ACADEMIC SESSIONS

The majority of the curricular offerings are given in the two-semester regular session, beginning late in August and ending in May.

REGULAR SESSION

Classes are held Monday through Friday throughout the day, the first class beginning at 8:00 a.m. and the last period ending at 5:20 p.m., with some evening offerings available. The college calendar is listed in the catalog. Class schedules are available online through the Registrar’s website.

MAY TERM, JUNE TERM, JULY TERM

Hope College offers a program of summer school study on its campus for Hope students and those from other schools. The sessions are four-week terms in May (May Term), June (June Term) and July (July Term). Students enroll for up to four credits per term. This concentrated approach allows for innovation in the nature of the course and the mode of instruction. Course offerings include some of the college’s regular courses, along with several novel courses that can only be approached in this manner. Some courses are taught off-campus or include one-, two- or three-day field trips.

The courses are undergraduate credit courses, which can be applied toward a bachelor's degree at Hope or transferred to other colleges and universities. A few offered courses may be acceptable at universities for graduate credit. By enrolling in all three terms, a student can earn nearly an entire semester’s credit at Hope College.

Admission is flexible and open to high school seniors. Enrollment during one of these terms does not assure admission as a degree candidate. Students regularly enrolled at another college should secure advance permission from the Academic Dean or Registrar of that college if they wish credit transfer for their summer study at Hope College. Veterans may apply for full privileges under the G.I. Bill. College facilities are available for housing and dining.

For full details on the May Term, June Term and July Term, contact the Registrar’s Office.