



FINANCIAL AID

Spring 2026 Billing and Financial Aid Timeline

January 23rd

Last day to charge books at the Rio Bookstore.

February 6th

Late Payment Fees Begin.

February 17th

First Round of Stipends (previously called "Refunds"), Excluding 1st-time loan borrowers. This group of stipends (previously called "refunds") will exclude students who have never received student loans prior to the Spring 2026 term.

February 27th

Stipends (previously called "Refunds") for 1st-time loan borrowers. First time student loan borrowers will receive their stipends (previously called "refunds"). This group of stipends are for students who have never borrowed a federal loan prior to the Spring 2026 term.

March 16th

2nd 8-week classes begin.

March 17th

Last day to Drop or Withdraw from 2nd 8-week classes with 100% refund. Students who drop or withdraw from a 2nd 8-week class by this date will receive a 100% refund on Tuition and Fees. *An add or drop will be applied for each adjustment to the student's Spring schedule and financial aid may be adjusted.*

December 12th

Bookstore Charges Begin. Students may begin to charge books and supplies at the Rio Bookstore. First Day Access is live.

January 5th

Bills are Due. All Spring 2026 student bills are due.

January 12th

First Day of Spring 2026 semester. Add and Drop Fees begin for each adjustment to the student's Spring schedule. Late Registration Fees begin.

January 16th

Last day to Drop or Withdraw from 16-week and 1st 8-week classes. Students who withdraw from all registered classes by this date will receive a 100% refund on Tuition, Fees, and Housing. Financial aid may be adjusted at this time.

January 23rd

Last day to Opt-Out of First Day Access with the Bookstore. Students that do not Opt-Out of First Day Access by this date will remain opted-in and the charges will remain on your Registration Bill. Please contact the Bookstore at Bookstore@rio.edu for more questions.

January 23rd

Last day to Withdraw from 16-week and 1st 8-week classes with a partial refund. Students who withdraw from all registered classes by this date will receive a 50% refund of Tuition, Fees, and Housing. Financial aid may be adjusted at this time.



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March 20th

Last day to Opt-Out of First Day Access with Bookstore for 2nd 8-week classes. Students that do not Opt-Out of First Day Access for their 2nd 8-week classes by this date will remain opted-in and the charges will remain on your Registration Bill. Please contact the Bookstore at Bookstore@rio.edu for more questions.

March 20th

Last day to Drop or Withdraw from 2nd 8-week classes with 50% refund. Students who drop or withdraw from a 2nd 8-week class by this date will receive a 50% refund on Tuition and Fees. An add or drop fee will be applied for each adjustment to the student's Spring schedule and financial aid may be adjusted.

March 26th

Students who are registered for full 16-week classes can withdraw from all registered classes on or after this date and earn 100% of their financial aid. This means the Financial Aid Office will not have to return funds on the student's behalf for completely withdrawing from all classes. **Each student's financial aid is handled differently, please contact the Financial Aid Office for any questions regarding your account.

April 3rd

Second Round of Stipends (previously called "Refunds") for One Term loan borrowers and 2nd 8-week classes. This group of stipends (previously called "refunds") will include students enrolled in 2nd 8-week classes and for students who received a student loan for only the Spring term.

May 8th

Last day of Spring 2026 semester. All balances must be paid in full to avoid collection procedures.



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