May 21 - October 16  
Pass (P) Grade Election Period. This option is only available for spring 2020 letter graded courses with a D grade or higher. More information and the election form.

June 8 - August 16  
Registration moratorium: Continuing undergraduates cannot add and drop classes for fall 2020.

July 1  
Degree Applications for December 2020 due. For more information, go to: www.newpaltz.edu/registrar/graduation
All students who wish to have a degree or certificate conferred, must apply (undergraduate, graduate degrees and certificates of advanced study)

August 16 - August 18  
First year and transfer students check into residence halls – Each student will be assigned a specific day and time. Residence Life will email students their day/time assignment.

M August 17  
Non-matriculated and visiting student undergraduate registration begins. Link for policy and registration information
Cross-Registered registration begins Information link
Exchange student registration begins Information for exchange students

August 20 - August 23  
Returning Students check into residence halls – Each student will be assigned a specific day and time. Residence Life will email students their day/time assignment.

F August 21  
New Student Convocation

M August 24  
OFFICIAL FIRST DAY OF CLASSES

August 24 - August 30  
Add/Drop Courses Policy
Students can add/drop courses without fee. Some courses may require permission.

August 31 - September 6  
Late Registration/Course Drop: Course Add requires electronic permission from the instructor. $40 late registration fee for first time registration and $20 course change fee for course add.

M September 7  
Labor Day – Classes in session

September 7 - October 30  
Course Withdrawal Period: A student may withdraw from a course that started at the beginning of the semester ($20 course withdrawal fee) Policy and procedure and Students elect course withdrawal here

M September 28  
Deregistration for non-payment Fall 2020 Student Accounts website

M September 28  
Yom Kippur - Classes in session

R October 1  
Study Abroad: Applications open for the Summer semester Information

October 1 - March 1  
Study Abroad: Deadline for Intersession semester, Spring semester and Calendar Year Information

F October 9  
Mid-Point of Fall 2020 semester

U October 11  
Enrollment census reporting due. The census date is set by SUNY System Administration. On this day, New Paltz takes a "snapshot" of all students' enrollment which becomes the "official enrollment" that is used for required State reporting and determining financial aid eligibility.

M October 12  
Columbus Day - classes in session

F October 16  
Last day for pass (P) Grade Election. This option is only available for spring 2020 letter graded courses with a D grade or higher. More information

October 26 - November 20  
Declaration moratorium for Major/Minor: Students cannot declare a major or minor at this time [2]

F October 29  
Last day for Course Withdrawal Faculty see update to the academic integrity policies affecting course withdrawal and Learn more about course withdrawal here**

November 1 - April 1  
Study Abroad: Applications open for Fall semester and Academic Year Information

M November 2  
Black Solidarity Day - Classes in session [1]

F November 6  
Last day for student elected Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory option Policy and Students elect S/U here

November 9 - January 12  
Spring 2021 RegistrationSchedule of Classes
Nov. 9 Matriculated Graduate Student registration begins
Nov. 16 Matriculated Undergraduate Student registration begins
Nov. 23 Non-matriculated Graduate Student registration begins (REGISTRATION FOR GRADUATE COURSES ONLY)
Jan 12 Non-matriculated, Cross-Registered, and Visiting Undergraduate registration begins

November 23 - December 1  
Student Evaluation of Instruction (SEI) administration

W November 25  
Last day of in-person instruction

W November 25  
Residence halls close

November 26 - November 27  
Thanksgiving Recess - No classes

M November 30  
Synchronous Thursday classes meet remotely [4]

T December 1  
Synchronous Friday classes meet remotely. [5]

T December 1  
Last day for student to submit work due for course graded “I” (incomplete) for Spring and Summer 2020 Incomplete grading policy

T December 1  
Undergraduates: Last day to take a leave of absence or withdraw from College Form

December 2 - December 8  
Final examinations - All final exams will be held remotely

T December 8  
End of Fall 2020 semester
Instructors are asked to avoid the scheduling of examinations on this day and to permit students who will be unable to attend classes to make up assignments missed.

The New York State Education Law, Chapter 161, Section 224 stipulates that: “Any student who is unable, because of religious beliefs, to attend classes on a particular day or days, shall be excused from any examination, study, or work requirements. It shall be the responsibility of the faculty and the administrative officials...to make available to each student...an equivalent opportunity to make up any examination, study, or work requirements which he or she may have missed because of such absence on a particular day or days”. This applies to all religious observances, specified or not specified on the calendar.

Departments can decide that they are exempt from the moratorium.

Arrangements may be made by faculty request to add lecture, lab, or studio classes to a Saturday in lieu of the remote study day substitution days.