



## UNIVERSITY OF THE WESTERN CAPE CALENDAR 2026

120 teaching days, S1 study break and winter vacation aligned with school holidays. S2 study break not aligned to school holidays. Accounts for late publication of Grade 12 results.

SEMESTER 1		
<b>TERM 1</b>	09 February – 27 March	35 days (excluding weekends and 0x public holiday)
Break	28 March – 06 April	10 days (including weekends and 2x public holiday)
<b>TERM 2</b>	07 April – 13 May	25 days (excluding weekends and 2x public holidays)
Mid-year Final Assessments	19 – 03 June	12 days (excluding weekends)
Mid-year Supplementary Assessments	17 -26 June	8 days (excluding weekends and 1 Public Holiday)
Mid-year vacation	*04 July - 19 July	16 days (including weekends and 0x public holiday)
Senate Discretionary Assessments	22-24 July	3 days (can be extended if needed)
<b>Includes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 5 days study break (including weekend): 14-18 May</li> <li>▪ 1 week to capture marks and issue Supplementary Assessment notices after Final Assessments</li> <li>▪ 1 week to capture marks and upload to MAS and SASI after Supplementary Assessments</li> <li>▪ Promotions: TBC</li> <li>▪ Publication of results: TBC</li> <li>▪ Second semester registration and Module Amendments: 13-16 July</li> </ul>		
SEMESTER 2		
<b>TERM 3</b>	20 July – 28 August	29 days (excluding weekends and 1x public holiday)
Break	29 August – 06 September	09 days (including weekends)
<b>TERM 4</b>	07 September – 20 October	31 days (excluding weekends and 1x public holiday)
Year-End Assessments	27 October – 11 November	12 days (excluding weekends)
Year-End Supplementary Assessments	23 November – 02 December	8 days (excluding weekend)

\*Mid-year and end-of-year vacation for students begins after last day of supplementary assessments



Senate Discretionary Assessments	January 2027	3 days
<b>Includes:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 6 days study break (including weekend): 21 - 26 October</li> <li>▪ 1 week to capture marks and issue Supplementary Assessment notices after Year-End Assessments</li> <li>▪ 1 week to capture marks and upload to MAS and SASI after Year-End Supplementary Assessments.</li> <li>▪ Promotions: 03 - 15 December</li> <li>▪ Publication of results: 18 December</li> </ul>		
<b>2027 ACADEMIC YEAR</b>		
Start of Academic year	01 February (TBC)	

**SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 2026**

- 30 March – 07 April
- 29 June – 20 July
- 05 – 12 October

\*Mid-year and end-of-year vacation for students begins after last day of supplementary assessments