**EXAMINATION STUDY PERIOD FOR STUDENTS (Inclusive of Weekends)**

**FROM**

15 May

19 May

5

**TO**

**NO. OF DAYS**

First Semester

30 April

**TO**

**NO. OF DAYS**

Midlands- Autumn Graduation

29 April

2

**FROM**

7

11 May

Durban - Spring Graduation

14 September

15 September

2

Durban - Autumn Graduation

04 May

11\*

Annual

08 October

28 October

15

First Semester

**NO. OF DAYS**

20 May

03 June

**UNIVERSITY CLOSES - 11 December 2020 until 31 December 2020**.

*See Annexure 1 for information on how the above dates are accommodated in the Calendar and Annexure 2 for public and religious holidays*

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Second Semester

29 October

11 November

10

**\***Accession Day

28 October

5

24 October

Annual

03 October

07 October

5

Second Semester

**FROM**

**TO**

**COMMENCEMENT OF EXAMINATIONS**

4

28 September

11 December

**REGISTRATION**

3

13 July

18 September

**FROM**

**TO**

*Faculties to decide on their registration dates*

**TERM**

**FROM**

**TO**

**TERM DATES AND SKELETAL ACADEMIC CALENDAR FOR 2020**

***(AMENDED CALENDAR APPROVED BY SENATE ON 13 NOVEMBER 2019 AND RATIFIED***

***BY COUNCIL ON 30 NOVEMBER 2019)***

**UNIVERSITY RE-OPENS –** Friday, 3 January 2020

Administrative staff and those academic staff required for registration preparation, as determined by Heads of Departments,

return on Friday, 3 January 2020. All other staff return on Monday 6 January 2020.

**ACADEMIC TERMS**

2

14 April

19 June

1

03 February

**NO. OF DAYS**

03 April

66

Annual

03 February

02 October

145

First Semester

03 February

14 May

**GRADUATION CEREMONIES**

**NO. OF DAYS**

Second Semester

13 July

23 October

69

Annual

06 January

01 February

23

23

First Semester

06 January

01 February

**FROM**

**TO**



**LECTURES**

91

5

1

0

01 Feb

19 June

19

96

Semester 2

**MID-YEAR VACATION 22 JUNE TO 10 JULY (3 WEEKS)**

Semester 2

Semester 2

Semester 2

5 Days

Semester 2

Semester 2

20

4

June

19 May

W/ends

03 June

Annual

Annual

06 Apr –

Annual

Annual

Annual

01 Feb

14

06 Jan –

3

Feb –

09 Apr

15 May –

incl

20 May –

70

4

66

1

2 + 1 Day

4

18

0

06 Jan –

03 Feb –

09 Apr

-

-

4

1

03 Oct -

5 Days

08 Oct –

3

11

55

54

1

28 Oct

days

25 Sept

07 Oct

incl

28 Oct

W/ends

21 Sept –

11 Nov

2

days

Annual

Annual

Annual

w/ends

Annual

Annual

69

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13 July –

21 Sept –

24 Oct –

incl

Annual

29 Oct –

14

17 + 3

1

70

1

11 Nov

25 Sept

28 Oct

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13 July –

15 + 3

***(MINUS)***

**REGISTRATION**

**TOTAL NUMBER OF**

***(MINUS)***

***(MINUS)***

***(EQUALS)***

***(EQUALS)***

***(MINUS)***

***(EQUALS)***

**(1)**

**(2)**

**(3)**

**(4)**

**(5)**

**(6)**

**(7)**

**(8)**

**(9)**

*1.2*

**2020 SKELETAL ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

*NOTE:*

*This schedule is aimed at:*

*1.*

*Illustrating all prescribed factors that need to be accommodated when devising the academic calendar, including the provisions of:*

*1.1*

*A 5-day study period for students (including weekends); and*

*A minimum of 14 weeks per semester for lectures/practicals for semesterised programmes.*

*2.*

*Indicating the number of days allocated for lectures/practicals (see column 9 below) after all prescribed factors have been accommodated.*

Semester 1

Semester 1

Semester 1

Semester 1

5 Days

Semester 1

Semester 1

Annual

Annual

Annual

**OF THE**

**SEMESTER/ANNUAL**

**VACATION**

**EXAMINATIONS)**

**PERIODS**

**DATES**

**WEEKS**

**DAY OF RESPECTIVE**

**DATES**

**WEEKS**

**DATES**

**WEEKS**

**DATE**

**WEEKS**

**DATE**

**WEEKS**

**VACATION PERIOD**

**WEEKS FOR 2020**

**MID SEMESTER**

**REMAINING**

**REMAINING**

**PUBLIC**

**DAYS FOR**

**PERIOD**

**STUDY PERIOD**

**EXAMS**

**(CALCULATED FROM**

**WEEKS**

**DAYS**

**HOLIDAYS**

**LECTURES/**

**(Including weekends)**

**FIRST DAY OF**

**(EXCLUDING**

**THAT ARE**

**LECTURES TO LAST**

**WEEKENDS)**

**NOT PART**

Semester 1

06 Apr –

Semester 1

**PRACTICALS**

*Annexure 1 to 2020 Academic Calendar*

Diwali / Deepavali

Monday

10 August

Public Holiday (National

Monday

28 September

Yom Kippur

Heritage Day

Thursday

24 September

Friday

13 November

16 June

20 September

Rosh Hashana

Youth Day

Tuesday

Saturday

19 September

Rosh Hashana

Friday

Sunday

09 August

National Women’s Day

Women’s Day observed)

Sunday

26 December

Day of Goodwill

Friday

25 December

Christmas Day

open and operational on these days.

Saturday

The University respects the religious beliefs of all staff and students.

scheduled on the above days; however, the University will remain

Wednesday

16 December

01 May

Day of Reconciliation

As a result, tests, assessments and examinations will not be

Tuesday

10 March

Isaiah Shembe Day

Wednesday

Saturday

02 May

Isaiah Shembe Day

Saturday

21 March

Human Rights’ Day

**PUBLIC AND RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS**

**DATE**

**HOLIDAY**

**RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS**

**PUBLIC HOLIDAYS**

**DAY**

*Annexure 2 to 2020 Academic Calendar*

1 January

New Year’s Day

**DAY**

**DATE**

**RELIGIOUS DAY**

Monday

27 April

31 July

**\***Eid-ul-Adha

Friday

Freedom Day

Sunday

24 May

Workers Day

Thursday

Friday

10 April

21 May

Ascension Day

Good Friday

**\***Eid-ul-Fitr

Monday

13 April

Family Day