

Sessional Dates 2024

Nelson R Mandela School of Medicine

Howard, Pietermaritzburg and Westville

Education

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	
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	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.	
		Deadline for applications to be submitted for Senate Concessionary Special Examinations as per GR 23 (b) MBChB6 6th & NMFC Orientation (Online)	
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	Fri, 19 Jan	Provisional release of NSC results by the DBE	
Mon, 22 – Fri, 26 Jan	Mon, 22 Jan	3 rd & 4 th Physiotherapy students commence	
		4 th year Speech Language Therapy students commence MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 1 Commences MBChB6 6th Year & NMFC Block 1 Week 2	
	Tues, 23 Jan	3 rd & 4 th year Occupational Therapy students commence	
	Wed, 24 Jan	3 rd year Speech Language Therapy students commence	
Mon, 29 Jan – Sat, 03 Feb	Mon, 29 Jan	4 th year Optometry students commence	
	Tues, 30 Jan	2 nd year Occupational Therapy students commence	
	Fri, 02 Feb	CAECOM meetings	
		4 th year Audiology students commence	
		Residences open for registered (both academic and residence registered) students MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 1 Week 2 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 1 Week 3 CMSA Assessments	
	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 MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 1 Week 3 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 1 Week 4 CMSA Assessments	
		Mon, 05 Feb	3 rd year Optometry, 2 nd & 3 rd Dental Therapy & Oral Hygiene & Sport Science Honours students commence
		Tues, 6 Feb	2 nd year Speech Language Therapy students commence 1 st year Occupational Therapy students commence
	Wed, 7 Feb	AEACOM meeting 3 rd year Audiology students commence	
	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	
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3	Mon, 26 Feb – Fri, 1 Mar		MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Orientation MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 1 Assessment Week MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 1 Assessment Week CMSA Assessments
4	Mon, 04 – Fri, 8 Mar		MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical Teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 2 Commences MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 2 Commences
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6	Mon, 18 – Fri, 22 Mar	Thu, 21 Mar	<i>Human Rights Day (Public holiday)</i> MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 2 Week 3 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 2 Week 3
		Fri, 22 Mar	Student recess day – non teaching day
7	Mon, 25 – Fri, 29 Mar	Thu, 28 Mar	Lectures end
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			Final timetable for main and supplementary examinations released MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 2 Week 4 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 2 Week 4 CMSA Assessments
		Fri, 29 Mar	<i>Easter Friday (Public holiday)</i>
Fri, 29 Mar to Sun, 7 Apr EASTER VACATION: STUDENT MID-TERM BREAK			
	Mon, 01 – Fri, 5 Apr	Mon, 1 Apr	<i>Family Day (Public holiday)</i> MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 2 Week 5 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 2 Week 5 CMSA Assessments
		Fri, 5 Apr	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Masters and Doctoral Students)
8	Mon, 08 – Fri, 12 Apr	Wed, 08 Apr	<i>Eid ul Fitr (provisional date) (condoned day of absence)</i> MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 2 Assessment Week MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 2 Week 6 CMSA Assessments
9	Mon, 15 – Fri, 19 Apr	Mon, 15 Apr	Compensatory day – Follows Thursday timetable MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 3 Commences MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 2 Assessment Week CMSA Assessments
10	Mon, 22 – Fri, 26 Apr	Tue, 23 Apr	Compensatory day – Follows Friday timetable MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching

			MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 3 Week 2 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Commences CMSA Assessments
11	Mon, 29 Apr – Fri, 3 May	Wed, 01 May	<i>Workers' Day (Public Holiday)</i> MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 3 Week 3 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Week 2 CMSA Assessments
12	Mon, 6 – Sat, 11 May	Mon, 6 – Sat, 11 May	<i>Graduation ceremonies (Westville)</i> MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 3 Week 4 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Week 3 CMSA Assessments
13	Mon, 13 – Sat, 18 May	Mon, 13 – Sat, 18 May	<i>Graduation ceremonies (Westville)</i> MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 3 Week 5 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Week 4 CMSA Assessments SCM Clinical Professional Practice (MMED Assessments)
14	Mon, 20 – Fri, 24 May	Tue, 21 May	DP refusals to be published for those modules with formal sit-down examinations MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 3 Assessment Week MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Week 5 CMSA Assessments SCM Clinical Professional Practice (MMED Assessments)
		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	Mon, 27 May	MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Study Week MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Semester 1 Study Week MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Week 6 CMSA Assessments SCM Clinical Professional Practice (MMED Assessments)
		Wed, 29 May	National and Provincial elections – public holiday
		Fri, 31 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 MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Study Week Throughput MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Semester 1 Supplementary Week MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Assessment Week CMSA Assessments Deadline: Clinical Professional Practice (MMED Assessments)
	Mon, 10 – Sat, 15 Jun	Wed, 12 Jun	First semester examinations end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Supplementary MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Semester 1 Supplementary Week 2 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 3 Study Week CMSA Assessments
		Sat, 15 Jun	First semester examinations end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Sun, 16 – Fri, 21 Jun	Break between examinations for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 17 – Sat, 22 Jun	Mon, 17 Jun	<i>Public holiday in lieu of Sunday public holiday</i>
		Fri, 21 Jun	Semester 1 Lectures end for all modules taught online including all continuous assessment opportunities
		Sat, 22 Jun	Supplementary examinations commence (including Saturday) for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 24 – Fri, 28 Jun	Wed, 26 Jun	First semester ends for all students

