



ACADEMIC CALENDAR¹

Academic Year 2016 – 2017

Week of Semester	Date	Activity
Before the start of 1 st semester	2016 Mon 5 Sep	Last day for students to apply for postponement of study for the 1 st semester
		Last day for automatic course registration for students for the 1 st semester
FIRST SEMESTER		
Week 1	18 – 21 Sep	Last week for students with study postponement or drop of previous semester to apply for resuming study
	Sun 18 Sep	Full time academic faculty return to work after summer break
		Orientation for new students
	Classes start	
Official Holiday - Saudi National Day (Thu 22 Sep)		
Week 2	25 – 29 Sep	Last week for course schedules modification
Week 3	2 – 6 Oct	
Week 4	9 – 13 Oct	
Week 5	16 – 20 Oct	
	Sun 16 Oct	Colleges report no-show students to DAR to hold stipend
Week 6	23 – 27 Oct	
Week 7	30 Oct – 3 Nov	
Week 8	6 -10 Nov	
Student Break - Mid 1st semester (13 – 19 Nov)		
Week 9	20 – 24 Nov	
Week 10	27 Nov – 1 Dec	
Week 11	4 – 8 Dec	Last week for students to apply for Semester Drop ²
Week 12	11 – 15 Dec	
Week 13	18 – 22 Dec	
Week 14	25 – 29 Dec	Last week to submit to DAR Grade Change Requests for 'IC' grades from previous semester
Week 15	2017 1 – 5 Jan	
Week 16	8 – 12 Jan	Last week for 'In-Progress' students to withdraw from University during the semester ³
	Tue 10 Jan	One-Day access for colleges/programs to report DN and DS grades on SIS ⁴
Week 17	15 – 19 Jan	Final Exams - Up to three-day access after each exam to report grades on SIS ⁵
Week 18	22 – 26 Jan	Final Exams - Up to three-day access after each exam to report grades on SIS ⁵
	Tue 24 Jan	Last day to submit to DAR Record Closure Requests for no-show students
Student Break - Mid Year (29 Jan – 4 Feb)		
1 WK prior to 2nd semester	Wed 1 Feb	Last day for students to apply for postponement of study for the 2 st semester
SECOND SEMESTER		
Week 1	5 – 9 Feb	Last week for students with study postponement or drop of previous semester to apply for resuming study
	Sun 5 Feb	Orientation for new stream II and M.Sc. students
		Classes start

Week 2	12 – 16 Feb	Last week for course schedules modification
	Thu 16 Feb	Last day of Remedial Exams - Up to three-day access after each exam to report grades on SIS
Week 3	19 – 23 Feb	
	Mon 20 Feb	Last day for colleges to submit lists of students graduated by the end of the first semester, 2015 – 2016
Week 4	26 Feb – 2 Mar	
Week 5	5 – 9 Mar	
	Sun 5 Mar	Colleges report no-show students to DAR
Week 6	12 – 16 Mar	
Week 7	19 – 23 Mar	
Week 8	26 – 30 Mar	
Student Break - Mid semester (2 – 8 Apr)		
Week 9	9 – 13 Apr	
Week 10	16 – 20 Apr	Orientation for unified admission students on colleges
Week 11	23 – 27 Apr	Last week for students to apply for Semester Drop ²
Week 12	30 Apr – 4 May	
Week 13	7 – 11 May	Start of online application for unified admission students to colleges
Week 14	14 – 18 May	
Week 15	21 – 25 May	Last week to submit to DAR Grade Change Requests for 'IC' grades from previous semester
Week 16	28 May – 1 Jun	Last week for 'In-Progress' students to withdraw from University during the semester ³
	Tue 30 May	One-day access for colleges/programs to report DN and DS grades on SIS ⁴
Week 17	4 – 8 Jun	Final Exams - Up to three-day access after each exam to report grades on SIS ⁵
Week 18	11 – 15 Jun	Final Exams - Up to three-day access after each exam to report grades on SIS ⁵
Student Break – Summer (18 Jun - 9 Sep)		
1st Wk after Exams	18 – 22 Jun	Eid Al Fitr Official Holiday starts this week
	Tue 20 Jun	Online application for unified admission students to colleges ENDS at midnight (12:00 am)
2nd Wk after Exams	25 – 29 Jun	Eid Al Fitr Official Holiday
3rd Wk after Exams	2 – 6 Jul	
4th Wk after Exams	9 – 13 Jul	
	Tue 11 Jul	Last day for colleges to submit lists of students graduated by the end of the second semester, 2015 – 2016
	Thu 13 Jul	Last day of Remedial Exams - Up to three-day access after each exam to report grades on SIS
START OF ACADEMIC YEAR 2017 – 2018 (10 Sep 2017)		
1 Subject to minor changes 2 Block System Programs: must be submitted before the start of the final exams of the first block of the semester 3 Block system students are not allowed to withdraw from university on the day of a block exam or the following three working days 4 Three days prior to the final exam of any block for programs applying the block system 5 Similar access applies on block final exams during regular semester weeks		