

Wake Forest University School of Medicine

Academic Calendar

Academic Year 2026 – 2027

FOUNDATIONS 1 - Class of 2030: Charlotte

Y1 Orientation	Thursday, July 9 through Friday, July 10, 2026
White Coat Ceremony	Saturday, July 25, 2026
F1 LAUNCH Course	Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 20, 2026
F1 Clinical Skills Course 1A.....	Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 20, 2026
F1 Human Structure Function Course 1A.....	Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 20, 2026
F1 Medicine and Patients in Society Course 1A.....	Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 20, 2026
F1 Ultrasound Course 1A.....	Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 20, 2026
F1 Interpreting and Applying Clinical Evidence	Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 20, 2026
Metabolism and Defense Course	Monday, August 3 through Friday, September 25, 2026
Labor Day	Monday, September 7, 2026
Microbiology and Infectious Disease Course.....	Monday, September 28 through Friday, October 23, 2026
Medical Student Research Day	Thursday, October 15, 2026
RIA Week	Monday October 26 through Friday October 30, 2026
Endocrine and Reproduction I Course	Monday, November 2 through Friday, November 20, 2026
Term 2 Begins	Monday, November 30, 2026
F1 Human Structure Function Course 1B.....	Monday, November 30 through May 4, 2027
F1 Clinical Skills Course 1B.....	Monday, November 30 through May 4, 2027
F1 Medicine and Patients in Society Course 1B.....	Monday, November 30 through May 4, 2027
F1 Ultrasound Course 1B.....	Monday, November 30 through May 4, 2027
Digestive Health and Nutrition Course.....	Monday, November 30, 2026, through Friday, January 15, 2027
Thanksgiving Recess	Wednesday, November 25 through Sunday, November 29, 2026
Classes Resume	Monday, November 30, 2026
Comprehensive Basic Science Exam	Friday, December 18, 2026
Winter Recess	Monday, December 21, 2026 through Sunday, January 3, 2027
Classes Resume	Monday, January 4, 2027
Martin Luther King Jr Day	Monday, January 18, 2027
Hematology Course	Tuesday, January 19 through Friday, February 12, 2027
RIA Week	Monday, February 15 through Friday, February 19, 2027
Neuroscience Course	Monday, February 22 through Friday, April 23, 2027
Spring Recess Begins	Monday, March 29, 2027
Classes Resume	Monday, April 5, 2027
RIA Week	Monday, April 26 through Friday, April 30, 2027
MD Alumni Weekend 2027 (BCGME)	Friday, April 30 through Sunday, May 2, 2027
Comprehensive Basic Science Exam	Monday, May 3, 2027
F1 Ends	Tuesday, May 4, 2027
Summer Recess (9 ½ weeks)	Wednesday, May 5 through Friday, July 9, 2027

Foundations 2 begins on Monday, July 12, 2027

FOUNDATIONS 2 – Class of 2029: Charlotte

Y2 Orientation**Monday, July 13, 2026**
Cardiovascular System Course Monday, July 13 through Friday, August 7, 2026
Clinical Skills 2A.....Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 6, 2026
Human Structure and Function 2A.....Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 6, 2026
Medicine and Patients in Society 2A.....Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 6, 2026
Integrated Ultrasound 2A.....Monday, July 13 through Friday, November 6, 2026
Pulmonary Course Monday, August 10 through Friday, September 04, 2026
Renal Course Tuesday, September 8 through Friday, October 02, 2026
Labor Day **Monday, September 07, 2026**
RIA Week **Monday, October 05 through Monday October 09, 2026**
Medical Student Research Day **Thursday October 15, 2026**
Rheumatology CourseMonday, October 12 through Friday November 06, 2026
Term 2 Begins **Monday, November 09, 2026**
Clinical Skills 2B.....Monday, November 9 through Friday, December 18, 2026
Human Structure and Function 2B..... Monday, November 9 through Friday, December 18, 2026
Medicine and Patients in Society 2B.....Monday, November 9 through Friday, December 18, 2026
Integrated Ultrasound 2B.....Monday, November 9 through Friday, December 18, 2026
Endocrinology/Reproduction II Course Monday, November 9 through Friday, December 11, 2026
Thanksgiving Recess.....**Wednesday, November 25 through Friday, November 27, 2026**
Classes ResumeMonday, November 30, 2026
RIA Week **Monday, December 14 through Friday December 18, 2026**
F2PC Course.....Monday, December 14 through Friday, February 12, 2027
Comprehensive Basic Science Exam **Tuesday, December 15, 2026**
Winter Recess**Monday, December 21, 2026 through Sunday, January 3, 2027**
Classes Resume Monday, January 04, 2027
Foundations to Patient Care Course Monday, January 4th through Friday, February 12, 2027
Martin Luther King Jr Day **Monday, January 18, 2027**
Transition to Patient Care..... Monday, February 15 through Friday March 05, 2027
Y2 Ends Friday, March 05, 2027

