

2007 Calendar

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Valdosta State University

Reference Guide and Calendar

2006-2007



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Strategic Research & Analysis

July 2006

2006-2007 Reference Guide and Calendar

Welcome to the new 2006-2007 Reference Guide and Calendar!

This newly revised and redesigned Reference Guide and Calendar provides the dates of major institutional activities occurring during the next fiscal year.

All of the events that were available as of July 1, 2006 are listed in the calendar. Other and more specialized event listings may be found on the VSU Campus Calendars web page at www.valdosta.edu/calendars/.

This document was prepared by Linda Gooden, Research Associate II and Angela Henderson, Institutional Research Analyst I. Dawn Wood, Graduate Assistant contributed to the Reference Guide and Calendar through diligent proofreading and checking the accuracy of information.

Our appreciation is extended to all the University offices which assisted us with the development and collection of information. Special appreciation is extended to Mr. David Surrency and the staff of Printing Services for duplication of the calendar.

We invite you to make meaningful use of this Reference Guide and Calendar and welcome comments and recommendations. Please e-mail any suggestions or comments to Dr. Marsha Krotseng, Associate Vice President of Strategic Research & Analysis, at krotseng@valdosta.edu.

As always, we look forward to working with you to achieve excellence and reach our strategic goals*.

Concise Mission Statement

The mission of Valdosta State University is to:

- Prepare our students to meet global opportunities and challenges through excellence in teaching and learning.
- Expand the boundaries of current knowledge, and explore the practical applications of that knowledge, through excellence in scholarship and creative endeavors.
- Promote the economic, cultural, and educational progress of our community and of our region, through excellence in service outreach.

VSU seeks to accomplish this mission in a dynamic, student-centered learning environment marked by respect for the diverse abilities, backgrounds, and contributions of all members of the university community.

Strategic Goals

Refined July 2006

University Goal: Enrollment and Retention

Intentionally grow undergraduate and graduate enrollment (to 12,000 over the next 5 years) through additional new students and increased retention and graduation rates of existing students.

University Goal: Academic Programs

Develop programs in health-related professions while continuing to offer, identify, and develop programs which prepare students to be responsible, thoughtful and productive citizens.

University Goal: Diversity

Move beyond tolerance by actively promoting acceptance, inclusion, appreciation, and respect for human similarities and differences.

University Goal: Faculty and Staff Development

Enhance employment excellence and identify best practices in developing and retaining quality faculty and staff.

University Goal: Financial Support

Establish the infrastructure to increase sponsored research and private gifts as a percent of the total budget to position VSU to achieve its mission.

* All VSU goals support related goals of the University System of Georgia <http://www.usg.edu/>

Valdosta State University Statistical Highlights

- VSU celebrates its centennial anniversary on August 18th, 2006. Details of VSU's Centennial Celebration are available online at: www.valdosta.edu/news/centennial.php
- Since VSU was founded in 1906 as South Georgia State Normal College and the first classes were held on January 2, 1913, the Centennial years will be recognized from 2006 to 2013.
- In 1922, the school was renamed Georgia State Woman's College. The school became co-educational in 1950 and changed its name to Valdosta State College. On July 1, 1993, VSC became a Regional University and has been known since that date as Valdosta State University.
- VSU has hosted the Governor's Honors Program for the last twenty-seven years as of FY 2006.
- Enrollment for Fall 2005 was 10,503. Undergraduate enrollment totalled 9,093 and graduate enrollment 1,410. These enrollments represent a .9% increase in undergraduates and a 1.7% increase in graduates from Fall 2004.
- The average age of undergraduates was 22 years old and the average age of graduate students was 34 years old in Fall 2005.
- Females represented 61% of the student body. In Fall 2005, 21% of the students were Black, Non-Hispanic and 5% were other racial/ethnic minorities.
- In Fall 2005, Georgians comprised 92% of the total enrollment while Floridians accounted for 2%; all other out-of-state students represented 4%, and International students represented 2%.
- Students came from 151 of the 159 counties in Georgia, 46 states, and 68 countries for Fall 2005.
- 50% of all students and 34% of first-time freshmen came from the 41-county service region, while 23% of all students and 41% of first-time freshmen came from the Metro Atlanta area in Fall 2005.
- In FY 2005, over \$66 million in student financial aid was distributed to assist students.
- Actual unaudited Educational and General expenditures for FY 2005 totalled \$69,438,908.

