GRAND VALLEY CALENDAR 2023-2024

Fall Semester 2023
Convocation .................................................... August 23, 2023
Classes Begin .................................................... August 28, 2023
Labor Day Recess .............................................. September 4 – 5, 2023
Fall Break ......................................................... October 22 – 24, 2023
Thanksgiving Day Recess .................................... November 22 – 26, 2023
Classes End ....................................................... December 9, 2023
Commencement .................................................. December 9, 2023
Semester Ends .................................................... December 16, 2023

Winter Semester 2024
Classes Begin ..................................................... January 8, 2024
Martin Luther King Jr. Recess .................................... January 15, 2024
Spring Break ....................................................... March 3 – 10, 2024
Classes End ....................................................... April 20, 2024
Examinations ..................................................... April 22 – 27, 2024
Semester Ends .................................................... April 27, 2024
Commencement .................................................. December 9, 2023

Spring/Summer Session 2024
Classes Begin first 6 and 12 weeks .......................................... May 6, 2024
May 10, 2024
Memorial Day Recess ............................................. May 27, 2024
Classes End first 6 weeks ...................................... June 17, 2024
Examinations first 6 weeks ..................................... June 18 – 19, 2024
Classes Begin second 6 weeks ................................ June 24, 2024
Independence Day Recess ...................................... July 4, 2024
Classes End second 6 and 12 weeks ......................... August 2, 2024
Examinations second 6 and 12 weeks ...................... August 5 – 6, 2024
Session Ends ..................................................... August 6, 2024

Thanksgiving Day Recess ...................................... November 22 – 26, 2023
Examinations...................................................... December 11 – 16, 2023
Commencement ....................................................... December 9, 2023

Grady Chicken Day Recess ...................................... December 30, 2023
Winter Semester 2024
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Examinations second 6 and 12 weeks ...................... August 5 – 6, 2024
Session Ends ..................................................... August 6, 2024

Calendars are subject to change. Visit gvsu.edu/registrar for most current academic calendar.
FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION

Complete your FAFSA online at studentaid.gov/ffas by March 1. Financial aid is available to eligible students from a variety of sources. Financial aid can include institutional scholarships based on academic performance or other exceptional abilities, as well as federal and institutional grants, loans, and work-study. To be considered for these types of aid, students must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students interested in receiving financial aid at Grand Valley should file the FAFSA. The 2023-2024 FAFSA is available beginning October 1 at studentaid.gov/ffas. All applicants are strongly encouraged to file a FAFSA by March 1 for maximum consideration for grant and scholarship aid.

Grand Valley has an outstanding merit-based scholarship program. Transfer merit scholarships are awarded based on cumulative college grade point average. Students admitted by March 1 are considered for Grand Valley merit scholarships. Initial scholarship eligibility is reviewed and determined at the time of admission. Final scholarship decisions are made by July 31.

Study gvsu.edu/scholarships for specific details. GVSU also offers a variety of other scholarship opportunities based on interest, academic performance, special talents, or major. The majority of scholarship deadlines are January through March. Students may search and apply for these scholarships each year through gvsu.edu/my scholarships.

VETERAN SERVICES

The Military and Veterans Resource Center provides support services and resources to active duty service members, military veterans, guards/reservists, spouses, and family members. With a single point of contact serving military-connected students, our goal is to ensure we connect students and their families to relevant resources, address emerging issues, and provide the necessary information to help them succeed. The center provides services that include:

- Two dedicated veterans lounges (Allendale and downtown)
- Laker Vets, GVSU’s award-winning chapter of the Student Veterans of America
- Deployment support
- Veteran-specific scholarships and financial aid counseling
- Housing, employment, and mental health services

To contact the Military and Veterans Resource Center, call (616) 331-2369 or email wolfleg@gvsu.edu.

TELEHEALTH SERVICES

The GVSU housing network, wireless network, Blackboard, library, student email system, and computer labs all use the same user ID and password.

Grand Valley supports wireless computing, which is available in all of our academic buildings and housing locations. For connectivity instructions, go to gvsu.edu/iit and under Get Help, select Getting Connected.

Any computer questions should be directed to IT Services at (616) 331-2101 or it@gvsu.edu.

