

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS - CRITICAL DATES: FY27

July

7/1/2026	ODD NUMBERED YEARS: New bargaining agreements take effect
7/1/2026	EVEN NUMBERED YEARS: Collective bargaining process takes place
7/1/2026	Comprehensive Program Listing Update and Review by VPAAAs
7/21/2026	NSCS Academic Leadership Retreat (Wayne)
7/22/2026	NSCS Academic Leadership Retreat (Wayne)
7/24/2026	CCPE Meeting (SECC - South Sioux City Education Center - NECC/WSC)

August

8/1/2026	Faculty members are notified of their teaching assignments for the fall semester
8/1/2026	Faculty members notified if assigned to teach online courses and distance learning courses, for the first time in the fall semester
8/20/2026	New Faculty Contracts Begin
8/21/2026	FT Faculty Contracts Begin
8/24/2026	Fall Semester Begins
8/31/2026	New doctorates must be completed and official transcripts or sufficient documentation received by HR for faculty to receive additional compensation

September

9/1/2026	RPT - HR confirms eligibility with VPAA and Deans; VPAA sends eligibility notifications in writing to faculty members and Dean
9/9/2026	Council of Academic Officers Meeting (Chadron)
9/10/2026	NSCS Board of Trustees Board Meeting (Chadron)
9/11/2026	CCPE Meeting (UNL)

October

10/1/2026	RPT - Faculty member confers with Dean regarding eligibility; faculty member notifies RPTC Chair, Dean, & VPAA in writing of intent to apply
10/15/2026	RPT - VPAA & RPT Chair oversee training of RPT committee members; VPAA provides Chair training if individual is new to position
10/16/2026	CCPE Meeting (SCC-Lincoln)

November

11/2/2026	TEA - Nominators submit completed nomination packet to VPAAAs
11/3/2026	TEA - Nominees notified of nomination
11/9/2026	TEA - VPAAAs forward applications to Campus Review Committees for review and recommendation
11/11/2026	Council of Academic Officers Meeting (Wayne)
11/12/2026	NSCS Board of Trustees Meeting (Wayne)
11/30/2026	Evaluation of faculty members in second year of faculty employment completed
11/30/2026	RPT - RPT Chair and Dean oversee offering of help session(s) to faculty preparing RPT materials

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December

12/1/2026	PRIOR TO: Requests for leave of absence for following year due according to deadline established by VPAA
12/1/2026	PRIOR TO: Applications for sabbaticals due according to deadline established by VPAA
12/11/2026	CCPE Meeting (Lincoln)
12/15/2026	PRIOR TO: Non-renewal notice & conference due for faculty in second year of employment
12/15/2026	Faculty members are notified of their teaching assignments for the spring semester
12/15/2026	Faculty members notified if assigned to teach online courses and distance learning courses, for the first time in the spring semester
12/18/2026	Fall Commencement
12/31/2026	PRIOR TO: Non-renewal notice & conference due for NSCPA employees in third & subsequent years of employment
12/31/2026	PRIOR TO: Six month non-renewal notice & conference due for non-union professional staff in third & subsequent years of employment

January

1/11/2027	RPT - Faculty submit application materials (1st day of spring term)
1/11/2027	Spring Semester Begins
1/11/2027	TEA - Recommendation from Campus Review Committees forwarded to VPAA's
1/13/2027	Council of Academic Officers Meeting (Lincoln)
1/14/2027	NSCS Board of Trustees Board Meeting (Lincoln)
1/25/2027	TEA - Recommendation of VPAA's forwarded to Presidents
1/25/2027	RPT - Faculty peers submit recommendation letters with rationale
1/29/2027	Faculty PAR/FIF/activity reports due to the Dean
1/?/2027	CCPE Meeting (TBA)

February

2/1/2027	Program Review Reports due to Vice Chancellor for APP
2/1/2027	PRIOR TO: Faculty notification in writing of President's sabbatical decision
2/1/2027	PRIOR TO: Faculty leave of absence extension requests due
2/1/2027	RPT - Dean recommendations submitted to VPAA's
2/1/2027	TEA - President selects College-level TEA recipient and requests personal statement
2/15/2027	TEA - 2027 Finalists forwarded by Presidents to Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs

March

3/1/2027	PRIOR TO: Non-renewal notice & conference due for faculty in first year of employment
3/1/2027	RPT - RPT Committee written recommendations submitted to VPAA's by Committee Chairs
3/?/2027	CCPE Meeting (TBA)
3/15/2027	PRIOR TO: Non renewal notice & conference due for NSCPA employees in second year of employment
3/15/2027	RPT - VPAA's submit written recommendations to Presidents

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3/16/2027	Higher Learning Commission Annual Conference (Phoenix) - Peer Corps Program and Workshops
3/17/2027	Higher Learning Commission Annual Conference (Phoenix) - General Program
3/18/2027	Higher Learning Commission Annual Conference (Phoenix) - General Program
3/19/2027	Higher Learning Commission Annual Conference (Phoenix) - General Program
3/31/2027	PRIOR TO: Three month non-renewal notice & conference due for non-union professional staff in second year of employment

April

4/1/2027	PRIOR TO: Evaluation procedures for faculty concluding with a conference of the Dean and each faculty member must be completed
4/1/2027	RPT - President notifies faculty of promotion and/or tenure decision(s)
4/7/2026	Council of Academic Officers Meeting (Peru)
4/8/2027	TEA - NSCS award recipient selected by Academics & Personnel Committee
4/8/2027	NSCS Board of Trustees Board Meeting (Peru)
4/13/2027	TEA - Press release for 2026 NSCS TEA recipient sent out
4/15/2027	RPT - Faculty written appeals due to Presidents
4/30/2027	Faculty members notified by email of the expected date of contract delivery to College email address

May

5/1/2027	PRIOR TO: Performance evaluations and conferences must be completed for NAPE and NSCPA employees
5/1/2027	RPT - RPT Committee Member selection for upcoming year/Chair selection
5/8/2027	Spring Commencement
5/8/2027	TEA - 2026 NSCS Award Recipient recognized by his/her College during Spring Commencement ceremony
5/12/2027	FT Faculty Contracts End
5/?/2027	CCPE Meeting (TBA)
5/30/2027	PRIOR TO: Non-renewal notice & conference due for faculty in third & subsequent years of employment
5/31/2027	PRIOR TO: Non-renewal notice & conference due for NSCPA employees in first year of employment
5/31/2027	PRIOR TO: 30 day non-renewal notice & conference due for non-union professional staff in first year of employment

June

6/9/2027	Council of Academic Officers Meeting (Lincoln)
6/10/2027	NSCS Board of Trustees Meeting (Lincoln)