- In FY 2005, VSU received \$5,542,550 in grants and contracts.

- In FY 2006, VSU conferred a total of 1,929 degrees.

Degrees Conferred by College

Dewar College of Education: 817
College of Arts and Sciences: 504
Langdale College of Business: 302
College of Arts: 182
College of Nursing: 91
MLIS and Social Work: 33

- VSU's retention rate for first-time full-time freshmen for Fall 2004 to Fall 2005 was 76%, an increase of .7% from 2003-2004.
- As of Fall 2005 VSU's six year graduation rate was 41%, an increase of 6.4% from Fall 2004.
- In Fall 2005, VSU employed 891 administrators and staff members, 58% of whom were female; 85% of all administrators and staff worked full-time.
- In Fall 2005, VSU employed 435 full-time faculty and 110 part-time faculty.
- Females constituted 48% of all faculty. In Fall 2005, 5% of the faculty were Black, Non-Hispanic and 5% were other racial/ethnic minorities.
- 338 of VSU's full-time faculty have achieved terminal degrees.
- VSU has 22 different national honorary fraternities and societies and 22 social councils.
- VSU has 11 athletic teams including men's and women's cross country, basketball, and tennis; men's football, baseball, and golf; and women's volleyball and softball.
- The average SAT for first-time freshmen in Fall 2004 was 1025, while the average for Fall 2005 was 1028, an increase of .3%.

For additional detailed information on a variety of VSU related topics, including enrollment, graduation rates, and much more, please visit the Strategic Research & Analysis web site at: www.valdosta.edu/sra

Sources: 2005 Fact Book; Fall 2005 SIRS; 2005-2006 IPEDS; U.S. News and World Report Survey.

August 2006

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
		1	2
6	7 Fall Convocation Whitehead Auditorium, 10. a.m. Luncheon for faculty and staff 11:30 a.m. Deans, Directors and Department Heads meeting 1:30 p.m. PRAXIS	8 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta College, Division and Department activities 8 a.m. New Faculty Info. Session 1:30 p.m. Reception and Opportunities Fair for New Faculty 3:30 p.m.	9 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta Continental Breakfast and Academic Orientation for New Faculty
13	14 First Class Day for Fall Semester Fall Registration Ends at 5:30 p.m.	15 Late Registration Begins	16 MAT
20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
3 CIR II Census Date	4	5 PRAXIS (I & II)	
10 Fall Registration begins 5 p.m. CIR II Due Date	11 TAP Fall Registration, 3 p.m. Residence Halls open for returning students Registration and Drop/Add	12	
17	18 VSU Centennial Celebration Late Registration Ends at 2:30 p.m.	19	
24	25	26	
31 New Employee Orientation UC Rose Room			

September 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
3	4 Labor Day (VSU Offices Closed)	5	6
10	11	12 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta	13 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta
17	18 PRAXIS	19	20
24	25	26	27

September 2006

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
	1	2 VSU Blazers vs. Albany State at Albany, GA, 7 p.m.	
7 Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 3:30 p.m.	8	9 VSU Blazers vs. Fort Valley State at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, 7 p.m.	
14	15	16 PRAXIS (I & II) American College Test (ACT)	
21 Faculty Senate, 3:30 p.m. MAT	22 Parents Weekend	23 VSU Blazers vs. Arkansas Tech at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, 7 p.m. Parents Weekend	
28 VSU Blazers vs. Ouachita Baptist at Arkadelphia, AR, 8 p.m. New Employee Orientation, UC Rose Room	29	30	

October 2006

October 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
1	2	3	4
8	9 Columbus Day	10 Board of Regents Meeting, Fort Valley University	11 Board of Regents Meeting, Fort Valley University
15	16 Fall Break (No Classes)	17 Fall Break (No Classes)	18
22	23 Early Registration for Spring 2007 begins Regents' Testing Program (RTP)	24 Regents' Testing Program (RTP)	25 Regents' Testing Program (RTP)
29	30	31 Halloween	

