## **Fall 2026 Approved Start and End Dates**

All department-requested sections must comply with the start and end dates specified below.

Length	Dates	Observes Breaks & Holidays Fall Break: Oct. 19 & 20 Thanksgiving Break: Nov. 25-27
Full Semester	8/24 – 12/19/26	Yes
First 8 weeks	8/24 – 10/17/26	Yes
Second 8 weeks (Actually 9 weeks to make-up for breaks & holidays)	10/19 – 12/19/26	Yes
First 8 weeks (MU Online only)	8/24 – 10/17/26	No
Second 8 weeks (MU Online only)	10/19 – 12/12/26	No
First 5 weeks*	8/24 – 9/26/26	No
Second 5 weeks*	9/28 - 10/31/26	No
Third 5 weeks*	11/2 – 12/5/26	No
for breaks & holidays) First 8 weeks (MU Online only) Second 8 weeks (MU Online only) First 5 weeks* Second 5 weeks*	10/19 – 12/12/26 8/24 – 9/26/26 9/28 - 10/31/26 11/2 – 12/5/26	No No No

<sup>\*</sup>Programs outside of MU Online (MUO) may offer 5-week sections, but registration, add/drop procedures, and section dates will be built to comply with MUO policies.