

ST. JUDE CHILDREN'S RESEARCH HOSPITAL GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences

Fall Semester	Begin	End
Fall Student Registration	July 15, 2025	July 31, 2025
Orientation	August 4, 2025	August 8, 2025
Convocation Ceremony	August 8, 2025	
Fall Semester	August 11, 2025	December 15, 2025
Holiday: Labor Day	September 1, 2025	
Classes Resume	September 2, 2025	
Intent to Graduate Form Due	September 15, 2025	
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	November 7, 2025	
Holiday: Thanksgiving Break	November 24, 2025	November 28, 2025
Classes Resume	December 1, 2025	
Spring Student Registration	December 1, 2025	December 15, 2025
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	December 5, 2025	
Confirmation – Candidate List Due to Registrar	December 10, 2025	
Conferral Date - Fall 2025	December 15, 2025	
Winter Break	December 16, 2025	December 31, 2025
Grades Due in Systems	December 18, 2025	
Spring Semester		
Holiday: New Year's Day	January 1, 2026	
Spring Semester	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 19, 2026	
Intent to Graduate Form Due	February 9, 2026	
Spring Break	March 9, 2026	March 13, 2026
Graduate Student Appreciation Week	April 6, 2026	April 10, 2026
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	May 1, 2026	
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	May 22, 2026	
Holiday: Memorial Day	May 25, 2026	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	May 27, 2026	
Grades Due in Systems	June 2, 2026	
Conferral Date - Spring 2026	June 5, 2026	
Commencement Ceremony	June 5, 2026	
Summer Break	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
Summer Semester		
Summer Semester	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
Summer Course Dates	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
Holiday: Juneteenth	June 19, 2026	

Holiday: Independence Day

July 4, 2026

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Note: For detailed program dates, please refer to the individual program calendars.

MS – Applied Biomedical Data Sciences

Fall Semester	Begin	End
Fall Student Registration	July 15, 2025	July 31, 2025
Orientation	August 4, 2025	August 8, 2025
Convocation Ceremony	August 8, 2025	
Fall Semester	August 11, 2025	December 15, 2025
Holiday: Labor Day	September 1, 2025	
ADS Course: Ethics and Professionalism in Biomedical Data Sciences	August 11, 2025	August 15, 2025
ADS Course: Essential Computing Skills for Biomedical Data Sciences	August 18, 2025	September 5, 2025
Classes Resume	September 2, 2025	
ADS Course: Essential Biology for Biomedical Data Sciences	September 8, 2025	September 26, 2025
Intent to Graduate Form Due	September 15, 2025	
Event: KID25 Biohackathon	September 29, 2025	October 1, 2025
ADS Course: Data Bases and Data Wrangling	October 6, 2025	October 24, 2025
Event: KID25 Symposium	October 27, 2025	October 28, 2025
ADS Course: Essential Mathematics for Biomedical Data Sciences	October 29, 2025	November 14, 2025
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	November 7, 2025	
ADS Course: Biostatistics for Biomedical Data Sciences I	November 17, 2025	December 12, 2025
Holiday: Thanksgiving Break	November 24, 2025	November 28, 2025
Classes Resume	December 1, 2025	
Spring Student Registration	December 1, 2025	December 15, 2025
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	December 5, 2025	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	December 10, 2025	
Conferral Date - Fall 2025	December 15, 2025	
Winter Break	December 16, 2025	December 31, 2025
Grades Due in Systems	December 18, 2025	
Spring Semester		
Holiday: New Year's Day	January 1, 2026	
Spring Semester	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
ADS Course: Biostatistics for Biomedical Data Sciences II	January 5, 2026	January 23, 2026
Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 19, 2026	
ADS Course: Scientific Rigor in Biomedical Data Sciences	January 26, 2026	February 6, 2026
Mentor and Elective Selection Week	February 9, 2026	February 13, 2026
Intent to Graduate Form Due	February 9, 2026	
ADS Course: Omics Data Analysis I	February 16, 2026	March 6, 2026
Spring Break	March 9, 2026	March 13, 2026
ADS Course: Machine Learning	March 16, 2026	April 3, 2026
ADS Course: Effective Communication for Biomedical Data Scientists	April 6, 2026	April 10, 2026
ADS Course: Developing Scientific Software Applications	April 13, 2026	May 1, 2026
Graduate Student Appreciation Week	April 6, 2026	April 10, 2026
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	May 1, 2026	
ADS Course: Elective Courses	May 4, 2026	May 22, 2026
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	May 22, 2026	

