

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2011 - 2012**FALL SEMESTER 2011**

Aug. 16	\$50 Late application penalty begins
Aug. 22	Classes begin
Aug. 24	Last day to add without signature & drop classes online
Aug. 29	DROP/AUDIT fee begins (\$10 per class)
Sept. 5	Labor Day Holiday <i>(no classes)</i>
Sept. 6	\$50 Late registration/payment fee
Sept. 12	Pell Grant Census
Sept. 12	Last day for refund
Sept. 12	Last day to drop without receiving a "W" grade
Sept. 13	Courses dropped for non-payment
Sept. 16	Last day to ADD classes
Sept. 30	Fall Graduation application deadline
Oct. 12	Mid-term grades due
Oct. 13-14	Semester Break <i>(no classes)</i>
Oct. 17	Last day to DROP/AUDIT classes
Nov. 11	Last day for complete withdrawal from all classes
Nov. 14	Spring 2012 Registration begins
Nov. 15	Career Day <i>(no classes before 4:00 p.m.)</i>
Nov. 23-25	Thanksgiving Break <i>(no classes)</i>
Dec. 9	Classes end
Dec. 12-16	Final Exams
Dec. 20	Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.

SPRING SEMESTER 2012

Dec. 20	\$50 Late application penalty begins
Jan. 9	Classes begin
Jan. 11	Last day to add without signature & drop classes online
Jan. 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day <i>(no classes)</i>
Jan. 17	DROP/AUDIT fee begins (\$10 per class)
Jan. 24	\$50 Late registration/payment fee
Jan. 30	Graduation application deadline
Jan. 31	Pell Grant Census
Jan. 31	Last day for refund
Jan. 31	Last day to drop without receiving a "W" grade
Feb. 1	Courses dropped for non-payment
Feb. 1	Spring Graduation application deadline
Feb. 3	Last day to ADD classes
Feb. 20	President's Day Holiday <i>(no classes)</i>
Feb. 27	Mid-term grades due
Mar. 2	Last day to DROP/AUDIT classes
Mar. 12-16	Semester Break <i>(no classes)</i>
Mar. 19	Summer 2012 Registration begins
Apr. 6	Last day for complete withdrawal from all classes
Apr. 16	Fall 2012 Registration begins
Apr. 26	Classes end
Apr. 27	Final Exams
Apr. 30 - May 3	Final Exams continue
May 4	Commencement
May 9	Final grades due, 5:00 p.m.

Historical Background

Dixie State College is located in St. George, Utah, 300 miles south of Salt Lake City and 110 miles northeast of Las Vegas. With a population over 70,000, St. George is a tourist magnet because of its proximity to such scenic wonders as Zion, Bryce Canyon, and Grand Canyon National Parks, Cedar Breaks National Monument, and Lakes Mead and Powell.

In 1861, a shortage of cotton goods prompted Brigham Young, the Mormon colonizer, to send 300 families to southwestern Utah to raise cotton and build a factory for manufacturing cloth. This colonization was an historic epic in hardship and struggle. The combination of a semi-tropical climate and cotton-growing caused early settlers to refer to the area as Utah's Dixie — hence the name Dixie State College. When it began operation in 1911, the school was officially called the St. George Stake Academy, but it was soon nicknamed Dixie Academy. In 1923, it became Dixie Junior College, and in 1970, Dixie College. In July of 2000, the institution officially became known as Dixie State College of Utah as it added baccalaureate degree programs to its academic offerings.

Originally operated by the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, the College was turned over to state control in 1933. In 1963, Dixie State College moved to a new campus, and on this 110-acre site, the college has grown steadily. In 2000, the College officially added the Hurricane Center, an 8-acre parcel with a new education facility, and a small office in Kanab providing direct access to college courses and programs to those areas. The O.C. Tanner Amphitheater at the mouth of Zion National Park provides an additional 117 acres to the campus.

The College has recently experienced incredible growth as students from all over the United States are discovering the quality and value an education at DSC provides through its bachelor's, associate's, and applied science degrees, as well as certificate programs.