

# UNDERGRADUATE CATALOG

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- BS in Recreation and Parks Management: Council on Accreditation of Parks, Recreation, Tourism and Related Professions (COAPRT)
- BA/BS in Social Work: Council on Social Work Education (CSWE)
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# Welcome to Frostburg State University

This catalog is designed to be a road map to your future at Frostburg State University. It will direct you to valuable information regarding the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, the College of Education and the College of Business. It will lead you through our many programs of study, giving details about every course available at the time of publication, and it will guide you to the best opportunities for financial aid. It will give you useful information about our academic policies and procedures. In short, this catalog will provide a description of what we offer, and how you can become a part of Frostburg State University.

Like any map, what it cannot provide is the experience of Frostburg State University. It cannot describe the quality of our faculty and our support personnel. You may note that more than 80 percent of our faculty have Ph.D.'s, but it is important to know that they publish in the most prestigious books and journals in the world, while still giving their full support and attention to their students. They pride themselves on the close and personal connections they form with students. It doesn't tell you that we employ one faculty member for every 16 students and that you will never sit in a lecture hall with hundreds of students. It also cannot express the importance we place on providing support through our Center for Academic Advising and Retention, our Orientation Program or our Learning Connections in which incoming first-year students join a group of students with similar interests, then take several courses with those same students. Enduring friendships are often born of these communities.

This catalog cannot give you a true sense of this beautiful, uncrowded campus in the mountains of Western Maryland, nor can it convey the environment that so many students say enhances both their learning and their development as human beings. These qualities can only be realized from experiencing this campus and allowing us the privilege of providing you an education.

We are glad you have chosen Frostburg and look forward to your becoming an engaged member of our community who will remember mentors, friends, and intellectual challenges when you think of Frostburg State University in years to come.

Dr. Ronald Nowaczyk, President



**Ronald Nowaczyk, Ph.D.**  
President of Frostburg State University

# Academic Calendar 2019-2020

For all deadlines: action must be completed by 4:30 p.m. on the date specified.

## Fall 2019

April 1-19	Fall 2019 Registration Period
August 7	Last Day to Register without Late Fees. Payment must be received in Billing Office
August 8	Late Payment Fee Assessed - All Continuing Students
August 22	Residence Halls open for Non-Registered New Students at 8 a.m.
August 22	Non-Registered Transfers Testing, Advising, and Registration and First-Year Students Testing
August 23	Non-Registered First-Year Students Advising and Registration
August 24	Residence Halls open for registered new students at 9 a.m.
August 25	Residence Hall open for registered returning students at 9 a.m.
August 26	Classes Begin
August 26-30	Drop/Add Period and Late Registration. Late registration fee assessed. (PAWS and Academic Departments)
September 2	Labor Day – Offices Closed, No Classes
September 17	Last Day to File Pass/Fail Form
October 4	Last Day for Grade Changes for Spring 2019 and Summer 2019 (Including Removal of "I" Grades)
October 7	Mid-Semester Warnings Available in PAWS
October 21	Last Day to Register for Six-Week 2 Intensive Online Courses
October 28	First Day of Six-Week 2 Intensive Online Courses
November 1	Last Day to Withdraw from Courses with a "W"
November 26	Residence Halls Close at 7:00 p.m.
November 27-Dec 1	Thanksgiving Recess
December 1	Residence Halls Open at 12 noon
December 2	Classes Resume
December 9	Last Day to Withdraw from Courses with a "WF"
December 9	Last Day of Classes
December 10	Reading Day
December 11-13	Final Exams
December 14	Common Exams
December 16-17	Final Exams
December 17	Residence Halls Close at 7:00 p.m. (students with late finals may request an exception from the RLO)
December 18	Commencement

## Interession 2020

October 28, 2019	Registration Begins
December 4	Interession Payment must be received in Billing Office (Payment is due or enrollment in an approved payment plan)
December 11	Deregistration for Non-Payment Begins
December 18	Cancellation Date for Courses with insufficient enrollment
December 18	Deregistration for Non-Payment Ends; to remove charges, course must be dropped by January 2
January 2, 2020	Classes Begin
January 3	Last Day to Withdraw with a Refund
January 3	Last Day to Add a Course / Last Day to Drop Course without "W"
January 13	Last Day to Drop a Course with a "W"

January 20 M.L. King Holiday – No Classes, Offices Closed

January 24 Last Day of Classes

## Spring 2020

October 28-Nov 15, 2019	Spring 2020 Registration Period
December 18, 2019	Spring Tuition Payment Due – Students ( <i>Payments must be received in the Billing Office</i> )
December 19, 2019	Late Payment Fee Assessed – Undergraduate Continuing Students
January 20	M.L. King Holiday – Offices Closed
January 23	Residence Halls Open for Non-Registered New Students at 8 a.m.
January 23	Testing (New Non-Registered Students Only)
January 24	Advising and Registration (New Non-Registered Students Only)
January 26	Residence Halls Open at 9:00 a.m.
January 27	Classes Begin
January 27-31	Drop/Add Period and Late Registration. Late registration fee assessed. (PAWS and Academic Departments)
February 17	Last Day to File Pass/Fail Form
March 6	Last Day for Grade Changes for Fall 2019 and Interession 2020 ( <i>including removal of incomplete grades</i> )
March 9	Mid-Semester Warnings Available in PAWS
March 13	Residence Halls Close at 7:00 p.m.
March 14-22	Spring Break – No classes
March 22	Residence Halls Open at 12 noon
March 23	Classes Resume
March 25	Last Day to Register for Six-Week 2 Intensive Online Courses
March 30	First Day of Six-Week 2 Intensive Online Courses
April 3	Last Day to Withdraw from Courses with a "W"
May 12	Last Day to Withdraw from Courses with a "WF"
May 12	Last Day of Classes
May 13	Reading Day
May 14-15	Final Exams
May 16	Common Finals
May 18-20	Final Exams
May 20	Residence Halls Close at 7:00 p.m. (students with late finals may request an exception from the RLO)
May 21	Commencement

## Summer 2020

See the Summer Session Schedule Booklet for complete calendar

Calendar subject to change without notice.