



University Calendar for First-Year Students

Academic Year 2026 - 2027

Pursuant to the letter of the Ministry of Higher Education and Scientific Research / Studies, Planning and Follow-up Directorate – Planning and Studies Department
No. 1506-116478 dated 29/9/2026

This calendar applies to **first-year students only**. Students of the years above the first follow the university calendar issued by the Ministry letter No. 1506-79713 dated 21/7/2026.

Academic-year dates	Day	Date	Duration	Notes
First semester – start and end Including the first-semester and mid-year examinations, for all study systems	Sunday	15/11/2026 - 4/3/2027	16 weeks	Including examinations; any remaining time is made up through additional lectures if needed
Spring break – start and end	Sunday	7/3/2027 - 13/3/2027	One week	–
Second semester – start and end Including the second-semester and final examinations, for all study systems	Sunday	14/3/2027 - 30/6/2027	16 weeks	Including examinations; any remaining time is made up through additional lectures if needed
Second-round examinations	Wednesday	1/9/2027	–	–

General notes

- ◆ Department councils may recommend advancing or delaying examination dates, wherever they occur, by one week, subject to the approval of the College/Institute Council.
- ◆ The Eid al-Fitr and Eid al-Adha holidays and other official holidays and occasions shall be observed if they fall on examination days.
- ◆ Student registration for courses shall take place within the period stated in the guides specific to each system, in addition to the circulars issued by the Directorate in this regard.

This table is a re-typeset rendering of the ministerial calendar for display and publication; the ministerial letter referred to above is the officially approved version.