



Florida Department of Health in Pasco County Dietetic Internship Academic Calendar

Included in the Academic Calendar is the schedule for application, admission, and onboarding prior to the internship, referred to as the "upcoming class year calendar" and the schedule for start date, end date, didactic weeks, and other dates that may require travel during the internship, referred to as the "current class year calendar." Specific dates are provided as they become available and are subject to change.

Interns receive a detailed schedule for their class year containing supervised practice rotation dates, assignment due dates, and didactic Friday schedule at the start of the internship.

Full details of the University of North Florida (UNF) Academic Calendar can be found here:

https://events.unf.edu/academic_calendar

Full details of the State Employee Tuition Waiver process at UNF can be found here:

<https://www.unf.edu/records/state-employee.html>

Current Class Year Calendar: 2025-2026

Internship Welcome Meeting (virtually)	May May 27, 2025
Regional Orientation (Regional location)	May or June Miami-Dade – May 9, 2025 Duval – June 20, 2025 Escambia – TBD Pasco – June 20, 2025
UNF Fall Application Deadline	August 1, 2025
UNF Fall Registration Date for interns using the State Employee Tuition Waiver	August 15, 2025
Internship Start Date (Internship orientation at regional sites)	Third Monday in August August 18, 2025
UNF – Start of Fall Semester	August 18, 2025
Clinical Nutrition Didactic Week (Pasco County) Requires Sunday travel 8/24/2025	Fourth week in August August 25-29, 2025

Internship Break	End of the calendar year December 22, 2025 – January 2, 2026
UNF Spring Registration Date for interns using the State Employee Tuition Waiver	TBD
UNF – Start of Spring Semester	January 7, 2026
Public Health Nutrition Didactic Week (Virtual)	First week in January after the internship break January 5-9, 2026
Public Policy Week (Tallahassee, Florida) Requires Sunday travel 2/8/2026	February/March in even years March/April in odd years February 9-10, 2026 (Tallahassee) February 11-12, 2026 (Region specific)
Foodservice Management Didactic Week and Literature Review Presentations (Pasco County and Virtual) Requires Sunday travel 3/8/2026	Second week in March March 9-11, 2026 (Pasco) March 12-13, 2026 (Virtual) Literature Review Presentations on Tuesday, March 10, 2026
UNF Summer Registration Date for interns using the State Employee Tuition Waiver	TBD
Start of University of North Florida Summer Semester	TBD
Internship End Date (Varies based on progress in the internship)	First Friday in June June 5, 2026
Internship Graduation	June 21, 2026
End of University of North Florida Summer (for interns in the graduate program)	TBD

Upcoming Class Year Calendar: 2026-2027 – This will be the last year we are accepting candidates without a graduate degree.

Priority selection application window – Fall only (WIC sponsored candidates only. These candidates submit their application by mail.)	First Monday in August- First Monday in October August 4, 2025 – October 6, 2025
DICAS application window - Fall (Unsponsored candidates. These candidates submit their application through DICAS.)	First Monday in August- First Monday in October August 5, 2025 – October 6, 2025
Interviews for Fall applicants (priority selection and DICAS)	October 13-31, 2025
Acceptance notifications sent to Fall applicants selected into the internship.	November 1, 2025
Applicant decision due date for Fall applicants.	November 15, 2025
UNF Application deadlines for interns who want to start the graduate program in Spring – This will be the last year we are accepting candidates without a graduate degree.	December 1, 2025
DICAS application window - Spring (Unsponsored candidates only. We currently don't offer priority selection in the Spring.)	First Monday in December- First Monday in February December 1, 2025 – February 2, 2026
Interviews for Fall applicants (priority selection and DICAS)	February 9-27, 2026
Acceptance notifications sent to Spring applicants selected into the internship.	March 1, 2026
Applicant decision due date for Spring applicants.	March 15, 2026
UNF Application deadlines for interns who want to start the graduate program in Summer - This will be the last year we are accepting candidates without a graduate degree.	April 15, 2026