



## 2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR AND SESSIONAL DATES

### University Semesters: 2026

UNIVERSITY RESUMES FOR 2026 ACADEMIC YEAR	:	05 January 2026	- 17 July 2026
AUTUMN RECESS (for students)	:	30 March 2026	- 02 April 2026 **
WINTER RECESS (for students)	:	08 July 2026	- 17 July 2026 **
SECOND SEMESTER	:	20 July 2026	- 15 December 2026
END OF SEMESTER 2 AND ALL ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES	:	15 December 2026	- 04 January 2027
THE UNIVERSITY GOES ON A RECESS	:	23 December 2026	- 04 January 2027

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### Validity

This Calendar is valid for the 2026 academic and financial year. The University reserves the right to amend any date, time, rule, policy or provision in this Calendar at any time without prior notice. No responsibility is accepted for possible inaccuracies.

#### Please note:

The Senate-approved recess dates are subject to clinical rotation dates that are supported by the relevant Schools in line with the School timetable for each programme. Where there is a contradiction between the Senate-approved dates and School dates for recess for clinical students, the School dates will take precedence.

## SESSIONAL/IMPORTANT DATES: 2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

(Please note that dates may change should the need arise)

JANUARY 2026			Time
Thursday	1	<b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b>	
Friday	2		
<b>Saturday</b>	3		
<b>Sunday</b>	4		
Monday	5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>University resumes for 2026 academic year.</b></li> <li>Registration commences for all returning Undergraduate &amp; Postgraduate students.</li> <li>Submission of academic exclusion appeals by 2025 registered students commences</li> </ul>	
Tuesday	6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Commencement of the 2026 academic year for returning students:</b> Lectures, clinical sessions, practicum sessions commence for registered returning students.</li> <li><b>Academic staff returns.</b></li> </ul>	
Wednesday	7		
Thursday	8		
Friday	9		
<b>Saturday</b>	10		
<b>Sunday</b>	11		
Monday	12	<b>Closing Date:</b> Academic Exclusions Appeals for 2025 academic year	
Tuesday	13		
Wednesday	14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>School Selection Committee Meeting for FTEN students:</b> School of Health Care Sciences</li> <li><b>School Selection Committee Meeting for FTEN and transfer students:</b> School of Pharmacy</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b> <b>14h00</b>
Thursday	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>School Selection Committee Meeting for FTEN and transfer students:</b> School of Medicine</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>School Selection Committee Meeting for FTEN students:</b> School of Dentistry</li> <li><b>School Selection Committee Meeting for FTEN students:</b> School of Science and Technology</li> <li><b>Last Day:</b> Registration for all returning Undergraduate &amp; Postgraduate students.</li> <li><b>Special Summative Assessment</b> for Undergraduate, Honours and Postgraduate Diploma</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b> <b>14h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	17		
<b>Sunday</b>	18		
Monday	19	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lectures and practicum sessions commence for BSc II, III, BSC ECP II, III &amp; IV students</li> </ul>	
Wednesday	21	<b>Registration commences for 2026 First year students</b> <b>Meeting:</b> School Academic Exclusions Committee: Medicine <b>Meeting:</b> School Academic Exclusions Committee: Dentistry	<b>08h30</b> <b>14h00</b>
Thursday	22	<b>Meeting:</b> School Academic Exclusions Committee: Health Care Sciences <b>Meeting:</b> School Academic Exclusions Committee: Pharmacy	<b>08h30</b> <b>14h00</b>
Friday	23	<b>Meeting:</b> School Academic Exclusions Committee: Science and Technology	<b>08h30</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	24		

<b>Sunday</b>	25		
Monday	26		
Tuesday	27	<b>Orientation for all First Time Entering students commences</b>	
Wednesday	28	<b>Orientation for all First Time Entering students commences</b>	
Thursday	29	<b>Orientation for all First Time Entering students commences</b> <b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC <b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Planning Committee	<b>09h00</b> <b>09h00</b>
Friday	30	<b>Registration closes for 2026 First year students</b> <b>Orientation for all First Time Entering students ends</b> <b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of the Senate	<b>09h00</b>
Saturday	31		

