

2020-2021 MFA GRADUATE STUDIES CALENDAR

2020 SUMMER RESIDENCY (2020M1—MFA Term 1) and FALL SEMESTER (2020M2—MFA Term 2)

- July** 3-12 Summer Residency: Seminars, Workshops, and Readings (total of 4 credit hours – see courses below*)
3 Add/Drop date for residency courses
7 Deadline for Withdrawal from residency courses with responsibility for 50% of residency tuition and with entitlement to 10% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
13 Begin ENGL 570: Semester Project in Fiction, Poetry, or Creative Nonfiction; ENGL 575: Secondary Genre; ENGL 625: Critical Essay; ENGL 650: Thesis Manuscript Preparation (8 credit hours)
13-17 Add/Drop dates for ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650
24 Grades from residency due in Registrar's office
24 Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 deadline with responsibility for 20% of semester tuition and with entitlement to 20% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
- Aug.** 7 Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 deadline with responsibility for 40% of semester tuition and with entitlement to 40% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
21 Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 deadline with responsibility for 60% of semester tuition and with entitlement to 60% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
- Sept.** 21 Advisor's Midterm Advisee Evaluation due to Director
25 Final Deadline for Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 – responsible for 100% of semester tuition, entitled to 100% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
- Oct 30 – Nov.13** Pre-registration for W2021 Residency and Sp2021 Semester courses [Director completes pre-reg and students confirm at residency check-in]
- Nov. 9** End of ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650: Semester Portfolio due for ENGL 570, 575, 625; First Deposit of Thesis due for ENGL 650
23 ENGL 570, 575, 625 grades due in Registrar's office; ENGL 570, 575, 625 Advisor's Final Advisee Evaluation Due to Director (ENGL 650 grades will remain on record as "I" (Incomplete) until the final grades are submitted to the Registrar once Final Residency is completed and Final Deposit of Thesis is received; degree conferred May 2020.)

2021 WINTER RESIDENCY (2021M3—MFA Term 3) and SPRING SEMESTER (2021M4—MFA Term 4)

January 2021

Because the lodging contract for Blackwater Residency is external to the College, charges for late withdrawals/cancellations will follow this schedule:

10% will be charged for lodging cancelled by Dec 1

75% will be charged for lodging cancelled by Dec 28

20% will be charged for lodging cancelled by Dec 11

Full payment charged for lodging cancelled after Dec 28

40% will be charged for lodging cancelled by Dec 18

Residency Fee not charged to any student who withdraws by Dec 25

- Jan 2- 10** Blackwater Winter Residency: Seminars, Workshops, and Readings (total of 4 credit hours – see courses below*)
Jan 2 - 3 Add/Drop dates for residency courses
Jan 5 Deadline for Withdrawal from residency courses w/responsibility for 50% of residency tuition & residency fee and w/entitlement to 10% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
Jan 11 Begin ENGL 570: Semester Project in Fiction, Poetry, or Creative Nonfiction; ENGL 575: Secondary Genre; ENGL 625: Critical Essay; ENGL 650: Thesis Manuscript Preparation (8 credit hours)
Jan 11-15 Add/Drop dates for ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650
Jan 22 Grades from residency due in Registrar's office
Jan 22 Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 deadline with responsibility for 20% of semester tuition and with entitlement to 20% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
- Feb 5** Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 deadline with responsibility for 40% of semester tuition and with entitlement to 40% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
- 19 Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 deadline with responsibility for 60% of semester tuition and with entitlement to 60% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)
- Mar 22** Advisor's Midterm Advisee Evaluation due to Director
26 Final Deadline for Withdrawal from ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650 – responsible for 100% of semester tuition, entitled to 100% of residency-semester scholarship (if applicable)

April 5-19 Pre-registration for Su2021 Residency and F2021 Semester courses [Director completes pre-reg and students confirm at residency check-in]

- May 8** Commencement [Fall 2020 thesis students graduating at the Winter 2021 Residency may participate in commencement; Spring 2021 thesis students, pending Dean's approval, may participate in commencement but degree will be finalized after completion of Summer 2020 Residency and receipt of Final Deposit of Thesis]
10 End of ENGL 570, 575, 625, 650: Semester Portfolio due for ENGL 570, 575, 625; First Deposit of Thesis due for ENGL 650
24 ENGL 570, 575, 625 grades due in Registrar's office; ENGL 570, 575, 625 Advisor's Final Advisee Evaluation Due to Director (ENGL 650 grades will remain on record as "I" (Incomplete) until the final grades are submitted to the Registrar once Fifth Residency is completed and Final Deposit of Thesis is received; degree conferred August 2020.)

*Residency courses include ENGL 520, 525, 530, 535, 540, 545 depending on the student's genre, and ENGL 655 (1 credit hour) for Final Residency students.