



CIRCULAR TO STAFF AND STUDENTS

Amended 2020 Academic Calendar

1. Academic Calendar

With reference to the UJ COVID-19 UPDATE 03 issued on the 18th of March 2020, the 2020 Academic Calendar has been amended, as follows:

- The autumn recess will start on Saturday, 21 March 2020, and has been extended until 13 April 2020, following the suspension of all contact classes, tests and practicals since 16 March 2020.
- The academic programme for the second term will commence on 14 April 2020.
- As the extended autumn recess has implications for the academic calendar, the mid-year recess has been shortened. The first semester will now end on 19 June 2020, and not on 15 June 2020.

The revised examination schedule will be shared with staff and students soonest.

2. Year Programme

Please verify that all year programme activities are aligned with the amended 2020 Academic Calendar. All changes and/or additions should be sent to elizevdm@uj.ac.za no later than Tuesday, 31 March 2020.

Kind Regards

Kinta Burger (Prof)
Registrar

2020-03-18

REVISED 2020 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

ACADEMIC ACTIVITY	PREVIOUSLY APPROVED DATES	REVISED DATES
University re-opens for support employees	Thu 2020-01-02	
Enrichment and academic development programmes for UJ students	Thu 2020-01-02 – Sat 2020-01-04	
Academic employees, not involved in enrichment or academic development programmes, resume duty	Mon 2020-01-06	
Academic Research	Mon 2020-01-06 – Sun 2020-01-26	
2nd Semester (of previous year) Supplementary Assessment	Mon 2020-01-06 – Fri 2020-01-10	
Online Registration	Mon 2020-01-06 – Fri 2020-01-31	
Special Assessment of Previous Year	Wed 2020-01-22 – Tue 2020-01-28	
1st Year Seminar	Tue 2020-01-28 – Fri 2020-01-31	
First Semester	Mon 2020-02-03 – Mon 2020-06-15	Mon 2020-02-03 – Fri 2020-06-19
Mid-semester Vacation (1st Semester)	Sat 2020-03-21 – Sun 2020-03-29	Sat 2020-03-21 – Mon 2020-04-13
Study Period for Students	Fri 2020-05-15 – Tue 2020-05-19	Sat 2020-05-23 - Wed 2020-05-27
1st Semester Final Assessment	Wed 2020-05-20 – Mon 2020-06-15	Thur 2020-05-28 - Fri 2020-06-19
Winter Vacation	Tue 2020-06-16 – Sun 2020-07-05	Sat 2020-06-20 - Sun 2020-07-05
· Winter Vacation / Academic research		
· Programmes for international students hosted by UJ		
· Study-abroad programmes for UJ students		
· Enrichment and academic development programmes for UJ students	Mon 2020-07-06 – Fri 2020-07-10	
1st Semester Supplementary Assessments	Mon 2020-07-6 – Fri 2020-07-10	
Second Semester	Mon 2020-07-13 – Fri 2020-10-16	
1st Semester Special Assessment	Thu 2020-07-23 – Wed 2020-07-29	
Mid-semester Vacation (2nd Semester)	Sat 2020-08-29 – Sun 2020-09-06	
Study Period for Students	Sat 2020-10-17 – Wed 2020-10-21	
2nd Semester Final Assessment	Thu 2020-10-22 – Fri 2020-11-13	
Study Period for Students	Sat 2020-11-14 - Sun 2020-11-22	
2nd Semester Supplementary Assessments	Mon 2020-11-23 – Fri 2020-11-27	
Start of Summer Holiday for students	Sat 2020-11-28	
Start of December Holiday for academic staff	Wed 2020-12-09	
Start of December Holiday for support staff	Sat 2020-12-12	
Special Assessment of the Previous Year	Mon 2021-01-11 – Fri 2021-01-15	

PUBLIC AND UNIVERSITY HOLIDAYS

Description	2020
New Year's Day	Wed 01 January
Human Rights Day	Sat 21 March
Good Friday	Fri 10 April
Family Day	Mon 13 April
Freedom Day	Mon 27 April
Worker's Day	Fri 01 May
Youth Day	Tue 16 June
National Women's Day	Sun 09 August
Public Holiday due to National Women's day on Sunday	Mon 10 August
Heritage Day	Thu 24 September
University Holiday	Fri 25 September
Day of Reconciliation	Wed 16 December
Christmas Day	Fri 25 December
Day of Goodwill	Sat 26 December

IMPORTANT NOTES

University re-opens for support employees	Thu 2 January 2020
University re-opens for academic employees	Mon 6 January 2020
University Holiday	Fri 25 September 2020
University closes for the December Holidays	Fri 11 December 2020
2 Weeks extension to the autumn recess	
2nd Term extended from 15 June to 19 June	
Start of 1st Semester Final Assessments moved from 20 to 28 May	
Winter vacation and research time reduced from 4 weeks to 3 weeks. Starting on 20 June	

Revised 2020 Academic Calendar Mapping

JANUARY

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- Assessments
- Academic classes
- Recess
- University Holidays

- Study Break
- Academic Research
- Public Holidays
- (-) Religious Holidays
- School Holidays