

UNIVERSITY OF KWAZULU-NATAL
HOWARD COLLEGE, PIETERMARITZBURG AND WESTVILLE CAMPUSES
SESSIONAL DATES 2024

FIRST SEMESTER : Monday, 12 February – Wednesday, 26 June
EASTER VACATION : Friday, 29 March – Sunday, 7 April (inclusive)
WINTER VACATION : Thursday, 27 June – Sunday, 21 July (inclusive)
SECOND SEMESTER : Monday, 22 July – Tuesday, 3 December
MID-TERM BREAK : Saturday, 21 September – Sunday, 29 September (inclusive)

	Mon, 01 – Fri, 5 Jan	Mon, 01 Jan	New Year's Day (Public holiday)
		Tue, 02 Jan	University opens
	Mon, 08 – Fri, 12 Jan	Tue, 09 Jan	Remote online registration opens for returning students
			Deadline for re-registration appeals to School Higher Degree Offices
		Fri, 12 Jan	School Higher Degree Committees to consider re-registration appeals from PG students, for recommendation to CAAB
			Deadline for applications for remarks of those modules with formal sit-down examinations in Semester 2, 2023.
	Mon, 15 – Fri, 19 Jan	Wed, 17 Jan	Deadline for the submission of exclusion appeals from UG/Hons and PG Dip students
		Fri, 19 Jan	Provisional release of NSC results by the DBE
	Mon, 22 – Fri, 26 Jan		
	Mon, 29 Jan – Sat, 03 Feb	Fri, 02 Feb	CAECOM meetings
			Residences open for registered (both academic and residence registered) students
		Sat, 03 Feb	Online Parents Day (to be confirmed)
	Mon, 05 – Sat, 10 Feb	Mon, 05– Sat, 10 Feb	Orientation and dedicated remote online registration week for First Time Entering Undergraduate (FTEN) students
		Wed, 7 Feb	AEACOM meeting
		Thu, 08 Feb	For Higher degrees students: Final date for submission of bound/final examination copies with respect to any intention to submit received in Semester 2:2023, without having to register for Semester 1:2024

SEMESTER 1:			
1	Mon, 12 – Fri, 16 Feb	Mon, 12 Feb	First semester and lectures commences
		Mon, 12 – Thu, 15 Feb	Senate Concessionary Special Examinations (SCSEs) week (Colleges to arrange for students with a maximum of 2 modules outstanding, having been registered for the modules in 2023)
		Fri, 16 – Wed, 21 Feb	Marking of Senate Concessionary Special Examinations and release of results
2	Mon, 19 – Fri, 23 Feb	Wed, 21 Feb	Final date for release of SCSE results
		Fri, 23 Feb	Final date for submitting curriculum changes
			Final date for requests for extended DPs for those modules that had DPs in 2023

