UAB Heersink SOM MD Degree Academic Calendar

Academic Calendar Year **2026-2027** | *TENTATIVE & SUBJECT TO CHANGE* | **Last revised: January 14, 2026**

Terms & Diploma Dates:	**CO 2027** (matriculation 2023)	**CO 2028** (matriculation 2024)	**CO 2029** (matriculation 2025)	**CO 2030** (matriculation 2026)
Academic Year Start Date by Class:	29-Jun-26	29-Jun-26	29-Jun-26	27-Jul-26
Academic Year End Date by Class:	22-May-27 (May Diploma Date)	27-Jun-27	27-Jun-27	06-Jun-27
Expected Diploma Date by Class:	**15-Aug-26, 26-Dec-26, and 22-May-27**	Approx. 14-Aug-27, 25-Dec-27, 20-May-28	Approx. 12-Aug-28, 23-Dec-28, and 26-May-29	TBD

Academic Year by Week:

AY calendar cycle on regular schedule, no extra Special Topics/Winter Break/Week 25X. **Next AY calendar cycle RESET with Week 25X will be 2028-29.**

Monday	Sunday	WK#	MS4			MS3				MS2			MS1			WK#
29-Jun-26 ***	05-Jul-26	1	CRISP		Block 1a	CRISP		Block 1a		Special Topics	Scholarly Activity	4 - Summer Break				1
06-Jul-26	12-Jul-26	2	CRISP		Block 1a	CRISP		Block 1a		Special Topics	Scholarly Activity	5 - Summer Break				2
13-Jul-26	19-Jul-26	3	CRISP		Block 1a	CRISP		Block 1a		Special Topics	Scholarly Activity	6 - Summer Break				3
20-Jul-26	26-Jul-26	4	CRISP		Block 1a	CRISP		Block 1a		Special Topics	Scholarly Activity	7 - Summer Break				4
27-Jul-26	02-Aug-26	5	CRISP		Block 1b	CRISP		Block 1b		Special Topics	Scholarly Activity	8 - Summer Break	CRISP		**MS1 ORIENTATION WEEK**	5
03-Aug-26	09-Aug-26	6	CRISP	Co-E	Block 1b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 1b		CRISP	Co-E	1 - Neurosciences	CRISP		1 - Patient, Doctor, & Society	6
10-Aug-26	16-Aug-26	7	CRISP	Co-E	Block 1b **August diploma**	CRISP	Co-E	Block 1b		CRISP	Co-E	2 - Neurosciences	CRISP		2 - Patient, Doctor, & Society	7
17-Aug-26	23-Aug-26	8	CRISP	Co-E	Block 1b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 1b		CRISP	Co-E	3 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 1 - **Block 1** Week 1	8
24-Aug-26	30-Aug-26	9	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a		CRISP	Co-E	4 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 2 - **Block 1** Week 2	9
31-Aug-26	06-Sep-26	10	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a		CRISP	Co-E	5 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 3 - **Block 1** Week 3	10
7-Sep-26 ***	13-Sep-26	11	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a		CRISP	Co-E	6 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 4 - *Block 2* Week 1	11
14-Sep-26	20-Sep-26	12	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2a		CRISP	Co-E	7 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 5 - *Block 2* Week 2	12
21-Sep-26	27-Sep-26	13	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b		CRISP	Co-E	8 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 6 - *Block 2* Week 3	13
28-Sep-26	04-Oct-26	14	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b		CRISP	Co-E	9 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 7 - *Block 2* Week 4	14
05-Oct-26	11-Oct-26	15	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b		CRISP	Co-E	10 - Neurosciences	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 8 - **Block 3** Week 1	15
12-Oct-26	18-Oct-26	16	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 2b		CRISP	Co-E	1 - Musculoskeletal & Skin	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 9 - **Block 3** Week 2	16
19-Oct-26	25-Oct-26	17	Special Topics		Fall Break	Special Topics			Fall Break	Special Topics		Fall Break	Fall Break			17
26-Oct-26	01-Nov-26	18	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a		CRISP	Co-E	2 - Musculoskeletal & Skin	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 10 - **Block 3** Week 3	18
02-Nov-26	08-Nov-26	19	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a		CRISP	Co-E	3 - Musculoskeletal & Skin	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 11 - *Block 4* Week 1	19
9-Nov-26 ***	15-Nov-26	20	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a		CRISP	Co-E	4 - Musculoskeletal & Skin	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 12 - *Block 4* Week 2	20
16-Nov-26	22-Nov-26	21	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3a		CRISP	Co-E	5 - Musculoskeletal & Skin	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 13 - *Block 4* Week 3	21
23-Nov-26 ***	29-Nov-26	22	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b		CRISP	Co-E	6 - Musculoskeletal & Skin	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 14 - *Block 4* Week 4	22
30-Nov-26	06-Dec-26	23	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b	**MS3 OSCE Dec**	CRISP	Co-E	1 - Endocrine	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 15 - **Block 5** Week 1	23