		MBChB6 4th Year CEBP3 (Selective Week 2) MBChB6 5th Year Semester 1 Vacation MBChB6 6th & NMFC Semester 1 Vacation Deadline for MMED Capturing of MMED Resuts Deadline for Capturing Research Methodology & Project SCM Exam Board (Special)
	Fri, 28 Jun	Deadline for readmission applications for potential readmission into Semester 2, 2024
	Sat, 29 Jun	Supplementary examinations end. First semester ends for all students
	Sun, 30 Jun	All residences to be vacated by 16h00 on 28 June 2023

Semester 1: Teaching days for modules with formal sit-down examinations

- 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;

Sun, 30 Jun – Sun 21 Jul MID-YEAR BREAK (Winter Vacation)

SEMESTER 2:

	Mon, 01 – Fri, 05 Jul	Mon, 1 Jul	4 th year Optometry students commence
		Thu, 04 Jul	MBChB6 4th Year CEBP3 (Selective Week 3) MBChB6 5th Year Semester 1 Vacation MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 4 Commences CMSA Assessments Commences
	Mon, 08 – Fri, 12 Jul	Mon, 08 Jul	Supplementary exam marks for formal sit-down examinations and all continuous assessment marks to be captured on SMS by 12h00 MBChB6 4th Year Semester 1 Vacation MBChB6 5th Year Semester 1 Vacation MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 4 Week 2 CMSA Assessments Commences
	Mon, 15 – Fri, 19 Jul	Mon, 15 Jul	School examination boards
		Tue, 16 Jul	4 th year Speech Language students commence
		Wed, 17 Jul	Results released at 00h01
		Thu, 18 Jul	Second semester registration commences
		Fri, 19 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
		Fri, 19 Jul	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	Residences open for registered students
1	Mon, 22 – Fri, 26 Jul	Mon, 22 Jul	Second semester and lectures commence MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 4 Week 2 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 4 Week 4 CMSA Assessments Commences CAECOM meetings
		Thur, 25 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 MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 4 Week 3 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 4 Week 5 CMSA Assessments Commences
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5	Mon, 19 – Fri, 23 Aug		MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 4 Assessments MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 5 Commences
6	Mon, 26 – Fri, 30 Aug	Fri, 30 Aug	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Masters and Doctoral Students) MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Clinical teaching MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Block 5 Commences MBChB6 6th & NMFC Block 5 Week 2 CMSA Assessments Commences SCM Exam Board (Special)
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Sat, 21 – Sun, 29 Sep		STUDENT MID-TERM BREAK	
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	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 MBChB6 3rd CMED3IC Supplementary MBChB6 4th & 5th Year Supplementary Week 1 MBChB6 6th & NMFC Semester 2 Supplementary Week
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Semester 2: For modules with formal sit-down examinations

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- 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	<i>Mon, 16 Dec</i>	<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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5	Mon, 11 – Fri, 15 Mar	Fri, 15 Mar	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Bachelors, Honours, Diplomas and Certificates)
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12	Mon, 6 – Sat, 11 May	Mon, 6 – Sat, 11 May	Graduation ceremonies (Westville)
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		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		Wed, 29 May	National and Provincial Elections
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Mon, 03 – Sat, 08 Jun		Mon, 03 Jun – Sat, 08 Jun	First semester examinations continue
Mon, 10 – Sat, 15 Jun		Sat, 15 Jun	First semester examinations end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
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		Fri, 21 Jun	Semester 1 Lectures end for all modules taught online including all continuous assessment opportunities
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		Fri, 19 Jul	Deadline for the submission of exclusion appeals
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	Sat, 21 – Sun, 29 Sep	STUDENT MID-TERM BREAK	
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10	Mon, 30 Sep – Fri, 4 Oct	Mon, 30 Sep	Lectures resume
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EASTER VACATION : Friday, 29 March – Sunday, 7 April