CHILDRENS’ ENRICHMENT CENTER

GVSU’s Children’s Enrichment Center (CEC) is an on-campus early care and education facility, supporting the growth and development of young children ages 2.5 to 12. The CEC has a long history of providing high-quality, affordable care to GVSU student parents as a way to support their academic experience and encourage their persistence. Contact the Children’s Enrichment Center today at (616) 331-KIDS or gvsu.edu/gvsu with questions about enrollment, the Student Parent Club, scholarship opportunities, and more.

STUDENT EMPLOYMENT

Student Employment Office aids students in obtaining employment that will finance their education and develop work skills for their future careers. We work with all university departments and the community to create part-time, full-time, or year-round opportunities for students. As part of the Office of Financial Aid and Scholarships, we administer the Federal Work-Study Program university-wide. Once you have registered for the New Transfer Student Advising and Registration session, please visit our website at gvsu.edu/studentjobs and look for the New Student Login tab under the Handshake section to create an account and begin searching for current jobs. Both on-campus and off-campus part-time jobs are posted daily. For more information, please contact Student Employment at (616) 331-3238 or visit us in person at 100 Arrend and Nancy Lubbers Student Services Center.

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

As a new Laker, using the eight dimensions of wellness to pursue their overall well-being by providing experiences to build community, develop life skills, discover passions, and have fun. Visit us at gvsu.edu/counsel or follow us on Facebook or Instagram for more information.

Recreation and Wellness

The Recreation and Wellness Department, through a variety of programs and services, empowers and supports students to promote overall well-being by providing experiences to lead healthy, active lifestyles, develop social work skills, and improve employment opportunities. Contact the Recreation and Wellness Department today at (616) 331-7040 or visit us in person at 100 Arrend and Nancy Lubbers Student Services Center.

Disability Support Resources

Disability Support Resources (DSR) provides support services and accommodations that enhance the learning environment for students with documented disabilities. DSR promotes a broad definition of diversity that appreciates disability as an integral part of the academic experience. DSR collaborates with students, faculty, and staff to promote equal access to the campus community that meets the needs of students with disabilities, fosters student independence, and empowers students based on abilities rather than their limitations. These practices help to identify innovative approaches and resources to support a diverse range of abilities and opportunities while maintaining compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) of 1990. DSR recognizes the university community to empower students, enhance equity, and provide a platform for innovation and inclusion.

Students should register with DSR as soon as possible after admission to the university to ensure the timely provision of accommodations. Advisers can also assist students with questions regarding course selection, scheduling, and exploration of their areas of career interest. If a student requires more comprehensive services in these areas, a referral can be made to the Student and Career Services office.

The University Counseling Center

The University Counseling Center offers a broad spectrum of services to support student mental health, including counseling, referral, and self-help resources, in addition to community outreach and consultation. Services are free to currently enrolled Grand Valley students. Visit gvsu.edu/counsel for more information.

GMAIL

Grand Valley has contracted with Google to provide GMail along with Google Apps for Education and Calendar. GMail is free and required for all students. The Gmail account will be the official method of communication with students while they are enrolled at GVSU. Please visit gvsu.edu/it for additional information.

Parking permit

Parking your vehicle on the Allendale Campus, Pew Grand Rapids Campus, and Health Campus requires a parking permit. Permits are available to purchase at gvsu.edu/parking. The permit costs $240 per semester for those commuting to campus and enrolled in seven or more credit hours. For commuting students with fewer than seven credit hours, the permit cost is $150 per semester. The permit cost for non-GVSU students, including the on-campus housing permits, are $210 per semester. The cost of the permit will be billed to your student account.

Students with classes at the GVSU Health Campus now have a parking permit included in the reserved parking ramp located north and east of the Daniel and Pamela DeVos Center for Interprofessional Health. A commuter or resident permit is required.

In addition, temporary day permits are available for purchase online at a cost of $10 per day and will be billed to your student account.

Pay-to-park short-term options are available on each campus and can be found on the Parking Services website.

Parents and guests may obtain a visitor parking permit free of charge by visiting Grand Valley Parking Services, which has two locations: the north end of the Allendale Campus in the Service Building or on the Pew Grand Rapids Campus located at 102 Eberhard Center.

Please direct parking questions to Grand Valley Parking Services by phone at (616) 331-PARK (7275) or by visiting the website at gvsu.edu/parking.