

## International Student Services – Spring 2021 Important Dates College of Pharmacy’s Doctor of Pharmacy (PharmD) Program

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<https://pharmacy.tamu.edu/calendar/academic-calendar.html>.

For Terra Dotta Request Availability Dates and Deadlines,  
please visit <https://tamu-iss.terradotta.com/?go=deadlines>.

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| <b><u>Health Insurance Waivers Accepted</u></b>  | <b>Wednesday, December 9<br/>– Monday, February 1</b>   |
| <b>Academic Break Period</b><br><i>F-1 and J-1 students are not subject to the 20-hour per week maximum for on-campus employment during this time.</i>   | <b>Saturday, December 19 –<br/>Sunday, January 3 (P3<br/>students)</b><br><br><b>Saturday, December 19 –<br/>Sunday, January 10 (P1,<br/>P2, and P4 students)</b> |
| <b>Earliest employment start date for F-1 students requesting Curricular Practical Training (CPT) authorization for Spring 2021.</b>   | <b>Saturday, December 19</b>  |
| <b>ISS Closed – Texas A&amp;M University Faculty/Staff Holiday</b>   | <b>12:00pm (noon) on<br/>Tuesday, December 22 –<br/>Sunday, January 3</b>   |
| <b>Day before Spring term classes begin.</b><br><i>This is the latest Fall 2020 CPT employment end date for F-1 students who did not graduate in Spring 2021 term.</i>   | <b>Sunday, January 3 (P3<br/>students)</b><br><br><b>Sunday, January 10 (P1,<br/>P2, and P4 students)</b>   |
| <b>First day of Spring 2021 classes.</b>   | <b>Monday, January 4 (P3<br/>students)</b><br><br><b>Monday, January 11 (P1,<br/>P2, and P4 students)</b>   |
| <b>Graduation application opens for all students planning to graduate in Spring 2021</b>   | <b>Wednesday, January 6</b>   |
| <b>Last day for adding/dropping courses for Spring 2021.</b><br><i>Date by which all F-1 and J-1 students must be full-time enrolled (12 credits for undergraduates, 9 credits for graduates), be flagged as full-time by the Registrar, or have applied for a Reduced Course Load (RCL) with ISS.</i><br><i>This is also the last day for F-1 and J-1 students to submit an approved Letter of Completion to ISS to avoid enrollment for Spring 2021 (for immigration purposes only).</i> | <b>Friday, January 8 (P2<br/>and P3 students)</b><br><br><b>Friday, January 15 (P1<br/>and P4 students)</b>   |

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| <p><b>End of 30-day grace period for J-1 students who graduated in Fall 2020.</b></p> <p><i>By this date, graduate must have:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Departed from the U.S.; or</li> <li>- Applied for Post-Completion Academic Training; or</li> <li>- Transferred SEVIS record to another school; or</li> <li>- Obtained a new DS-2019 for a new academic program.</li> </ul>        | <p><b>Not Applicable for College of Pharmacy</b></p>   |
| <p><b>End of 60-day grace period for F-1 students who graduated in Fall 2020.</b></p> <p><i>By this date, graduate must have:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Departed from the U.S.; or</li> <li>- Applied for Post-Completion Optional Practical Training; or</li> <li>- Transferred SEVIS record to another school; or</li> <li>- Obtained a new I-20 for a new academic program.</li> </ul> | <p><b>Not Applicable for College of Pharmacy</b></p>   |
| <p><b>ISS Closed – Texas A&amp;M University Faculty/Staff Holiday</b></p>  | <p><b>Monday, January 18</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Earliest day that USCIS will accept an application for Post-Completion Optional Practical Training (OPT) based on Spring 2021 graduation.</b></p>  | <p><b>Sunday, February 28</b></p>  |
| <p><b>Last day to defend thesis/dissertation in order to make Spring 2021 graduation (OGAPS requirement).</b></p>  | <p><b>Friday, March 12</b></p>   |
| <p><b>ISS Closed - Texas A&amp;M University Faculty/Staff Spring Break</b></p>   | <p><b>Friday, March 19</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Preregistration for Summer and Fall 2021 semesters</b></p>   | <p><b>Begins Thursday, April 1</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Last day to Q-drop classes.</b></p> <p><i>*Reminder* F-1 and J-1 students requesting a Reduced Course Load (RCL) must have the RCL approved by ISS prior to dropping below full-time enrollment.</i></p>   | <p><b>Not Applicable for College of Pharmacy</b></p>   |
| <p><b>Last day of final examinations for Spring 2021</b></p> <p><i>This is the latest Spring 2021 CPT employment end date for F-1 students graduating in Spring 2021 term.</i></p>   | <p><b>Friday, May 7 (P1, P2, and P4 students)</b></p> <p><b>Friday, May 14 (P3 students)</b></p> |
| <p><b>ISS Closed – Texas A&amp;M University Faculty/Staff Holiday</b></p>  | <p><b>Friday, May 28 – Monday, May 31</b></p>  |
| <p><b>1st commencement ceremony for Spring 2021</b></p> <p><i>This is the date used by ISS to indicate the graduation date for all F-1 and J-1 students for immigration purposes.</i></p> <p><i>F-1 and J-1 students must stop working in on-campus student positions by this date if they are graduating in Spring 2021.</i></p>  | <p><b>Saturday, May 29</b></p>   |

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| <p><b>Earliest employment start date for F-1 students requesting Curricular Practical Training (CPT) authorization for Summer 2021.</b></p>   | <p><b>Sunday, May 30</b></p>  |
| <p><b>Academic Break Period</b><br/> <i>F-1 and J-1 students are not subject to the 20-hour per week maximum for on-campus employment during this time.</i></p>   | <p><b>Sunday, May 30 – Day before Fall 2021 classes begin (TBD)</b></p> |
| <p><b>Day before Summer term classes begin.</b><br/> <i>This is the latest Spring 2021 CPT employment end date for F-1 students who did not graduate in Spring 2021 term.</i></p>   | <p><b>Monday, May 31</b></p>  |
| <p><b>First day of Summer term classes</b></p>  | <p><b>Tuesday, June 1</b></p>   |
| <p><b>End of 30-day grace period for J-1 students who graduate in Spring 2021.</b><br/> <i>By this date, graduate must have:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Departed from the U.S.; or</i></li> <li>- <i>Applied for Post-Completion Academic Training; or</i></li> <li>- <i>Transferred SEVIS record to another school; or</i></li> <li>- <i>Obtained a new DS-2019 for a new academic program.</i></li> </ul>        | <p><b>Monday, June 28</b></p>   |
| <p><b>End of 60-day grace period for F-1 students who graduate in Spring 2021.</b><br/> <i>By this date, graduate must have:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <i>Departed from the U.S.; or</i></li> <li>- <i>Applied for Post-Completion Optional Practical Training; or</i></li> <li>- <i>Transferred SEVIS record to another school; or</i></li> <li>- <i>Obtained a new I-20 for a new academic program.</i></li> </ul> | <p><b>Wednesday, July 28</b></p>  |