



Academic calendar 2024-2025

	Day	Date	Event
Fall semester (2024)	Mon-Fri	Aug 12-16	Students' Onboarding and Orientation Program
	Mon-Fri	Aug 12-Sep 6	Supervisors' selection process
	Mon	Aug 19	First day of classes
	Fri	Aug 23	Last day to add/drop courses
	Fri	Aug 30	Last day to apply for Course Withdrawal/Leave of Absence without penalty
	Thu	Oct 24	Spring 2021 cohort-PhD students/final deadline for thesis submission
	Thu	Nov 07	Spring 2023 Cohort-PhD students/deadline to sit for the Candidacy (Oral) Exam
	Mon	Nov 11	Publish the Spring 2025 Class Schedule
	Mon-Fri	Nov 18-22	Early Registration for Spring 2025 Semester
	Fri	Nov 29	Last day of Classes
	Wed-Fri	Dec 4-6	Final exams preparation period
	Sun - Wed	Dec 8-11	Final exams period
	Fri	Dec 13	Student 360 – All Faculty meeting
	Mon	Dec 16	Faculty to submit grades
	Thu	Dec 19	Grades announcement
	Tue	Dec 24	Students' deadline to submit grade appeals
Winter break	Thu - Fri	Dec 12, 2024–Jan 3, 2025	Winter Break for students
	Tue - Fri	Dec 17, 2024–Dec 31, 2024	Winter break for faculty

The official holidays observed by the University during the Fall 2024 Semester:

Occasion	Date	Holiday duration
Prophet Mohammed Birthday Commemoration Day	Sun, Sep 15, 2024	One day
UAE National Day	Sun, Dec 1, 2024	One day
	Mon-Tue Dec 2, 3, 2024	Two days



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Spring semester (2025)	Day	Date	Event
	Mon	Jan 6	First day of classes
	Fri	Jan 10	Last day to add/drop courses
	Fri	Jan 17	Last day to apply for Course Withdrawal/ Leave of Absence without penalty
	Mon-Wed	Jan 20–Apr 30	Fall 2023 cohort- MSc students/application for PhD articulation
	Wed	Apr 2	Fall 2021 Cohort-PhD students/final deadline for thesis submission
	Wed	Apr 2	Fall 2023 cohort-MSc students/ final deadline for thesis submission

Spring break	Day	Date	Event
	Mon–Fri	Mar 24–28	Spring Break for Students / Faculty

Spring semester continues (2025)	Day	Date	Event
	Tue	Apr 8	Fall 2023 Cohort-PhD students/deadline to sit for the Candidacy (Oral) Exam
	Mon	Apr 14	Publish the Fall 2025 Class Schedule
	Mon–Fri	Apr 21–25	Early Registration for Fall 2025 Semester
	Wed	Apr 30	Last day of Classes
	Thu–Fri	May 1–2	Final exams preparation period
	Mon–Thu	May 5–8	Final exams period
	Fri	May 9	Student 360 – All Faculty meeting
	Tue	May 13	Faculty to submit grades
	Fri	May 16	Grades announcement
	Wed	May 21	Students’ deadline to submit grade appeals
	Thu	May 22	Qualifying Exam for PhD students - 1st attempt
	Thu	Jun 5	Qualifying Exam for PhD students - 2nd attempt

Summer break	Day	Date	Event
	Fri	May 9	Start of summer vacation for students
	Wed	May 14	Start of summer vacation for faculty

The official holidays observed by the university during the spring 2025 semester:

Occasion	Date	Holiday duration
Eid Al Fitr Holiday	Sat, Mar 29–Tue, Apr 1	Four days