WINTER VACATION : Thursday, 27 June – Sunday, 21 July

SECOND SEMESTER : Monday, 22 July – Tuesday, 3 December

MID-TERM BREAK : Saturday, 21 September – Sunday, 29 September

	Mon, 01 – Fri, 5 Jan	Mon, 01 Jan Tue, 02 Jan	<i>New Year's Day (Public holiday)</i> University opens
	Mon, 08 – Fri, 12 Jan	Tues, 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 application for remarks of those modules with formal sit-down examinations in semester 2, 2023. Deadline for applications to be submitted for Senate concessionary special examinations as per GR 23 b)
	Mon, 15 – Fri, 19 Jan	Wed, 17 Jan	Deadline for the submission of exclusion appeals from UG/Hons and PG Dip students
	Mon, 22- Fri, 26, Jan	Mon, 22- Fri, 26, Jan	Special exam week (B.ED and PGCE only)
	Mon, 29 Jan – Sat, 03 Feb	Mon, 29 Jan	Additional Teaching Practice EDTP420 {only if EDTP420 is the only outstanding module}
			Additional Teaching Practice EDTP611 {only EDTP611 is the only outstanding module}
			Additional Teaching Practice: EDTP612 {only if EDTP612 is the only outstanding module}
			EDTP321 Supplementary {awaiting SMC approval}
		Fri, 02 Feb	CAECOM meetings
		Sat, 03 Feb	Parents Day (to be confirmed)
	Mon, 05 – Sat, 10 Feb	Mon, 05, Feb – Sat, 10 Feb	Orientation and dedicated remote online registration week for First time entering new (FTEN) students
		Wed, 7 Feb	AECOM 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 EDTP430 commence
		Mon, 12 Feb – Friday, 16 Feb	Senate concessionary special examinations week (Colleges to arrange for students with a maximum of 2 modules outstanding, having been registered for the modules in 2023)
		Tue, 13 Feb	EDTP430 Orientation
		Thur, 15 Feb	EDTP430 Commence
2	Mon, 19 Feb – Fri, 23 Feb	Mon, 19 Feb – Tue, 20 Feb	Marking of Senate concessionary special exams and release of 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
			Final date for minimum fee payment required for registration
			Final date for first semester academic registration
			EDTP420 Additional Teaching Practice EDTP321 Additional Teaching Practice (awaiting SMC approval) EDTP611 Additional Teaching Practice)
3	Mon, 26 Feb – Fri, 1 Mar		-
4	Mon, 04 – Fri, 8 Mar	Fri, 8 Mar	EDTP612 Additional Teaching Practice Ends
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	Thur, 21 Mar	<i>Human Rights Day (Public holiday)</i>
		Fri, 22 Mar	Student recess day – non teaching day
7	Mon, 25 Mar – Fri, 29 Mar	Thu, 28 Mar	Lectures end
		Thu, 28 Mar	Final date for withdrawal from a module and for withdrawal from the University (Semester 1)

		Thu, 28 Mar	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 Apr – Fri, 5 Apr	Fri, 5 Apr	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Masters and Doctoral Students)
8	Mon, 08 Apr – Fri, 12 Apr	Mon, 8 Apr	EDTP611 School Experience commences
		Wed, 10 Apr	Eid ul Fitr (provisional date) (condoned day of absence)
9	Mon, 15 Apr – Fri, 19 Apr	Mon, 15 Apr	Compensatory day – Follows Thursday timetable
10	Mon, 22 Apr – Fri, 26 Apr	Tue, 23 Apr	Compensatory day – Follows Friday timetable
		Wed, 01 May	Workers' Day (Public Holiday)
11	Mon, 29 Apr – Fri 3 May	Fri, 03 May	EDTP611 School Experience end EDTP430 School Experience end
12	Mon, 6 May – Sat, 11 May	Mon, 6 May – Sat, 11 May	Graduation ceremonies (Westville)
		Mon, 6 May	PGCE Lectures commences
13	Mon, 13 May – Sat, 18 May	Mon, 13 May – Sat, 18 May	Graduation ceremonies (Westville)
		Tue, 21 May	DP refusals to be published for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
14	Mon, 20 – Fri, 24 May	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 June	Wed, 29 May	National and Provincial elections – public holiday
		Fri, 31 May	First semester examinations start for those modules sit-down examinations, inclusive of Saturdays
	Mon, 03 – Sat, 08 June		First semester examinations continue
	Mon, 10 – Sat, 15 June	Sat, 15 Jun	First semester examinations end for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
		Sun, 16 Jun – Fri, 21 Jun	Break between examinations for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 17 – Sat, 22 June	Mon, 17 June	Public holiday in lieu of Sunday public holiday
		Fri, 21 June	Semester 1 Lectures end for all modules taught online including all continuous assessment opportunities
		Sat, 22 June	Supplementary examinations commence (including Saturday) for those modules with formal sit-down examinations
	Mon, 24 Jun – Fri, 28 June	Fri, 28 June	Deadline for readmission applications for potential readmission into Semester 2, 2024
		Sat, 29 June	Supplementary examinations end
		Sat, 26 June	First semester ends for all students
		Sun, 30 June	All residences to be vacated by 16h00 on 30 Jun 2024

