Summer Session 2015
Office of the Registrar
Administrator’s Forum
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Rice administers the *Summer School for College Students Program* to:

- Help students stay on target to graduate “on time”
- Provide some teaching opportunities for graduate students
- Promote Rice’s reputation to visiting students

In addition, the *Summer School program* also helps to:

- Alleviate some course demand and classroom scheduling challenges during the academic year
- Provide opportunities to offer some online-only classes
- Provide opportunities for some faculty-led study abroad experiences

The primary audience and focus is on Rice students, as well as other college students residing in the Houston area over the summer.
The Rice Summer School for College Students Program is separated into three sessions for undergraduate courses.

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Other courses, primarily research are offered in one full-term session; These courses are primarily graduate level (some UG level offerings)

Full Summer Session

May 4 – August 14 (15 weeks)
• Summer 2015 Course Schedule to be posted on Monday, March 2nd

• Registration for Summer 2015 begins Monday, March 9th for currently enrolled Rice students via ESTHER

• Non-Rice students may apply as Visiting Students

• High School Students
  – Only recent high school graduates are eligible to apply and register

• May 2015 Rice Degree Recipients
  – Eligible to register for Summer as a Visiting Post-Baccalaureate student
  – Credits earned for Summer 2015 are not eligible to be applied to a previously awarded degree.
• Departments should complete a Summer 2015 Course Schedule Form
• The Dean’s office should review, approve and submit proposed course sections
• Any proposed course with international travel should additionally have the approval of the Office of the Dean of Undergraduates (for Study Abroad review)
• Any proposed ROC (Rice Online Course) should additionally have the approval of the VP for Strategic Initiatives and Digital Education
• Approved Summer 2015 Course Schedule Form is then forwarded to the OTR
• The OTR reviews and adds the requested course(s) to the Course Schedule
Summer allows us the opportunity to explore some new possibilities with course pedagogy, course delivery, etc.

- In Summer 2014 there were 3 online-only course offerings
- These are for-credit ROCs (Rice Online Courses)
- It is anticipated that there will be 4-6 ROCs in Summer 2015
Rice Summer Institute offers students the opportunity to study abroad:

- Students can take Rice courses taught by Rice faculty.
- Earn Rice distribution and/or major credit.
- Spend 3 to 4 weeks in country, corresponding with Summer Session I or II.
- Each program consists of 2 courses and at least 6 credits at Summer Tuition rates.

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The Summer Semester 2015 Academic Calendar is available online at http://registrar.rice.edu/calendars/

Listed below are some key dates for all to remember

**Friday, January 23**  
Deadline for first slate of proposed summer 2015 course offerings submitted by the Academic Deans’ offices to OTR

**Friday, January 30**  
Deadline for draft Summer 2015 Schedule of Courses sent by OTR to Deans’ offices for review

**Friday February 20**  
Deadline for final review of Draft Summer 2015 Schedule of Courses  
Final review of paperwork signed by Deans’ offices and returned to OTR

**Monday, March 2**  
Summer 2015 Schedule of Courses formally posted in ESTHER

**Monday, March 9**  
Summer 2015 registration officially opens in ESTHER

**Monday, May 11**  
Deadline for determination by the Dean as to whether a Summer Session I or II course is to be cancelled due to low enrollment

**Monday, June 15**  
Deadline for determination by the Dean as to whether a Summer Session III course is to be cancelled due to low enrollment
For more information on Summer 2015 contact

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Areas of Responsibility for Summer include Visiting Student Application processing, Student Registration, PA Form collection, general questions, etc.

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Areas of Responsibility for Summer include Course Offerings and Schedules