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Academic Calendar 2026/2027

Sessional Dates for Postgraduate, Degree & Diploma Programmes of the University (Full-time / ODL)

2026/2027 Academic Year Semester I

Item	Calendar Activity	Date(s)
1	Arrival of New Full-time Students – Main Campus	Sun 4 Oct 2026
2	Registration & Orientation – Main Campus	Mon 5 to Fri 9 Oct 2026
3	Commencement of Classes – Full-time	Mon 12 Oct to Fri 20 Nov 2026
4	**Senate Meeting**	Wed 7 Oct 2026
5	12th Graduation Ceremony	Fri 6 Nov 2026
6	Industrial Attachment for Agriculture	Mon 9 Nov to Fri 15 Jan 2027
7	SMHS Attachments (5th Year) – Pharmacy, Biomedical & Clinical Sciences (Senior Clerkship)	From Nov 2026 (5 to 12 months)
8	Mid-Semester Tests / Assessments	Mon 23 to Fri 27 Nov 2026
9	End of Classes – Full-time	Fri 27 Nov 2026

10	Postgraduate & ODL Residential School & Classes	Mon 7 to Fri 18 Dec 2026
11	End of Classes – ODL	Fri 18 Dec 2026
12	Postgraduate Examinations	Friday 18th to Wed 23rd Dec 2026
13	**Vacation Period (All Students)**	Sat 19 Dec 2026 to Mon 18 Jan 2027
14	Recess for All Staff	Mon 21 Dec 2026 to Wed 6 Jan 2027
15	Deferred Examinations – Postgraduate	Mon 11 to Fri 15 Jan 2027
16	Arrival of Returning Students	Mon 18 Jan 2027
17	Classes begin	Tue 19 Jan 2027
18	Nursing Clinical Practice (Years 1–3, repeats)	Jan to Mar 2027
19	SMHS Public Health & Environmental Health Field Attachments (5th Year)	From Mon 25 Jan 2027 (4 months)
20	Mid-Semester break (Returning Students)	Mon 1 Mar to Fri 5 Mar 2027
21	Study Break 1st Year Students	Mon 1 Mar to Fri 5 Mar 2027
22	Semester Exams (First Years)	Mon 8 Mar to Fri 19 Mar 2027
23	Classes resume for Returning Students	Mon 8 Mar to Fri 16 April 2027
24	SMHS Classes Resume for Returning Students	Mon 8 Mar to Fri 14 May 2027
25	Postgraduate Sessions and Examinations	Mon 12th April to Fri 7th May 2027

26	Study Break for Returning Students	Mon 19 to Fri 23 April 2027
27	SMHS Study Break for Returning Students	Mon 17 to Fri 21 May 2027
28	Semester Exams for returning Students	Mon 26 April to Fri 7 May 2027
29	SMHS Semester Exams for Returning Students	Mon 24 May to Fri 4 Jun 2027
30	Teaching Practice – 3rd & 4th Year Students	May to July 2027
31	All Results to be Submitted	19 May 2027
32	SMHS All Results to be Submitted	Fri 25 Jun 2027
33	Board of Examiners – Semester I	Fri 21 May 2027
34	SMHS Board of Examiners – Semester I	Mon 28 Jun 2027
35	**Senate Examinations Committee (Semester I Results)**	Wed 26 May 2027
36	**SMHS Senate Examinations Committee (Semester I Results)**	Fri 2 Jul 2027
37	Publication of Semester and Postgraduate Results	Fri 28 May 2027
38	SMHS Publication of Semester Results	Wed 7 Jul 2027

2026/2027 Academic Year Semester II

Item	Calendar Activity	Date(s)
39	Nursing End-of-Semester Exams (Years 1–3) & NMCZ Competence Exam	June & Dec 2027
40	Arrival of Returning Students	Sun 8 Aug to Fri 13 Aug 2027
41	Postgraduate sessions	Mon 9th August to Fri 10th September 2027
42	Classes Resume – Full-time	Tue 9 Aug 2027
43	SMHS Junior Clerkship – Clinical Sciences (4th Year)	From Mon 9 Aug 2027 (6 months)
44	**Senate Meeting**	Wed 25 Aug 207
45	Mid- Semester Break	Mon 6 Sept to Fri 10 Sept 2027
46	Classes begin After break	Mon 13 Sept to Fri 22 Oct 2027
47	End of Semester 2 – Full-time	Fri 22 Oct 2027
48	SMHS End of Semester 2 – Fulltime	Fri 5 Nov 2027
49	Study Break – Full-time	Mon 25 Oct to Fri 29 Oct 2027
50	SMHS Study Break – Fulltime	Mon 8 Nov to Fri 12 Nov 2027
51	**Semester 2 Examinations – Full-time**	Mon 1 Nov to Fri 12 Nov 2027
52	**SMHS Semester 2 Examinations – Fulltime**	Mon 15 Nov to Fri 26 Nov 2027
53	**Results Submission**	26th Nov 2027
54	**SMHS Results Submission**	Fri 10 Dec 2027

55	Sessional Examinations –ODL and Postgraduate Examination Semester II	Mon 22 Nov to Fri 3 Dec 2027
56	Board of Examiners	Fri 10 Dec 2027
57	SMHS Board of Examiners – Semester II	Mon 13 Dec 2027
58	**Senate Examinations Committee (Semester II Results)**	Wed 15 Dec 2027
59	**SMHS Senate Examinations Committee (Semester II Results)**	Wed 15 Dec 2027
60	**Publication of Results**	Fri 17 Dec 2027
61	**SMHS Publication of Semester and Postgraduate Results**	Fri 17 Dec 2027
62	**Recess for All Staff**	Mon 20 Dec to Wed 5 Jan 2028
63	2028 Semester I Begins	Mon 17 Jan 2028
64	13th Graduation Ceremony	April 2028