<b>FEBRUARY 2026</b>				<b>Time</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	1			
Monday	2	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Exclusions Appeals Committee</li> <li>• <b>Commencement of 2026 academic year for First Time Entering students</b></li> <li>• Opening of late registration for all undergraduate and postgraduate students</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b> <b>13h00</b>	
Tuesday	3	<b>Meeting:</b> Student Affairs Committee of the Council	<b>09h00</b>	
Wednesday	4	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Community Engagement Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
Thursday	5	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate	<b>09h00</b>	
Friday	6	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Exclusions Appeals Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	7			
<b>Sunday</b>	8			
Monday	9	<b>Meeting:</b> Senior Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
Tuesday	10	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Teaching and Learning Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
Wednesday	11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Exclusions Appeals Committee</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b>	
Thursday	12	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Rules Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
Friday	13	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Research, Ethics and Postgraduate Studies Committee <b>Closing date:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Late registration for all undergraduate and postgraduate students</li> <li>➤ Changing of courses and/or modules</li> <li>➤ Submission of applications for exemption from courses or modules</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	14			
<b>Sunday</b>	15			
Monday	16	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
Tuesday	17	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Information and Communication Technology Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
Wednesday	18	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Library Committee	<b>09h00</b>	
Thursday	19	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Committee on Student Life and Wellness	<b>09h00</b>	
Friday	20			
<b>Saturday</b>	21			
<b>Sunday</b>	22			
Monday	23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supervisors Workshop</li> </ul> <b>Meeting:</b> IT Governance Committee of the Council	<b>09h00</b>	
Tuesday	24	<b>Meeting:</b> Audit and Risk Committee of the Council		
Wednesday	25	<b>Meeting:</b> Planning and Resources Committee of the Council		
Thursday	26	<b>Meeting:</b> Human Resources Committee of Council	<b>09h00</b>	

		<b>Meeting:</b> Membership Committee of Council • Postgraduate Induction	<b>14h00 09h00</b>
Friday	27	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	28		

<b>MARCH 2026</b>				<b>Time</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	1			
Monday	2	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee • Research Methodology (REME) course commences		<b>09H00 09h00</b>
Tuesday	3	<b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of Senate		<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	4			
Thursday	5	<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC		<b>09h00</b>
Friday	6	<b>Meeting:</b> Internationalisation Committee of Senate		<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	7			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8</b>			
Monday	9	<b>Meeting:</b> Honorary Degrees Committee		<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	10	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate		<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	11	<b>Meeting:</b> Institutional Forum		<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	12	<b>Meeting:</b> Finance and Investment Committee of the Council		<b>09h00</b>
Friday	13			
<b>Saturday</b>	14			
<b>Sunday</b>	15			
Monday	16	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee <b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Medicine		<b>09h00 09h00</b>
Tuesday	17	<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Science and Technology		<b>09h00 09h00</b>
Wednesday	18	<b>Meeting:</b> Board: - School of Dentistry <b>Meeting:</b> Board: School of Pharmacy		<b>09h00 14h00</b>
Thursday	19	<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Health Care Sciences		<b>09h00</b>
Friday	20	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate		<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	21	<b>HUMAN RIGHTS DAY</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	22			
Monday	23			
Tuesday	24	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Council		<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	25	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Teaching and Learning Committee		<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	26	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Planning Committee		<b>09h00</b>
Friday	27			
<b>Saturday</b>	28			
<b>Sunday</b>	29			
Monday	30	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee AUTUMN Recess for students starts <b>NB:</b> The Senate approved recess dates are subject to clinical rotation dates as approved by the relevant Schools, in line with the School approved timetable for each of the programme. Where there is a contradiction between the Senate approved dates and School dates for recess for clinical students, the School dates will take precedence. • Last day for submission of name lists for Graduation Ceremonies <b>Closing date:</b> Submission of all combined reports from supervisors to the Postgraduate Studies Office for review and recommendation by the Postgraduate Committee, and subsequent approval of eligible candidates by the Executive Committee of Senate for the May Graduation Ceremonies.		<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	31	<b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of the Senate		<b>09h00</b>