07-Dec-26	13-Dec-26	24	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b		CRISP	Co-E	2 - Endocrine	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 16 - **Block 5** Week 2	24
14-Dec-26	20-Dec-26	25	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 3b		CRISP	Co-E	3 - Endocrine	CRISP		Fundamentals Week 17 - **Block 5** Week 3	25
21-Dec-26 ***	27-Dec-26	26	Winter Break		**December diploma**	Winter Break				Winter Break			Winter Break			26
28-Dec-26 ***	03-Jan-27	27	Winter Break			Winter Break				Winter Break			Winter Break			27
04-Jan-27	10-Jan-27	28	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a		CRISP	Co-E	1 - Reproductive	CRISP	Co-E	1 - Cardiovascular	28
11-Jan-27	17-Jan-27	29	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a		CRISP	Co-E	2 - Reproductive	CRISP	Co-E	2 -Cardiovascular	29
18-Jan 27 ***	24-Jan-27	30	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a		CRISP	Co-E	3 - Reproductive	CRISP	Co-E	3 - Cardiovascular	30
25-Jan-27	31-Jan-27	31	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4a		CRISP	Co-E	4 - Reproductive	CRISP	Co-E	4 - Cardiovascular	31
01-Feb-27	07-Feb-27	32	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b		CRISP	Co-E	1 - Hem-Onc	CRISP	Co-E	5 - Cardiovascular	32
08-Feb-27	14-Feb-27	33	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b		CRISP	Co-E	2 - Hem-Onc	CRISP	Co-E	1 - Pulmonary	33
15-Feb-27	21-Feb-27	34	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b		CRISP	Co-E	3 - Hem-Onc (Mon-Fri)	CRISP	Co-E	2 - Pulmonary	34
22-Feb-27	28-Feb-27	35	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 4b		CRISP	Co-E	4 - Hem-Onc (Mon-Wed) / Evidence-Based Medicine (Thurs-Fri)	CRISP	Co-E	3 - Pulmonary	35
01-Mar-27	07-Mar-27	36	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a Residency Prep Track 1	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a		CRISP	Co-E	Evidence-Based Medicine (Mon-Fri)	CRISP	Co-E	4 - Pulmonary	36
08-Mar-27	14-Mar-27	37	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a Residency Prep Track 1	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a		CRISP	Co-E	**MS2 OSCE March**	CRISP	Co-E	5 -Pulmonary	37
15-Mar-27	21-Mar-27	38	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a		CRISP	Co-E	1 - Step 1 USMLE Board Prep Time	Spring Break			38
22-Mar-27	28-Mar-27	39	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5a		CRISP	Co-E	2 - Step 1 USMLE Board Prep Time	CRISP	Co-E	1 - Gastrointestinal	39
29-Mar-27	04-Apr-27	40	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b Residency Prep Track 2	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b		CRISP	Co-E	3 - Step 1 USMLE Board Prep Time	CRISP	Co-E	2 - Gastrointestinal	40
05-Apr-27	11-Apr-27	41	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b Residency Prep Track 2	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b		CRISP	Co-E	4 - Step 1 USMLE Board Prep Time	CRISP	Co-E	3 - Gastrointestinal	41
12-Apr-27	18-Apr-27	42	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b	**MS3 OSCE Apr**	CRISP	Co-E	5 - Step 1 USMLE Board Prep Time	CRISP	Co-E	4 - Gastrointestinal	42
19-Apr-27	25-Apr-27	43	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b	CRISP	Co-E	Block 5b		CRISP	Co-E	6 - Step 1 USMLE Board Prep Time	CRISP	Co-E	5 - Gastrointestinal	43
26-Apr-27	02-May-27	44	Special Topics		Break	Special Topics			Break	CRISP	Co-E	**Step 1 USMLE Deadline (Tues 4/27)** Clerkship Bootcamp (Asynchronous) Clerkship Orientations (Wed-Fri)	CRISP	Co-E	6 - Gastrointestinal	44
03-May-27	09-May-27	45	CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a		CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a	CRISP	Co-E	1 - Renal	45
10-May-27	16-May-27	46	CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a	CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a		CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a	CRISP	Co-E	2 - Renal	46
17-May-27	23-May-27	47	**May diploma (May 22)**			CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a		CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a	CRISP	Co-E	3 - Renal **MS1 OSCE May**	47
24-May-27	30-May-27	48				CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a		CRISP	Co-E	Block 6a	CRISP	Co-E	4 - Renal	48
31-May-27 ***	06-Jun-27	49				CRISP		Block 6b		CRISP		Block 6b	CRISP		5 - Renal	49
07-Jun-27	13-Jun-27	50				CRISP		Block 6b		CRISP		Block 6b	1 - Summer Break			50
14-Jun-27 ***	20-Jun-27	51				CRISP		Block 6b		CRISP		Block 6b	2 - Summer Break			51
21-Jun-27	27-Jun-27	52				CRISP		Block 6b		CRISP		Block 6b	3 - Summer Break			52