Holiday: Memorial Day	May 25, 2026	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	May 27, 2026	
Grades Due in Systems	June 2, 2026	
Conferral Date - Spring 2026	June 5, 2026	
Commencement Ceremony	June 5, 2026	
Summer Break	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026

Summer Semester

Summer Semester	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
ADS Course: Practicum in Applied Biomedical Data Science	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
Holiday: Juneteenth	June 19, 2026	
Holiday: Independence Day	July 4, 2026	

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MS/PhD – Biomedical Sciences

Fall Semester	Begin	End
Fall Student Registration	July 15, 2025	July 31, 2025
Orientation	August 4, 2025	August 8, 2025
Convocation Ceremony	August 8, 2025	
Fall Semester	August 11, 2025	December 15, 2025
BMS Course: Dissertation Research YR2	August 11, 2025	December 15, 2025
BMS Course: Dissertation Research	August 11, 2025	December 15, 2025
BMS Course: Genes to Proteins	August 11, 2025	September 5, 2025
BMS Course: Topics in Clinical & Translational Research I	August 14, 2025	November 20, 2025
BMS Course: Core Facilities I	August 19, 2025	December 2, 2025
Holiday: Labor Day	September 1, 2025	
BMS Course: Scientific Writing & Communications I	September 2, 2025	December 4, 2025
BMS Course: Laboratory Rotation I	September 8, 2025	October 17, 2025
BMS Course: Biostatistics	October 16, 2025	December 11, 2025
BMS Course: Cell Biology	October 20, 2025	November 12, 2025
Classes Resume	September 2, 2025	
Intent to Graduate Form Due	September 15, 2025	
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	November 7, 2025	
BMS Course: Developmental Biology	November 14, 2025	December 15, 2025
Holiday: Thanksgiving Break	November 24, 2025	November 28, 2025
Classes Resume	December 1, 2025	
Spring Student Registration	December 1, 2025	December 15, 2025
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	December 5, 2025	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	December 10, 2025	
Conferral Date - Fall 2025	December 15, 2025	
Winter Break	December 16, 2025	December 31, 2025
Grades Due in Systems	December 18, 2025	
Spring Semester		
Holiday: New Year's Day	January 1, 2026	
Spring Semester	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
BMS Course: Dissertation Research YR2	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
BMS Course: Dissertation Research	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
BMS Course: Cancer Biology	January 5, 2026	January 26, 2026
BMS Course: Core Facilities II	January 6, 2026	April 14, 2026
BMS Course: Scientific Writing & Communications II	January 6, 2026	April 2, 2026
BMS Course: Topics in Clinical & Translational Research II	January 8, 2026	May 28, 2026
Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 19, 2026	
BMS Course: Laboratory Rotation II	January 27, 2026	March 6, 2026
Intent to Graduate Form Due	February 9, 2026	
Spring Break	March 9, 2026	March 13, 2026
BMS Course: Immunology & Infectious Diseases	March 16, 2026	April 8, 2026
BMS Course: Computational Biology	March 17, 2026	April 30, 2026

Graduate Student Appreciation Week	April 6, 2026	April 10, 2026
BMS Course: Pharmacology & Chemical Biology	April 10, 2026	April 24, 2026
BMS Course: Laboratory Rotation III	April 27, 2026	June 5, 2026
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	May 1, 2026	
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	May 22, 2026	
Holiday: Memorial Day	May 25, 2026	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	May 27, 2026	
Grades Due in Systems	June 2, 2026	
Conferral Date - Spring 2026	June 5, 2026	
Commencement Ceremony	June 5, 2026	
Summer Break	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026

Summer Semester

Summer Semester	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
BMS Course: Dissertation Research YR1&2	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
BMS Course: Dissertation Research	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
Holiday: Juneteenth	June 19, 2026	
Holiday: Independence Day	July 4, 2026	

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MS – Clinical Investigations