APRIL 2026			Time
Wednesday	1	<b>Applications for admission for the 2027 academic year open</b>	
Thursday	2	<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC <b>Meeting:</b> Council AUTUMN Recess for students ends	09h00 09h00
<b>Friday</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: GOOD FRIDAY</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5</b>		
Monday	6	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: FAMILY DAY</b>	
Tuesday	7	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	09h00
Wednesday	8	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Information and Communication Technology Committee	09h00
Thursday	9	<b>Meeting:</b> Membership Committee of the Council	09h00
Friday	10	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Community Engagement Committee	09h00
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12</b>		
Monday	13	<b>Meeting:</b> Senior Management Committee	08h30
Tuesday	14	<b>Meeting:</b> Remuneration Committee of the Council	09h00
Wednesday	15	<b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of Senate	09h00
Thursday	16	<b>Meeting:</b> Naming and Renaming of Buildings, Facilities and Academic Entities Committee	09h00
Friday	17		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>18</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>19</b>		
Monday	20		
Tuesday	21	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	09h00
Wednesday	22	<b>Meeting:</b> Student Affairs Committee of the Council	09h00
Thursday	23		
Friday	24	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Committee on Student Life and Wellness	09h00
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>25</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>26</b>		
Monday	<b>27</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: FREEDOM DAY</b>	
Tuesday	<b>28</b>		
Wednesday	<b>29</b>		
Thursday	<b>30</b>	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Library Committee	09h00

MAY 2026			Time
<b>Friday</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: WORKERS' DAY</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>2</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>3</b>		
Monday	4	<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC <b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate	09h00 09h00
Tuesday	5	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Rules Committee	09h00
Wednesday	6	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Research, Ethics and Postgraduate Studies Committee	09h00
Thursday	7	<b>Open Day</b> <b>Meeting:</b> Institutional Forum	09h00
Friday	8		

<b>Saturday</b>	9			
<b>Sunday</b>	10			
Monday	11		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	12		<b>Meeting:</b> Finance and Investment Committee of the Council	<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	13		• Graduation Ceremony	
Thursday	14		• Graduation Ceremony	
Friday	15		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Graduation Ceremony</li> </ul> <p><b>Closing date:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cancellation of courses and/or modules</li> <li>Exemption from attending a course or module</li> <li>Interruption of studies for 2026 academic year</li> <li><b>Africa Day Celebration</b></li> </ul>	<b>12h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	16			
<b>Sunday</b>	17			
Monday	18			
Tuesday	19		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate	<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	20		<b>Meeting:</b> ICT Governance Committee of Council	<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	21		<b>Meeting:</b> Audit and Risk Committee of the Council	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	22		• Publication of year-marks for end-of-year examinations	
<b>Saturday</b>	23			
<b>Sunday</b>	24			
Monday	25		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
			Revision week commences	
Tuesday	26			<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	27		<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Pharmacy <b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Science and Technology	<b>09h00</b> <b>14h00</b>
Thursday	28		<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Medicine	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	29		<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Health Care Sciences <b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Dentistry Revision week ends.	<b>09h00</b> <b>14h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	30			
<b>Sunday</b>	31			

