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January 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
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February 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28

March 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
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April 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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May 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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June 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30				

July 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

August 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

September 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

October 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

November 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

December 2027

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

	Classes
	University recess
	1st examination opportunity
	2nd examination opportunity
x	Distance learning examination
	Assessment
	Inter-campus sports day
	Interchanges of days
	University opens and close

School terms

2027-01-13 to 2027-03-19

2027-04-06 to 2027-06-25

2027-07-20 to 2027-09-22

2027-10-05 to 2027-12-08

Notes:
1. Semester 1 has 12 full cycles
2. Semester 2 has 12 full cycles
3. Exam cycles for both semesters have 18 days excluding weekends
4. Both semesters have second exam of 10 days
5. Both semesters have a test series of 9 days

Red Text — Schools open or close

Public and School holidays 2027

01 January 2027	New Year's Day
21 March 2027	Human Rights Day
22 March 2027	Public holiday
26 March 2027	Good Friday
29 March 2027	Family Day
26 April 2027	Special School holiday
27 April 2027	Freedom Day
01 May 2027	Worker's Day
16 June 2027	Youth Day
09 August 2027	Women's Day
24 September 2027	Heritage Day
16 December 2027	Day of Reconciliation
25 December 2027	Christmas Day
26 December 2027	Day of Goodwill
27 December 2027	Public holiday

Recess - overlap with school holiday		
1 week	March	Yes
2 weeks	June/July	Yes
1 week	September	Yes
3 weeks	December	Yes

1st semester 60 class days	
12	Mondays
12	Tuesdays
12	Wednesdays
12	Thursdays
12	Fridays
9	days tests
18	days first exam
10	days second exam

2nd semester: 60 class days	
12	Mondays
12	Tuesdays
12	Wednesdays
12	Thursdays
12	Fridays
9	days tests
18	days first exam
10	days second exam
1	day interchange

2027 Draft framework for academic calendar

Semester 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
February	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8 **M1**	9 **TU1**	10 **W1**	11 **TH1**	12 **F1**	13	14
	15 **M2**	16 **TU2**	17 **W2**	18 **TH2**	19 **F2**	20	21
	22 **M3**	23 **TU3**	24 **W3**	25 **TH3**	26 **F3**	27	28

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
March	1 **M4**	2 **TU4**	3 **W4**	4 **TH4**	5 **F4**	6	7
	8 **M5**	9 **TU5**	10 **W5**	11 **TH5**	12 **F5**	13	14
	15 **M6**	16 **TU6**	17 **W6**	18 **TH6**	19 **F6**	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30	31				

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
April				1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12 **M7**	13 **TU7**	14 **W7**	15 **TH7**	16 **F7**	17	18
	19 **M8**	20 **TU8**	21 **W8**	22 **TH8**	23 **F8**	24	25
	26	27	28 **W9**	29 **TH9**	30 **F9**		

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
May						1	2
	3 **M9**	4 **TU9**	5 **W10**	6 **TH10**	7 **F10**	8	9
	10 **M10**	11 **TU10**	12 **W11**	13 **TH11**	14 **F11**	15	16
	17 **M11**	18 **TU11**	19 **W12**	20 **TH12**	21 **F12**	22	23
	24 **M12**	25 **TU12**	26	27	28	29	30
	31						

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
June							
		1	2	3	4	5	6
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28	29	30				

1st semester 60 class days

12 Mondays

12 Tuesdays

12 Wednesdays

12 Thursdays

12 Fridays

9 days tests

18 days first exam

10 days second exam

3 days recess overlaps with school holidays

2027 Draft Framework for academic calendar

Semester 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
July				1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15 **TH1**	16 **F1**	17	18
	19 **M1**	20 **TU1**	21 **W1**	22 **TH2**	23 **F2**	24	25
	26 **M2**	27 **TU2**	28 **W2**	29 **TH3**	30 **F3**	31	

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
August							1
	2 **M3**	3 **TU3**	4 **W3**	5 **TH4**	6 **F4**	7	8
	9	10 **TU4**	11 **W4**	12 **TH5**	13 **F5**	14	15
	16 **M4**	17 **TU5**	18 **W5**	19 **TH6**	20 **F6**	21	22
	23 **M5**	24 **TU6**	25 **W6**	26 **TH7**	27 **F7**	28	29
	30 **M6**	31					

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
September			1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13 **M7**	14 **TU7**	15 **W7**	16 **TH8**	17 **F8**	18	19
	20 **M8**	21 **TU8**	22 **W8**	23 **TH9**	24	25	26
	27	28	29	30			

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
October					1	2	3
	4 **M9**	5 **TU9**	6 **W9**	7 **TH10**	8 **F9**	9	10
	11 **M10**	12 **TU10**	13 **W10**	14 **TH11**	15 **F10**	16	17
	18 **M11**	19 **TU11**	20 **W11**	21 **TH12**	22 **F11**	23	24
	25 **M12**	26 **TU12**	27 **W12**	28 **F12**	29	30	31

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
November	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30					

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
December			1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	20	21	22	23	24 NWU closes	25	26
	27	28	29	30	31		

2nd semester: 60 class days

12 Mondays
12 Tuesdays
12 Wednesdays
12 Thursdays
12 Fridays
9 days tests
18 days first exam
10 days second exam
6 days distance learning examination
13 recess days overlap with school holidays
1 interchange of days