Heersink SOM OSCE Dates AY 2026-2027 => Two **MS3 OSCEs**: TBD December & April | One **MS2 OSCE**: TBD March | One **MS1 OSCE**: TBD May

SAVE THE DATES

***July 4, 2026 Independence Day
***September 7 Labor Day
***Nov 11 Veteran's Day
***Nov 26/27 Thanksgiving
***Dec 24/25 Christmas
***Dec 31/Jan 1 New Year's
***Jan 18, 2027 Martin Luther King Day
***May 31 Memorial Day
***June 19 Juneteeth

"FUNDAMENTALS of Medicine" Course BLOCK Sections in Fall of Year 1:

Block 1 = Biomolecules and Bioenergeics
Block 2 = Development and Anatomic Structure
Block 3 = Cells and Foundations of Pharmacology
Block 4 = Pathology and Immunology
Block 5 = Microbiology and Infectious Diseases

Clinical Reasoning & Integrated Skills Program (CRISP) occurs longitudinally in curriculum.
OSCE = Objective Structured Clinical Skills Exam
Special Topics = Opportunities for Special Topics weeks within core academic year
MS4 Diploma Dates = Saturdays :Blocks 1biii, after 3b, 6aiii
Co-Enrolled Electives = Optional semester-based elective opportunities offered that may be taken and count toward elective credit
Scholarly Activity = Online Scholarly Activity requirement in summer before MS2 year plus required longitudinal scholarly project with milestones for graduation
Step 1 USMLE Board Prep Time = Students prepare and take USMLE Step 1 before entering MS3 Clerkships
Clerkship Bootcamp = Students from all campuses involved in clerkship bootcamp activities asynchronously, voluntary, unless notified otherwise
Clerkship Orientations = Clerkship Orientation and clinical transition activities at student clinical campuses, including orientation, shadowing, ACL/BCLS
Residency Preparation Tracks 1 or 2 = Preparation for Residency bootcamp in MS4 year, two tracks available, Block 5a and 5b
MS1 ORIENTATION WEEK = Future Planning Note: Co2031 Orientation begins TBD in AY 2027-28.