<b>JUNE 2026</b>				<b>Time</b>
Monday	1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mid-year examinations commence</li> </ul> <p><b>NB</b> The dates of the mid-year examinations notwithstanding, Schools are allowed to exercise their right to arrange clinical examinations prior to the commencement of examinations as contemplated in the Calendar.</p>	
Tuesday	2		<b>Meeting:</b> Remuneration Committee of Council <b>Meeting:</b> Membership Committee of Council	<b>09h00</b> <b>14h00</b>
Wednesday	3			
Thursday	4		<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	5		<b>Meeting:</b> Senate	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>7</b>			
Monday	8		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	9		<b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of Senate	<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	10			
Thursday	11		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Council	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	12		<b>Meeting:</b> Human Resources Committee of the Council	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>13</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14</b>			
Monday	15		<b>UNIVERSITY HOLIDAY</b>	

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: YOUTH DAY</b>	
Wednesday	17	<b>Meeting:</b> Senior Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	18	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Committee on Student Life and Wellness	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mid-year examinations end</li> <li>Research Methodology (REME) course ends</li> </ul>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>20</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>21</b>		
Monday	22	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	23	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Teaching and Learning Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	24	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Planning Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	25		
Friday	26	<b>Meeting:</b> Council Research Methodology (REME) examination	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>27</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>28</b>		
Monday	29	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Convocation Mid-year supplementary examinations commence	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	30	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Information and Communication Technology Committee	<b>09h00</b>

<b>JULY 2026</b>			<b>Time</b>
Wednesday	1		
Thursday	2	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Library Committee <b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC	<b>09h00</b> <b>14h00</b>
Friday	3	<b>Meeting:</b> Honorary Degrees Committee	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>4</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5</b>		
Monday	6	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	7	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Community Engagement Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mid-year supplementary examinations end</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	8	<b>Meeting:</b> Student Affairs Committee of the Council <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winter recess for students starts</li> </ul> <b>NB</b> The Senate approved recess dates are subject to clinical rotation dates as approved by the relevant Schools, in line with the School approved timetable for each of the programme. Where there is a contradiction between the Senate approved dates and School dates for recess for clinical students, the School dates will take precedence.	
Thursday	9		
Friday	10		
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>11</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>12</b>		
Monday	13		
Tuesday	14		
Wednesday	15		
Thursday	16	<b>Meeting:</b> School Examinations Commissions	<b>09h00</b> <b>09h00</b> <b>09h00</b> <b>09h00</b> <b>09h00</b>
Friday	17	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Closing date for the VC's Research Excellence Awards</li> <li>Closing date for the VC's Teaching Excellence Awards</li> </ul> <b>Winter recess for students ends</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Release of mid-year examination results</li> </ul>	<b>09h00</b>

<b>END OF FIRST SEMESTER</b>			
<b>Saturday</b>	18		
<b>Sunday</b>	19		
Monday	20	<b>SECOND SEMESTER COMMENCES</b>	
		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	21	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Rules Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	22	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Research, Ethics and Postgraduate Studies Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	23	<b>Meeting:</b> Internationalisation Committee of Senate	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	24	<b>Meeting:</b> Planning and resources Committee of the Council	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	25		
<b>Sunday</b>	26		
Monday	27	<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Health Care Sciences	<b>09h00</b>
		<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Dentistry	<b>13h00</b>
Tuesday	28	<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Pharmacy	<b>09h00</b>
		<b>Meeting:</b> Board - School of Science and Technology	<b>13h00</b>
Wednesday	29	<b>Meeting:</b> Board – School of Medicine	<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	30	<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	31	<b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of Senate <b>Closing date</b> for the submission of the <b>2027</b> applications for all undergraduate qualifications including MSc Clinical Psychology only.	<b>09h00</b>

