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UNIVERSITY OF HERTFORDSHIRE
OUTLINE CALENDAR FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025

The University academic year runs from 01 August 2024 to 31 July 2025. Semester C operates across 2 academic years. Normally most undergraduate programmes use Semesters A and B. Additionally postgraduate programmes and specific undergraduate programmes use Semester C.

DATES OF SEMESTERS

SEMESTER A	MONDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2024 - FRIDAY 17 JANUARY 2025 (17 weeks, including exam period and integral Christmas vacation 3 weeks) <i>There may be examinations on Saturday 18 January 2025 for certain students</i>
SEMESTER B	MONDAY 20 JANUARY 2025 – FRIDAY 9 MAY 2025 (16 weeks, including exam period and integral Easter vacation 2 weeks) <i>There may be examinations on Saturday 03 May 2025 for certain students.</i> <i>There will be examinations from Tuesday 17 June 2025 – Friday 27 June 2025 for referred/deferred assessments from Semesters A and B.</i>
SEMESTER C	MONDAY 12 MAY 2025 – FRIDAY 05 SEPTEMBER 2025 (17 weeks, including exam period and integral vacation weeks determined by programme) <i>There will be examinations from Monday 01 September 2025 – Friday 05 September 2025 for approved programme-specific referred/deferred assessments and Semester C assessments.</i> <i>Relevant staff and all students must be available to attend exams on any of the above exam days.</i>

DATES OF TERMS

For administrative purposes, the dates of terms and vacation periods are

Autumn	Monday 23 September 2024 – Friday 13 December 2024
Spring	Monday 06 January 2025– Friday 21 Mar 2025
Summer	Monday 07 April 2025 - Friday 09 May 2025

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Christmas	Wednesday 25 December 2024 (Christmas Day) Thursday 26 December 2024 (Boxing Day)	Early May Bank Holiday	Monday 05 May 2025
		Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 26 May 2025
New Year	Wednesday 01 January 2025	Summer Bank Holiday	Monday 25 August 2025
Easter	Friday 18 April 2025 Monday 21 April 2025		

UNIVERSITY HOLIDAYS

The University will be closed from 12.00 hours on Tuesday 24 December 2024 until 08.30 hours on Thursday 02 January 2025.

The University will also be closed on Tuesday 26 August 2025.

START OF SEMESTER A 2025-2026

Monday 22 September 2025

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STRUCTURE OF THE UNIVERSITY’S ACADEMIC CYCLE – 2024-2025

Key: ‘Week number’ = the week numbers used by the Teaching Accommodation Service. The week in which 1 August falls is deemed to be Week 1.
‘Activity’ = the activities and structure approved by the Academic Board which constitute the University’s annual cycle of academic activity.

Semester A

Week number	Month	Monday	Activity
09	Sep 2024	23	IND
10		30	T-1
11	Oct 2024	7	T-2
12		14	T-3
13		21	T-4
14		28	T-5
15	Nov 2024	04	T-6
16		11	T-7
17		18	T-8
18		25	T-9
19	Dec 2024	02	T-10
20		09	T-11
21		16	V
22		23	V
23		30	V
24	Jan 2025	06	T-12
25		13	EX

Semester B

Week number	Month	Monday	Activity
26	Jan 2025	20	T-1
27		27	T-2
28	Feb 2025	03	T-3
29		10	T-4
30		17	T-5
31	Mar 2025	24	T-6
32		03	T-7
33		10	T-8
34		17	T-9
35		24	T-10
36	Apr 2025	31	T-11
37		07	T-12
38		14	V
39		21	V
40	May 2025	28	EX
41		05	EX

Key: IND = Induction T = Teaching
V = Vacation EX = Examination week
RefEX = Referred/Deferred Sem A & B exams

Autumn Term
Spring Term
Summer Term

Semester A:
1 week of induction
12 weeks of teaching
1 week examinations
3 weeks integral vacation
17 weeks total

Semester B:
12 weeks delivery of teaching
2 weeks examinations
2 weeks integral vacation
16 weeks total

Semester C:
2 weeks examinations for referrals/deferrals from assessments in Semesters A and B
1 week examinations for programme- specific referrals/deferrals and Semester C assessments
12 (maximum of) teaching weeks defined by the programme
2 weeks vacation
17 weeks total

Semester C

Week number	Month	Monday	Activity
42	May 2025	12	
43		19	
44		26	
45	Jun 2025	02	
46		09	
47		16	RefEX
48		23	RefEX
49	Jul 2025	30	
50		07	
51		14	
52	Aug 2025	21	
01		28	
02		04	
03	Sep 2025	11	
04		18	
05		25	
06		01	EX

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ACADEMIC CYCLE – 2024-2025 – Notes

Module dates

Operational delivery of modules is defined by start/end dates which, for standard modules, correspond to defined semester start and end dates. Modules that do not correspond to standard semester dates use actual start and end dates. The start date is the day delivery of the module begins and the end date is the date of final module assessment (e.g. end of formal examination period or deadline for final coursework submission).