USMLE Step 1 must be completed by end of: Friday, February 12, 2027
(Recommended Step 1 Completion Date is: Wednesday, January 27, 2027)

Immersion Year 3: Class of 2028

Y3 Begins	Monday, March 9 th , 2026
Holiday (Spring Break)	Friday, April 3 rd – Sunday, April 5 th , 2026
Holiday (Memorial Day)	Monday, May 25 th , 2026
Holiday (July 4 th)	Saturday, July 4 th , 2026
Clerkship Activities End	Sunday, August 23 rd , 2026
LEAP Week 1	Monday, August 24 th – Sunday, August 28 th , 2026
Remediation Week*	Monday, August 31 st – Sunday, September 6 th , 2026
Holiday (Labor Day)	Monday, September 7 th , 2026
Clerkship Activities Resume	Tuesday, September 8 th , 2026
Thanksgiving Break**	Wednesday, November 25 th - Sunday, November 29 th , 2026
Clerkship Activities Resume	Monday, November 30 th , 2026
Holiday (Winter Break)	Monday, December 21 st , 2026 – Sunday, January 3 rd , 2027
Clerkship Activities Resume	Monday, January 4 th , 2027
Holiday (Martin Luther King, Jr.)	Monday, January 18 th , 2027
Clerkship Activities End	Sunday, March 7 th , 2027
LEAP Week 2	Monday, March 8 th – Sunday, March 12 th , 2027
Remediation Week*	Monday, March 15 th – Sunday, March 21 st , 2027
Y3 Vacation Week	Monday, March 22 nd – Sunday, March 28 th , 2027

Clerkship and LEAP week activities vary. Generally, 6 am to 6 pm are considered daytime hours, but duty hours are specifically designated by the clerkship.

Students must be present in person for LEAP week.

*Remediation Weeks – Students should plan to be present on your campus during this week. If you do not have remediation, make up, or similar events that you are required to do during this week, then this is a vacation week.

**Students are released at noon or after shelf exam completion

Individualization Phase Year 4: Class of 2027

Transition (LEAP) Week 1: ACLS/CPX/OSCE/Orientatio	Monday, March 9, 2026 - Sunday, March 15, 2026
Transition (LEAP) Week 2: Remediation Week	Monday, March 16, 2026 - Sunday, March 22,2026
Vacation Week**barring any required remediation &/or clinical make-up time	Monday, March 23, 2026 - Sunday, March 29, 2026
Y4 - Block 1 Begins	Monday, March 30, 2026
Y4 - Block 1 Ends	Sunday, April 26, 2026
Holiday (Spring Break)	Friday, April 3, 2026 - Sunday, April 5, 2026
Y4 - Block 2 Begins	Monday April 27, 2026
Y4 - Block 2 Ends	Sunday, May 24, 2026
Holiday (Memorial Day)	Monday, May 25, 2026
Y4 - Block 3 Begins	Tuesday, May 26, 2026
Y4 - Block 3 Ends	Sunday, June 21, 2026
Y4 - Block 4 Begins	Monday, June 22,2026
Holiday (July 4 th)	Saturday, July 4, 2026
Y4 - Block 4 Ends	Sunday, July 19, 2026
Y4 - Block 5 Begins	Monday, July 20, 2026
Y4 - Block 5 Ends	Sunday, August 16, 2026
Y4 - Block 6 Begins	Monday, August 17, 2026
Step 2 CK Deadline	Saturday, August 29, 2026
Holiday (Labor Day)	Monday, September 7, 2026
Y4 - Block 6 Ends	Sunday, September 13, 2026
Y4 - Block 7 Begins	Monday, September 14, 2026
Y4 - Block 7 Ends	Sunday, October 11, 2026
Y4 - Block 8 Begins	Monday, October 12, 2026
Y4 - Block 8 Ends	Sunday, November 8, 2026
Y4 - Block 9 Begins	Monday, November 9, 2026
Thanksgiving Break (Released at noon on Wednesday)	Wednesday, November 25, 2026 - Sunday, November 29, 2026
Y4 - Block 9 Ends	Sunday, December 6, 2026
Y4 - Block 10 Begins	Monday, December 7, 2026
Holiday (Winter Break)	Monday, December 21, 2026 - Sunday, January 3, 2027
Y4 - Block 10 Ends	Sunday, January 17, 2027
Holiday (Martin Luther King, Jr.)	Monday, January 18, 2027
Y4 - Block 11 Begins	Tuesday, January 19, 2027
Y4 - Block 11 Ends	Sunday, February 14, 2027
Y4 - Block 12 Begins	Monday, February 15, 2027
Y4 - Block 12 Ends	Sunday, March 14, 2027
Match Week	Monday, March 15, 2027 - Sunday, March 21, 2027