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			Final date for minimum fee payment required for registration
			Final date for first semester academic registration
3	Mon, 26 Feb – Fri, 1 Mar		
4	Mon, 04 – Fri, 8 Mar		
5	Mon, 11 – Fri, 15 Mar	Fri, 15 Mar	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Bachelors, Honours, Diplomas and Certificates)
6	Mon, 18 – Fri, 22 Mar	Thu, 21 Mar	Human Rights Day (Public holiday)
		Fri, 22 Mar	Student recess day – non teaching day
7	Mon, 25 – Fri, 29 Mar	Thu, 28 Mar	Lectures end
			Final date for withdrawal from a module and for withdrawal from the University (Semester 1)
			Final timetable for main and supplementary examinations released
		Fri, 29 Mar	Easter Friday (Public holiday)
	Fri, 29 Mar to Sun, 7 Apr	EASTER VACATION: STUDENT MID-TERM BREAK	
	Mon, 01 – Fri, 5 Apr	Mon, 1 Apr	Family Day (Public holiday)
		Fri, 5 Apr	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Masters and Doctoral Students)
8	Mon, 08 – Fri, 12 Apr	Wed, 10 Apr	Eid ul Fitr (provisional date) (condoned day of absence)
9	Mon, 15 – Fri, 19 Apr	Mon, 15 Apr	Compensatory day – Follows Thursday timetable
10	Mon, 22 – Fri, 26 Apr	Tue, 23 Apr	Compensatory day – Follows Friday timetable
11	Mon, 29 Apr – Fri, 3 May	Wed, 01 May	Workers' Day (Public Holiday)
12	Mon, 6 – Sat, 11 May	Mon, 6 – Sat, 11 May	Graduation ceremonies (Westville)
13	Mon, 13 – Sat, 18 May	Mon, 13 – Sat, 18 May	Graduation ceremonies (Westville)
14	Mon, 20 – Fri, 24 May	Tue, 21 May	DP refusals to be published for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Wed, 22 May	Lectures end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations. Lectures continue for those modules taught online with continuous assessment.
		Fri, 24 May	Final date for submission of DP refusal appeals to School offices for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 27 May – Sat, 01 Jun	Tue, 28 May	First semester examinations commence (including Saturdays) for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 03 – Sat, 08 Jun	Mon, 03 Jun – Sat, 08 Jun	First semester examinations continue
	Mon, 10 – Sat, 15 Jun	Wed, 12 Jun	First semester examinations end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Thu, 13 – Tue, 18 Jun	Break between examinations for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 17 – Sat, 22 Jun	Mon, 17 Jun	Public holiday in lieu of Sunday public holiday
		Wed, 19 Jun	Supplementary examinations commence (including Saturday) for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Fri, 21 Jun	Semester 1 Lectures end for all modules taught online including all continuous assessment opportunities
	Mon, 24 – Fri, 28 Jun	Wed, 26 Jun	Supplementary examinations end
			First semester ends for all students

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		Fri, 28 Jun	Deadline for readmission applications for potential readmission into Semester 2, 2024
			All residences to be vacated by 16h00 on 28 June 2023
Semester 1: Teaching days for modules with formal sit-down examinations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teaching days: Monday 13 , Tuesday 13 , Wednesday 13 , Thursday 13 , Friday 12 : 64 days Compensatory days: (Monday 15 April follows a Thursday timetable; Tuesday 23 April follows a Friday timetable) Study leave: 5 days; Main Examinations: 14 days; Supplementary Exams: 7 days; 			

Thur, 27 Jun – Sun 21 Jul	MID-YEAR BREAK (Winter Vacation)
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SEMESTER 2:			
	Mon, 01 – Fri, 05 Jul	Thu, 04 Jul	Supplementary exam marks for formal sit-down examinations and all continuous assessment marks to be captured on SMS by 12h00
	Mon, 08 – Fri, 12 Jul	Thu, 11 Jul	School Examination Boards
		Fri, 12 Jul	<i>Release of results at 00h01</i>
	Mon, 15 – Fri, 19 Jul	Mon, 15 Jul	Second semester registration commences
		Thu, 18 Jul	For Higher degrees students: Final date for submission of bound examination copies with respect to any intention to submit received in Semester 1:2024, without having to register for Semester 2:2024
			Deadline for the submission of exclusion appeals
		Fri, 19 Jul	Deadline for applications for remarks for those modules with formal sit-down examinations in semester 1, 2024
		Fri, 19 Jul	CAECOM meetings
		Fri, 19 Jul	Residences open for registered students
1	Mon, 22 – Fri, 26 Jul	Mon, 22 Jul	Second semester and lectures commence
		Tue, 23 Jul	AEACOM meeting
2	Mon, 29 Jul – Fri, 02 Aug	Fri, 02 Aug	Final date for submitting curriculum changes
			Final date for requests for extended DPs for those modules that had DPs in 2023
			Final date for minimum fee payment required for registration
			Final date for second semester academic registration
3	Mon, 05 – Fri, 09 Aug	<i>Fri, 09 Aug</i>	<i>National Women's Day (Public holiday)</i>
4	Mon, 12 – Fri, 16 Aug	Fri, 16 Aug	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Bachelors, Honours, Diplomas and Certificates)
5	Mon, 19 – Fri, 23 Aug		
6	Mon, 26 - Fri, 30 Aug	Fri, 30 Aug	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Masters and Doctoral Students)
7	Mon, 02 – Fri, 06 Sep	Mon, 02 Sep	Compensatory day – Follows Friday timetable
8	Mon, 09 – Fri, 13 Sep	Fri, 13 Sep	Final date for withdrawal from a module and for withdrawal from the University (Semester 2)
		Fri, 13 Sep	Final timetable for main and supplementary examinations released
9	Mon, 16 – Fri, 20 Sep	Mon, 16 - Fri, 20 Sep	<i>Spring graduation ceremonies (Westville)</i>