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
5 Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 3:30 p.m.	6 Fall Midterm	7 Homecoming: VSU Blazers vs. Southern Arkansas at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, 1 p.m.	
12 VSU Blazers vs. Delta State at Cleveland MS, 8 p.m.	13	14 MAT	
19 Faculty Senate, 3:30 p.m.	20	21 VSU Blazers vs. West Alabama at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, 1 p.m.	
26 New Employee Orientation UC Rose Room Regents' Testing Program (RTP)	27	28 VSU Blazers vs. North Alabama at Florence AL, TBA ACT	

November 2006

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
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5	6	7 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta MAT	8 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta
12	13	14	15
19	20 PRAXIS	21 Early Registration for Spring 2007 ends	22 Thanksgiving Break Begins (VSU Offices Close at Noon)
26	27	28	29

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
2 Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 3:30 p.m.	3	4 VSU Blazers vs. Arkansas-Monticello at Bazemore-Hyder Stadium, 1 p.m. SAT (I & II); GRE	
9 VSU Blazers vs. West Georgia at Carrollton, 8 p.m.	10 Veterans' Day Observed	11 Visitation Day	
16 Faculty Senate, 3:30 p.m.	17	18 PRAXIS (I & II)	
23 Thanksgiving Break (VSU Offices Closed)	24 Thanksgiving Break (VSU Offices Closed)	25	
30 New Employee Orientation UC Rose Room			

December 2006

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
3	4 Last Class Day for Fall Semester	5 Exam Prep Day COMPASS Exit	6 Final Exams COMPASS Exit MAT
10	11	12	13
17	18	19	20 Seasonal Holidays Begin (VSU Offices Closed)
24	25 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)	26 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)	27 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)
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December 2006

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
	1	2 SAT (I & II) GRE	
7 Final Exams COMPASS Exit	8 Final Exams	9 Graduation ACT	
14	15	16	
21 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)	22 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)	23	
28 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)	29 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)	30	

January 2007

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
	1 Seasonal Holidays (VSU Offices Closed)	2	3
7	8 First Class Day for Spring Semester	9 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta	10 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta
14	15 Martin Luther King Day (VSU Offices Closed)	16	17
21	22	23	24
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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
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11 MAT	12	13 PRAXIS (I & II)	
18	19	20	
25 New Employee Orientation UC Rose Room	26	27 SAT (I & II)	

February 2007

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
4	5	6	7
11	12	13 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta	14 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta Valentine's Day
18	19	20	21
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Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
1 Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 3:30 p.m.	2	3 MAT	
8	9	10 Visitation Day ACT	
15 Faculty Senate, 3:30 p.m.	16	17	
22 New Employee Orientation UC Rose Room	23	24	

March 2007

March 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
4	5 PRAXIS	6	7 RTP
11	12 Spring Break (No Classes)	13 Spring Break (No Classes) Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta	14 Spring Break (No Classes) Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta
18	19 RTP	20 RTP MAT	21
25	26	27	28

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
1 Faculty Senate Executive Committee, 3:30 p.m.	2 Spring Midterm	3 PRAXIS (I & II)	
8 RTP	9	10	
15 Spring Break (No Classes)	16 Spring Break (No Classes)	17	
22 Faculty Senate, 3:30 p.m.	23	24	
29 New Employee Orientation UC Rose Room	30	31 Visitation Day	

June 2007

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
3	4	5	6 First Class Day Summer II
10	11 PRAXIS	12 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta	13 Board of Regents Meeting, Atlanta
17	18	19 Summer III Midterm	20
24	25 RTP	26 RTP	27 RTP

June 2007

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Notes
	1	2 SAT (I & II)	
7 First Class Day Summer III	8	9 PRAXIS (I & II) ACT	
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28 Last Class Day Summer III New Employee Orientation UC Rose Room RTP	29 Midterm Summer II Summer III Final Exams	30	

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