<b>AUGUST 2026</b>				<b>Time</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	1			
<b>Sunday</b>	2			
Monday	3	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Special Summative Assessment</b> for undergraduate, honours and postgraduate diploma) commence</li> <li>Last day for submission of name lists for Graduation Ceremonies</li> <li><b>Closing date:</b> Submission of all combined reports from supervisors to the Postgraduate Studies Office for review and recommendation by the Postgraduate Committee, and subsequent approval of eligible candidates by the Executive Committee of Senate for the September Graduation Ceremony.</li> </ul>		<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	4	<b>Meeting:</b> ICT Governance Committee of Council		<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	5	<b>Meeting:</b> Membership Committee of the Council		<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	6	<b>Meeting:</b> Naming and Renaming of Buildings, Facilities and Academic Entities Committee		<b>09h00</b>
<b>Friday</b>	7	<b>Meeting:</b> Remuneration Committee of Council		<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	8			
<b>Sunday</b>	9	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: WOMEN'S DAY</b>		
<b>Monday</b>	10	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>		
Tuesday	11	<b>Meeting:</b> Senior Management Committee		<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	12	<b>Meeting:</b> Institutional Forum		<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	13			
Friday	14	<b>Meeting:</b> Audit and Risk Committee of the Council		<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	15			
<b>Sunday</b>	16			
Monday	17	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee		<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	18	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate		<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SMU Research Day</li> <li><b>Meeting:</b> Student Affairs Committee of Council</li> </ul>		<b>09h00</b> <b>09h00</b>

Thursday	20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SMU Research Day</li> </ul> <p><b>Meeting:</b> Finance and Investment Committee of Council</p>	09h00
Friday	21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SMU Research Day</li> </ul>	09h00
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>22</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>23</b>		
Monday	24		
Tuesday	25		
Wednesday	26		
Thursday	27	<b>Meeting: Senate</b>	09h00
Friday	28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Closing date for submission of first time postgraduate applications for 2026 (<b>Excluding Masters by Research and Doctorates registering for the first time</b>)</li> </ul>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>29</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>30</b>		
Monday	31	<b>Meeting: Executive Management Committee</b>	09h00

SEPTEMBER 2026			Time
Tuesday	1	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of the Council	09h00
Wednesday	2	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Committee on Student Life and Wellness	09h00
Thursday	3	<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC <b>Council Strategic Planning Session</b>	09h00 09h00
Friday	4	<b>Council Strategic Planning Session</b>	09h00
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6</b>		
Monday	7	<b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of Senate	09h00
Tuesday	8		
Wednesday	9		
Thursday	10	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Academic Planning Committee	09h00
Friday	11	<b>Meeting:</b> Human Resources Committee of Council	09h00
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>12</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13</b>		
Monday	14	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	09h00
Tuesday	15	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Teaching and Learning Committee	09h00
Wednesday	16	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Research, Ethics and Postgraduate Studies Committee	09h00
Thursday	17	<b>Meeting:</b> Student Affairs Committee of Council	10h00
Friday	18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Graduation Ceremony</li> </ul>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>19</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>20</b>		
Monday	21	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Information and Communication Technology Committee	09h00
Tuesday	22	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate-Rules Committee	09h00
Wednesday	23	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Library Committee	09h00
Thursday	24	<b>NATIONAL HOLIDAY: HERITAGE DAY</b>	
Friday	25	<b>UNIVERSITY HOLIDAY</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>26</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27</b>		
Monday	28	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	09h00
Tuesday	29	<b>Meeting: Council</b>	09h00
Wednesday	30	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Community Engagement Committee Publication of year-marks for end-of-year examinations	09h00

OCTOBER 2026				Time
Thursday	1	<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC		09h00
Friday	2	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Senate		09h00
<b>Saturday</b>	3			
<b>Sunday</b>	4			
Monday	5	<b>Meeting:</b> Senior Management Committee Revision Week Commences		09h00
Tuesday	6	<b>Meeting:</b> ICT Governance Committee of the Council		09h00
Wednesday	7			
Thursday	8	<b>Meeting:</b> Planning and Resources Committee of the Council		09h00
Friday	9	Revision Week ends.		
<b>Saturday</b>	10			
<b>Sunday</b>	11			
Monday	12	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee • End-of-year standard examinations commence <b>NB</b> The dates of the mid-year and end of year examinations notwithstanding, Schools are allowed to exercise their right to arrange clinical examinations prior to the commencement of examinations as contemplated in the Calendar.		09h00
Tuesday	13	<b>Meeting:</b> Postgraduate Committee of Senate		09h00
Wednesday	14			
Thursday	15			
Friday	16			
<b>Saturday</b>	17			
<b>Sunday</b>	18			
Monday	19			
Tuesday	20			
Wednesday	21	<b>Meeting:</b> Senate Rules Committee		09h00
Thursday	22	<b>Meeting:</b> Audit and Risk Committee of Council		09h00
Friday	23			
<b>Saturday</b>	24			
<b>Sunday</b>	25			
Monday	26	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee		09h00
Tuesday	27			
Wednesday	28			
Thursday	29	<b>Meeting:</b> Finance and Investment Committee of the Council		09h00
Friday	30			
<b>Saturday</b>	31			