Semester 1: Teaching days for modules with formal sit-down examinations

- 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;

Wed 26 Jun – Sun 23 Jul MID-YEAR BREAK (Winter Vacation)

SEMESTER 2:

	Mon, 01 – Fri, 05 Jul		
	Mon, 08 – Fri, 12 Jul	Mon, 08 Jul	Supplementary exam marks for formal sit-down examinations and all continuous assessment marks are to be captured on SMS by 12h00
	Mon, 15 – Fri, 19 Jul	Mon, 15 Jul	Second semester registration commences EDTP221 School Experience commence EDTP321 School Experience commence EDTP612 School Experience commence
		Tue, 16 Jul	School Examination Boards
		Wed, 17 Jul	Release of results at 00h01
		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
		Fri, 19 Jul	Deadline for applications for remarks for those modules with formal sit-down examinations in semester 1, 2024
		Fri, 19 Jul	Deadline for submission of exclusion appeals
1	Mon, 22 – Fri, 26 July	Mon, 22 Jul	Second semester and lectures commence EDTP121 Teaching Practice commence
		Thur, 25 Jul	AECOM meeting
2	Mon, 29 Jul – Fri, 02 Aug	Fri, 02 Aug	Final date for submitting curriculum changes
		Fri, 02 Aug	Final date for requests for extended DPs for those modules that had DPs in 2023
		Fri, 02 Aug	Final date for minimum fee payment required for registration
		Fri, 02 Aug	Final date for second semester academic registration
3	Mon, 05 – Fri, 09 Aug	Thu, 08 Aug	EDTP121 (CT) Teaching Practice end EDTP221 Teaching Practice end EDTP321 Teaching Practice end
		Fri, 09 Aug	National Women's Day (Public holiday)

4	Mon, 12 – Fri, 16 Aug	Mon, 12 Aug	1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd years commence lectures [BEd Student Only]
		Fri, 16 Aug	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Bachelors, Honours, Diplomas and Certificates) Final date for submitting change of curriculum {1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd years B.Ed only}
			Final date for requests for extended DPs for those modules that had DPs in 2023 [1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd years BEd Only]
			Final date for second semester academic registration [1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd years BEd Only]
5	Mon, 19– Fri, 23 Aug	Fri, 23 Aug	EDTP612 School Experience end
6	Mon, 26 Aug – Fri, 30 Aug	Fri, 30 Aug	Final day for capturing graduation decisions onto ITS (Masters and Doctoral Students) Final date for submitting curriculum changes [PGCE only] Final date for requests for extended DPs for those modules that had DPs in 2023 [PGCE only]
7	Mon, 02 – Fri, 06 Sep	Mon, 02 Sep	Monday, 2 September follows a 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 to Fri, 20 Sep	<i>Spring graduation ceremonies (Westville)</i>
		Fri, 20 Sep	Lectures end
Sat, 21 – Sun, 29 Sep		STUDENT MID-TERM BREAK	
10	Mon, 23 – Fri, 27 Sep	Tue, 24 September	<i>Heritage day (Public holiday)</i>
	Mon, 30 Sep – Fri, 4 Oct	Mon, 30 Sep	Lectures resume
		Mon, 30 Sep	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		Second semester examinations continue
	Mon, 18 – Fri, 22 Nov	Tue, 19 Nov	Examinations end for those modules with formal sit down examinations
	Mon, 25 Nov – 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 Dec – 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

Semester 2: For modules with formal sit-down examinations

- Teaching days: Monday 13 , Tuesday 14 , Wednesday 13 , Thursday 13 , Friday 13 : **66 days**
- Compensatory days: (Monday, 2 September follows a Friday timetable)
- Study leave: 5 days; Examinations: 14 days; Supplementary Exams: 7 days

YEAR-END BREAK:

Mon, 02 – Fri, 06 Dec		
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

PLEASE NOTE:

- Sessional Dates for both the School of Medicine and the School of Education will be published separately
- BComAcc; BComHons(Acc) and PGDip(Acc) : Dates will vary from the above and be published separately
- 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,