer courses is the last business day that Parkland College is open, prior to the last week of class. Parkland College is closed on Fridays, June 9–July 28, therefore, please note that some withdrawal deadlines may be on a Thursday.

Important financial deadlines

May 10.....	First day bookstore vouchers are issued
June 15.....	Last day to use bookstore vouchers
June 22.....	First financial aid refunds are mailed/deposited
July 20.....	Mid-term 2 nd refunds are mailed/deposited

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2. Obtain a signature from your instructor(s) for the classes in which you'd like to withdraw.
3. Obtain a signature from Financial Aid and Veterans Services.
4. Return the fully completed form to the Admissions Office (U214) or email it to registration@parkland.edu.

A signature from Financial Aid is required on all withdraw requests to make sure that all students understand that there may be financial consequences for withdrawing from the class. We do not want any students to be missed. If a student is receiving financial aid, changing their class schedule may affect it. Please check with the Office of Financial Aid and Veteran Services, U286, prior to making schedule changes or withdrawing from classes.

Financial Aid and Veteran Services

Office: U286

Phone: 217/351-2222

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Additional Course Information

Reading Assessment

Students enrolling at Parkland must demonstrate college-level reading proficiency. Students may demonstrate reading proficiency by any of the following measures:

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- ACT or SAT scores
3. High-school cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher on an unweighted scale
4. Completion (grade of C or higher) of an appropriate transitional high-school course in English
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7. Completion (grade of C or higher) of two non-mathematics IAI-approved GECC courses

(Contact the director of reading for questions about interpretation.)

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Mathematics Placement

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Computer Technology Center

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November 3.....	Deadline to petition for fall graduation
December 1.....	Last day to withdraw with a W (except for first 8-week classes; deadline for those classes is October 6)
December 11-15.....	Final exams

For classes that begin the week of August 21

July 31.....	Tuition deadline
August 20.....	Last day to register
August 27.....	Last day to drop with no record and 100% refund

For classes that begin the week of September 11

August 21.....	Tuition deadline
September 10.....	Last day to register
September 17.....	Last day to drop with no record and 100% refund

For classes that begin the week of October 16

September 25.....	Tuition deadline
October 15.....	Last day to register
October 22.....	Last day to drop with no record and 100% refund

Campus holidays and closures

September 4.....	Labor Day (<i>college closed</i>)
November 22-26.....	Thanksgiving recess (<i>begins at 5pm November 22; college closed</i>)
December 22–January 1.....	Winter break (<i>college closed</i>)

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Final Examination Schedule

December 11-15, 2023

DAY CLASSES

If your first class meeting during the week is:	The final exam will be held:
Monday at 7 am	8–10 am, Tuesday, December 12
Monday at 8 am	8–10 am, Monday, December 11
Monday at 9 am	8–10 am, Wednesday, December 13
Monday at 10 am	8–10 am, Thursday, December 14
Monday at 11 am	11 am–1 pm, Monday, December 11
Monday at 12 noon	11 am–1 pm, Wednesday, December 13
Monday at 1 pm	11 am–1 pm, Tuesday, December 12
Monday at 2 pm	2–4 pm, Tuesday, December 12
Monday at 3 pm or 4 pm	2–4 pm, Monday, December 11
Tuesday at 7 am	8–10 am, Monday, December 11
Tuesday at 8 am	8–10 am, Tuesday, December 12
Tuesday at 9 am or 10 am	8–10 am, Friday, December 15
Tuesday at 11 am	11 am–1 pm, Thursday, December 14
Tuesday at 12 noon	11 am–1 pm, Friday, December 15
Tuesday at 1 pm	2–4 pm, Wednesday, December 13
Tuesday at 2 pm	2–4 pm, Thursday, December 14
Tuesday at 3 pm	2–4 pm, Wednesday, December 13
Tuesday at 4 pm	2–4 pm, Thursday, December 14
Any day class after Tuesday	2–4 pm, Friday, December 15

EVENING CLASSES

All evening finals (5 pm or later) will be at the regular class time.

If your evening class is held on (first meeting of the week):	The final exam will be held:
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