NOVEMBER 2026				Time
<b>Sunday</b>	1			
Monday	2	Meeting: Executive Committee of Senate		09h00
Tuesday	3			
Wednesday	4	<b>Meeting:</b> Institutional Forum		09h00
Thursday	5	<b>Meeting:</b> SMUREC		09h00
Friday	6	End-of-year standard examinations end		
<b>Saturday</b>	7			
<b>Sunday</b>	8			
Monday	9	<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee		09h00

Tuesday	10			
Wednesday	11		<b>Meeting:</b> Human Resources Committee of Council	<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	12		• International Partners Symposium	<b>09h00</b>
Friday	13		<b>Meeting: Senate</b>	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>14</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>15</b>			
Monday	16		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Committee of Council <b>Supplementary / deferred examinations commence</b>	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	17		Meeting: School Examinations Commissions (Standard Examinations)	<b>09h00</b>
Wednesday	18			
Thursday	19			
Friday	20			
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>21</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>22</b>			
Monday	23		<b>Meeting:</b> Executive Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	24		<b>Supplementary / deferred examinations end</b>	
Wednesday	25			
Thursday	26		Closing date for Masters by Research and Doctoral registration (first time students) <b>Meeting: Council</b>	
Friday	27		• Vice-Chancellor's Awards Ceremony (Teaching and Learning, Research; Support and Administrative Staff)	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>28</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>29</b>			
Monday	30			

<b>DECEMBER 2026</b>				<b>Time</b>
Tuesday	1			
Wednesday	2		<b>Meeting:</b> Senior Management Committee	<b>09h00</b>
Thursday	3			
Friday	4		Vice-Chancellor's Students Excellence Awards	<b>18h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>5</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>6</b>			
Monday	7		Meeting: Executive Committee of Senate (Approval of Examination Results)	<b>09h00</b>
Tuesday	8		• Release of year-end examination results	
Wednesday	9			
Thursday	10		• Oath-taking Ceremony: School of Pharmacy • Oath-taking Ceremony: School of Health Care Sciences	<b>09h00 09h00</b>
Friday	11		• Oath-taking Ceremony: School of Dentistry	<b>09h00</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>12</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>13</b>			
Monday	14			
Tuesday	15		• <b>END OF SEMESTER 2 AND ALL ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES</b>	
Wednesday	16		<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: DAY OF RECONCILIATION</b>	
Thursday	17			
Friday	18			
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>19</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>20</b>			

Monday	<b>21</b>		
Tuesday	<b>22</b>		
Wednesday	<b>23</b>	<b>THE UNIVERSITY GOES ON A RECESS</b>	
Thursday	<b>24</b>		
Friday	<b>25</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY: DAY OF GOODWILL</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27</b>		
Monday	<b>28</b>		
Tuesday	<b>29</b>		
Wednesday	<b>30</b>		
Thursday	<b>31</b>		

			<b>JANUARY 2027</b>	
Friday	<b>1</b>		<b>NEW YEAR'S DAY</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>2</b>			
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>3</b>			
Monday	<b>4</b>			
Tuesday	<b>5</b>		<b>UNIVERSITY RESUMES FOR THE 2027 ACADEMIC YEAR</b>	