Fall Semester	Begin	End
Fall Student Registration	July 15, 2025	July 31, 2025
Orientation	August 4, 2025	August 8, 2025
Convocation Ceremony	August 8, 2025	
Fall Semester	August 11, 2025	December 15, 2025
2nd Year CLI Electives	August 19, 2025	December 4, 2025
CLI Course: Introduction to Patient Oriented Research	August 22, 2025	December 4, 2025
CLI Course: Thesis Research Project	August 19, 2025	December 4, 2025
CLI Course: Biostatistics for the Health Sciences I	October 9, 2025	December 4, 2025
CLI Course: Introduction to Epidemiology	August 19, 2025	October 2, 2025
CLI Course: Ethical and Legal Issues in Clinical Research	September 25, 2025	December 4, 2025
CLI Course: Critical Assessment of Contemporary Clinical Trials	August 21, 2025	October 9, 2025
Holiday: Labor Day	September 1, 2025	
Classes Resume	September 2, 2025	
Intent to Graduate Form Due	September 15, 2025	
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	November 7, 2025	
Holiday: Thanksgiving Break	November 24, 2025	November 28, 2025
Classes Resume	December 1, 2025	
Spring Student Registration	December 1, 2025	December 15, 2025
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	December 5, 2025	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	December 10, 2025	
Conferral Date - Fall 2025	December 15, 2025	
Winter Break	December 16, 2025	December 31, 2025
Grades Due in Systems	December 18, 2025	
Spring Semester		
Holiday: New Year's Day	January 1, 2026	
Spring Semester	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 19, 2026	
CLI Course: Biostatistics for the Health Sciences II	January 20, 2026	May 15, 2026
CLI Course: Advanced Clinical and Translational Research Methods	January 20, 2026	May 15, 2026
CLI Course: Scientific Writing and Communications	January 20, 2026	May 15, 2026
CLI Course: Thesis Research Project	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
Intent to Graduate Form Due	February 9, 2026	
Spring Break	March 9, 2026	March 13, 2026
Graduate Student Appreciation Week	April 6, 2026	April 10, 2026
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	May 1, 2026	
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	May 22, 2026	
Holiday: Memorial Day	May 25, 2026	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	May 27, 2026	
Grades Due in Systems	June 2, 2026	
Conferral Date - Spring 2026	June 5, 2026	
Commencement Ceremony	June 5, 2026	

Summer Break	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
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Summer Semester

Summer Semester	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
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Summer Course Dates	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
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Holiday: Juneteenth	June 19, 2026	
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Holiday: Independence Day	July 4, 2026	
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MS – Global Child Health

Fall Semester	Begin	End
GCH Course: Intersession 1	TBA	TBA
GCH Course: Intersession 3	TBA	TBA
Fall Student Registration	July 15, 2025	July 31, 2025
Orientation	August 4, 2025	August 8, 2025
Convocation Ceremony	August 8, 2025	
Fall Semester	August 11, 2025	December 15, 2025
GCH Course: Principles of Biostatistics	August 18, 2024	December 7, 2024
GCH Course: Introduction to Epidemiology	August 18, 2024	December 7, 2024
GCH Course: Foundations of Global Health	August 18, 2024	December 7, 2024
GCH Course: Political Economy of Global Child Health (second-year)	August 18, 2024	December 7, 2024
GCH Course: Thesis Seminar (second-year)	August 18, 2024	December 7, 2024
GCH Course: Organizational Leadership (second-year)	August 18, 2024	December 7, 2024
Holiday: Labor Day	September 1, 2025	
Classes Resume	September 2, 2025	
Intent to Graduate Form Due	September 15, 2025	
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	November 7, 2025	
Holiday: Thanksgiving Break	November 24, 2025	November 28, 2025
Classes Resume	December 1, 2025	
Spring Student Registration	December 1, 2025	December 15, 2025
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	December 5, 2025	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	December 10, 2025	
Conferral Date - Fall 2025	December 15, 2025	
Winter Break	December 16, 2025	December 31, 2025
Grades Due in Systems	December 18, 2025	
Spring Semester		
Holiday: New Year's Day	January 1, 2026	
Spring Semester	January 2, 2026	June 5, 2026
GCH Course: Intersession 2	TBA	TBA
GCH Course: Intersession 4	TBA	TBA
Holiday: Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 19, 2026	
GCH Course: Research Methods in Global Health	January 26, 2026	May 17, 2026
GCH Course: Health Economics	January 26, 2026	May 17, 2026
GCH Course: Introduction to Health Systems and Policy	January 26, 2026	May 17, 2026
GCH Course: Strategic Management of Child Health Programs (second-year)	January 26, 2026	May 17, 2026
GCH Course: Child Health and Health Systems Innovation (second-year)	January 26, 2026	May 17, 2026
GCH Course: Thesis Practicum (second-year)	January 26, 2026	May 17, 2026
Intent to Graduate Form Due	February 9, 2026	
Spring Break	March 9, 2026	March 13, 2026
Graduate Student Appreciation Week	April 6, 2026	April 10, 2026
Thesis/ Dissertation Initial Submission	May 1, 2026	
Thesis/ Dissertation Final Revision	May 22, 2026	

Holiday: Memorial Day	May 25, 2026	
Confirmation - Candidate List Due to Registrar	May 27, 2026	
Grades Due in Systems	June 2, 2026	
Conferral Date - Spring 2026	June 5, 2026	
Commencement Ceremony	June 5, 2026	
Summer Break	June 8, 2026	July 31, 2026
