

2025-2026 Master of Product Design and Development Management Course Schedule

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FIRST YEAR STUDENTS - CLASS OF 2027

Quarter/Yr.	Class Time	Catalog No.	Course Title	Credits	Dates
Fall 2025	AM	MPD 400-0	Introduction to Product Design and Development	0.5	Sept. 19, 27, Oct. 3, 11, 17
FIRST YEARS	PM	MPD 450-0	Effective Communication	0.5	Sept. 19, 27, Oct. 3, 11, 17
	AM	MPD 430-0	Sustainability in the Product Development Process	0.5	Oct. 25, 31, Nov. 8, 14, 22
	PM	MPD 442-0	Team Building and Organizational Behavior	0.5	Oct. 25, 31, Nov. 8, 14, 22

Note: There is no class on Nov. 28th & 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday

Winter 2026	AM	MPD 420-0	Accounting Issues for Product Development	0.5	Jan. 9, 17, 23, 31, Feb. 6
FIRST YEARS	PM	MPD 410-0	Understanding through Design	0.5	Jan. 9, 17, 23, 31, Feb. 6
	AM	MPD 424-0	Financial Issues for Product Development	0.5	Feb. 14, 20, 28, March 6, 14
	PM	MPD 444-0	Negotiation/Conflict Resolution	0.5	Feb. 14, 20, 28, March 6, 14

Spring Break: March 16 - 30

Spring 2026	AM	MPD 432-0	Leading with Data Analytics	0.5	April 3, 11, 17, 25, May 1
FIRST YEARS	AM	MPD 408-0	Global Product Design & Supply Chains	0.5	May 9, 15, 23 (remote), 29, June 6
	PM	MPD 445-0	Product Management	1	April 3, 11, 17, 25, May 1, 9, 15, 23 (remote), 29, June 6

SECOND YEAR STUDENTS - CLASS OF 2026

Quarter/Yr.	Class Time	Catalog No.	Course Title	Credits	Dates
Fall 2025	AM	MPD 406-0	Market Research Tools & Methods	0.5	Sept. 20, 26, Oct. 4, 10, 18
SECOND YEARS	PM	MPD 416-0	Customer Driven Opportunities	0.5	Sept. 20, 26, Oct. 4, 10, 18, Oct. 24, Nov. 1, 7, 15, 21
	AM	MPD 458-0	Intellectual Capital Strategy	0.5	Oct. 24, Nov. 1, 7, 15, 21

Note: There is no class on Nov. 28th & 29th for the Thanksgiving holiday

Winter 2026	AM	MPD 402-0	Management of Product Innovation	0.5	Jan. 10, 16, 24, 30, Feb. 7
SECOND YEARS	PM	MPD 403-0	Creativity and Understanding through Design Sprints	1	Jan. 10, 16, 24, 30, Feb. 7, 13, 21, 27, March 7, 13
	AM	MPD 405-0	Agile Management of Software Product Design & Devlpmt	0.5	Feb. 13, 21, 27, March 7, 13

Spring Break: March 16 - 30

Spring 2026	AM	MPD 409-2	Business Model Design	1	April 4, 10, 18, 24, May 2, 8, 16, 22, 30, June 5 (PM class for 6/5)
SECOND YEARS	PM	MPD 401-1	Principles of Marketing	0.5	April 4, 10, 18, 24, May 2
	PM	MPD 449-0	Global Leadership in a Smart and Connected World	0.5	May 8, 16, 22, 30, June 5 (AM class for 6/5)

Capstone Presentations and Reception: Friday, June 5 2026

McCormick Graduation Weekend 2026: Week of June 13th - 15th

CLASS TIMES - DATES & TIMES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Friday AM: 8:30 am-11:30 am

Friday PM: 12:30 pm-3:30 pm

Saturday AM: 9:00 am-12:00 noon

Saturday PM: 1:00 pm-4:00 pm