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		Fri, 20 Sep	Lectures end
	Sat, 21 – Sun, 29 Sep	STUDENT MID-TERM BREAK	
	Mon, 23 – Fri, 27 Sep	Tue, 24 Sep	<i>Heritage day (Public holiday)</i>
10	Mon, 30 Sep – Fri, 4 Oct	Mon, 30 Sep	Lectures resume Deadline for readmission applications for potential readmission into Semester 1: 2025
11	Mon, 7 – Fri, 11 Oct		
12	Mon, 14 – Fri, 18 Oct		
13	Mon, 21 – Fri, 25 Oct		
14	Mon, 28 Oct – Fri, 01 Nov	Mon, 28 Oct	DP refusals to be published for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Tue, 29 Oct	Lectures end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations. Lectures continue for modules taught online and assessed by continuous assessment
		Thu, 31 Oct	Final date for submission of DP appeals to School offices for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Fri, 01 Nov	<i>Diwali (provisional date)</i>
	Mon, 04 – Fri, 08 Nov	Mon, 4 Nov	Second semester examinations commence (including Saturdays) for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 11 – Sat, 16 Nov	Mon, 11 – Sat, 16 Nov	Second semester examinations continue
	Mon, 18 – Fri, 22 Nov	Tue, 19 Nov	Examinations end for those modules with formal sit down examinations
	Mon, 25 – Fri, 29 Nov	Tue, 26 Nov	Second semester supplementary examinations commence for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Fri, 29 Nov	Final date for submission of theses/dissertations to the School/College Higher degrees offices for possible April 2025 graduation
		Fri, 29 Nov	Semester 2 Lectures end for all modules taught online including all continuous assessment opportunities
	Mon, 02 – Fri, 6 Dec	Tue, 03 Dec	Second semester supplementary examinations end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Tue, 03 Dec	Second semester ends for all students
		Wed, 04 Dec	All residences to be vacated by 16h00 on 4 December 2024.
Semester 2: For modules with formal sit-down examinations			
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teaching days: Monday 13 , Tuesday 14 , Wednesday 13 , Thursday 13 , Friday 13 : 66 days • Compensatory days: (Monday, 4 September follows a Friday timetable) • Study leave: 5 days; Examinations: 14 days; Supplementary Exams: 7 days 			

YEAR-END BREAK:

	Mon, 09 – Fri, 13 Dec	Wed, 11 Dec	Supplementary exam marks to be captured on SMS by 12h00
	Mon, 16 – Fri, 20 Dec	Mon, 16 Dec	<i>Day of Reconciliation (Public holiday)</i>
		Thu, 19 Dec	School Examination Boards
		Fri, 20 Dec	Release of results at 00h01
	Mon, 23 – Tue, 24 Dec	Tue, 24 Dec	University Offices close at 12h00

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PLEASE NOTE:

- Sessional Dates for both the School of Medicine and the School of Education will be published separately.
- PGDip(Acc) : Dates will vary from the above and be published separately by the School concerned.
- All Bachelor of Nursing students are required to attend clinical training and community work during vacations in the year from the 01 January 2024 until 31 December 2024.
- The University of KwaZulu-Natal reserves the right to change any of the said Sessional Dates, solely in its discretion, and without any liability for inconvenience and/or loss occasioned thereby.