Transition to Residency (TTR) course	Monday, March 22, 2027 - Friday, April 9, 2027
Graduation Preparation (No duties assigned) **barring any required remediation &/or clinical make-up time	Saturday, April 10, 2027 - Friday, May 14, 2027
MD Program Hooding & Graduation Weekend	Saturday, May 15, 2027 - Sunday, May 16, 2027
Wake Forest University Graduation	Monday, May 17, 2027

Academic Calendar Overview Academic Year 2026-2027

Event	Start Date	End Date
Immersion Semester 2 LEAP Week	March 8, 2027	March 12, 2027
Foundations 2 Term 2	November 9, 2026	March 5, 2027
Individualization Year (Blocks 1-12)	March 30, 2026	March 14, 2027
Immersion Spring Break	April 3, 2026	April 5, 2026
Memorial Day Holiday	May 25, 2026	May 25, 2026
Independence Day Holiday	July 4, 2026	July 4, 2026
Year 1 Orientation	July 9, 2026	July 10, 2026
Year 2 Orientation	July 13, 2026	
Foundations 1 Term 1	July 13, 2026	November 22, 2026
Foundations 2 Term 1	July 13, 2026	November 8, 2026
White Coat Ceremony	August 1, 2026	
Immersion Semester 1 LEAP Week	August 24, 2026	August 28, 2026
Step 2CK Deadline	August 29, 2026	
Immersion Semester 1 Remediation Week	August 31, 2026	September 6, 2026
Labor Day Holiday	September 7, 2026	September 7, 2026
Immersion Semester 2	September 8, 2026	March 7, 2027
Foundations 2 RIA Week	October 5, 2026	October 9, 2026
Medical Student Research Day	October 15, 2026	
Foundations 1 RIA Week	October 26, 2026	October 30, 2026
Foundations 1 Term 2	November 30, 2026	May 4, 2026
Thanksgiving Recess*	November 25, 2026	November 29, 2026
Foundations 2 CBSE Exam 1	December 15, 2026	
Foundations 1 CBSE Exam 1	December 18, 2026	
Winter Recess*	December 21, 2026	January 3, 2027
MLK Jr Holiday	January 18, 2027	January 18, 2027
STEP 1 Recommended Completion	January 27, 2027	
STEP 1 Required Completion	February 12, 2027	
Foundations 1 RIA Week	February 15, 2027	February 19, 2027
Transition to Patient Care	February 15, 2027	March 5, 2027
Immersion Semester 1	March 9, 2027	August 23, 2026
Immersion Semester 2 Remediation Week	March 15, 2027	March 21, 2027
Match Week	March 15, 2027	March 21, 2027
Y3 Vacation Week	March 22, 2027	March 28, 2027
Transition to Residency	March 22, 2027	April 9, 2027
Foundations 1 Spring Recess	March 29, 2027	April 4, 2027

Class of 2027 Graduation Preparation	April 10, 2027	May 14, 2027
Foundations 1 RIA Week	April 26, 2027	April 30, 2027
Foundations 1 CBSE Exam 2	May 3, 2027	
Foundations 1 Summer Recess	May 5, 2027	July 11, 2027
MD Program Hooding and Graduation Weekend	May 15, 2027	May 16, 2027
Wake Forest University Graduation	May 17, 2027	