Fall Term 2003
August 1
Fall tuition and fees due.
August 18
Residence halls and apartments open for upperclass and new graduate students.
August 22
Dining halls open with breakfast.
August 24
Class of 2007 Convocation.
August 25
Classes begin.
September 1
Labor Day. No classes. Staff holiday.
September 8
Last day for graduate and undergraduate students to add courses or change sections without appeal or to put courses on Audit.
Last day for completion of “NE” grade requirements for spring 2003 courses.
September 19
Last day to file degree applications with Registrar’s Office for December 31, 2003 graduation.
October 10
Midterm break begins after last class.
October 13
No classes.
October 14
Classes resume. Follow Monday class schedule.
October 21
Last day for undergraduates to drop a course and last day for graduate students to drop courses without appeal.
October 27-31
Consultation Week. Advisement for spring registration. Students should consult their faculty advisers.
October 26
Honors Convocation.
October 24-26
Family Weekend.
October 25
Rensselaer Legacy Reception.
November 3-17
Registration for all currently enrolled students for the spring semester.
November 21
Last day for undergraduates to add or remove Pass/No Credit designation.
November 25
Master’s theses and engineering projects due to advisers. Doctoral theses due to thesis professors. Thanksgiving recess begins after last class. Dining halls close after dinner.
November 26-28
No classes.
November 27-28
Staff holidays.
November 30
Dining halls open with dinner.
December 1
Classes resume.
December 5
Master’s theses and engineering project records of completion due in Office of Graduate Education. Last day for final examinations for doctoral theses. Classes end after last evening class.
December 8-9
No classes. Study-Review Days.
December 10-12 and 15-16
Final examinations.
December 12
Doctoral theses due in Office of Graduate Education.
December 15
December 16
Dining halls close after dinner.
December 17
Winter recess begins. All students, whether or not returning for spring term, must vacate residence halls by noon.
December 25
Staff holiday.
December 31
Official date of December graduation; diplomas mailed to students after final clearance is completed in January. Degree recipients may take part in the May 2004 Commencement ceremony.
January 1
Staff holiday.
January 5
Spring tuition and fees due.

Spring Term 2004
January 7
Residence halls and apartments open for spring term.
January 11
Dining halls open with dinner.
January 12
Classes begin.
January 19
Martin Luther King Jr. Day. No classes. Staff holiday.
January 23
Last day to file degree applications with Registrar’s Office for May 2004 graduation.
January 26
Last day for graduate and undergraduate students to add courses or change sections without appeal or to put courses on Audit.
February 16
No classes. Staff holiday.
February 17
Classes resume. Follow Monday class schedule.
March 5
Last day for undergraduates to drop a course. Last day for graduate students to drop courses without appeal. Spring recess begins after last class. Contract dining halls close after dinner.
March 8-14
Spring Break.
March 15
Classes resume. Contract dining halls open with breakfast.
March 15-19
Consultation Week. Advisement for summer and fall registration. Students should consult their faculty advisers.
March 22- April 5
Registration for all currently enrolled students for summer and fall semesters.
March 26-April 2
Grand Marshal Week (Student Government elections).
March 31
No classes.
April 16
Last day for undergraduates to add or remove Pass/No Credit designation. Master's theses and engineering projects due to advisers. Doctoral theses due to thesis professors.
April 23
Master's theses and engineering project records of completion due in Office of Graduate Education. Last day for final examinations for doctoral theses.
April 28
Classes end after last evening class.
April 28-29
Graduation status check and post-graduation career plans due.
April 29-30
No classes. Study-Review Day.
May 3
Add/Drop reopens for fall 2003.
May 3-7
Final examinations.
May 7
All contract dining halls close after dinner. Deadline for completion of “NE” grade requirements for fall 2004 courses.
May 8
Residence halls and apartments close for all students not participating in Commencement.
May 14
ROTC Commissioning Ceremony.
May 15
Commencement.
May 16
All residence halls close by 11:00 am.
Summer Session 2004
March 22-April 5
Currently enrolled Rensselaer students register for summer session.
May 16
Residence halls and apartments open for summer.
May 17
Final registration for summer term. Classes begin. Courses will be scheduled for varying lengths of time during the summer session. See the class hour schedule for specific information.
May 31
No classes. Staff holiday.
June 4
Last day to file degree application with Registrar’s Office for August 31, 2004, graduation.
June 10-13
July 9
Master’s theses and engineering projects due to advisers.
July 16
Doctoral theses due to thesis professors.
July 23
Master’s theses and engineering project records of completion due in Office of Graduate Education. Last day for final examinations for doctoral theses.
July 30
Doctoral theses due in Office of Graduate Education.
August 6
Final exams must be complete.
August 31
Official date of August graduation; diplomas mailed to students after final clearance is completed in late September. Degree recipients may take part in the May 2005 Commencement ceremony.
Fall Term 2004
August 2
Fall tuition and fees due.