Examinations held outside identified periods

All formal, centrally-run examinations should be contained within published examinations weeks. Any requests, because of exceptional circumstances, to hold formal examinations at any other time must be approved by the Assistant Registrar (Exams & Awards).

Semester A 2024 - 2025

Week	Month	Monday	Activity	Notes
09	Sep 24	23	IND	Overseas orientation and induction activities
10		30	T-1	Teaching (and induction activities)
11	Oct 24	07	T-2	Teaching (and induction activities)
12		14	T-3	Teaching (and induction activities)
13		21	T-4	Teaching (and induction activities) Students to notify changes in their optional module choices, or to withdraw from modules they are enrolled on that start in Semester A, no later than: Friday 25 October 2024
14		28	T-5	Teaching
15	Nov 24	04	T-6	Teaching
16		11	T-7	Teaching
17		18	T-8	Teaching
18		25	T-9	Teaching
19	Dec 24	02	T-10	Teaching
20		09	T-11	Teaching Publication of final Semester A examination timetable: Monday 09 December 2024
21		16	V	Vacation Last date for awards to be locked on the student record system for February graduation ceremonies: Thursday 19 December 2024
22		23	V	Vacation BANK HOLIDAY: Wednesday 25 December 2024 BANK HOLIDAY: Thursday 26 December 2024
23	Jan 25	30	V	Vacation
24		06	T-12	Teaching
25		13		Examinations Semester A Examinations (where permitted) Monday 13 January 2025 – Saturday 18 January 2025 Formal, centrally-run examinations are held during Week 25 only. End of Semester A: Friday 17 January 2025

Semester B 2024 - 2025

Week	Month	Monday	Activity	Notes
26	Jan 25	20	T-1	Teaching
27		27	T-2	Teaching
28	Feb 25	03	T-3	Teaching Module Examination Boards for Semester A modules

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29		10	T-4	Teaching Module Examination Boards for Semester A modules Students to withdraw from modules they are enrolled on that start in Semester B, no later than: Friday 14 February 2025
30		17	T-5	Teaching Module Examination Boards for Semester A modules Semester A assessment activity completed, and results issued to students via their personal student record by: Thursday 20 February 2025 Graduation ceremonies (St Albans) for awards conferred at Examination Boards between & including Thursday 01 August 2024 – Thursday 19 December 2024: Monday 17 February 2025 – Saturday 22 February 2025
31		24	T-6	Teaching
32	Mar 25	03	T-7	Teaching
33		10	T-8	Teaching
34		17	T-9	Teaching Publication of final Semester B examination timetable: Friday 21 March 2025
35		24	T-10	Teaching
36	Apr 25	31	T-11	Teaching
37		07	T-12	Teaching
38		14	V	Vacation BANK HOLIDAY: Friday 18 April 2025
39		21	V	Vacation BANK HOLIDAY: Monday 21 April 2025
40		28	EX	Semester B Examinations Monday 28 April 2025 – Friday 09 May 2025 (including Saturday 03 May 2025)
41	May 25	05	EX	BANK HOLIDAY: Monday 05 May 2025 Semester B Examinations Monday 28 April 2025 – Friday 09 May 2025 (including Saturday 03 May 2025)

Semester C 2024 - 2025

(Vacation period for programmes delivered over Semesters A & B)

Week	Month	Monday	Activity	Notes
42	May 25	12		
43		19		
44		26		BANK HOLIDAY: Monday 26 May 2025 Module Examination Boards for Semester B modules: Tuesday 27 May 2025 – Monday 02 June 2025
45	Jun 25	02		Module Examination Boards for Semester B modules: Tuesday 27 May 2025 – Monday 02 June 2025 Revision week for students taking referred/deferred examinations in weeks 47 and 48. Students to withdraw from modules they are enrolled on that start in Semester C, no later than: Friday 06 June 2025 Second sittings for ref/def examinations created on the student record by: Tuesday 03 June 2025 by 5.00pm All other Semester B assessment activity completed and results issued to students via their personal student record by: Monday 09 June 2025.

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46		09		Revision week for students taking referred/deferred examinations. Publication of ref/def examination timetable: Tuesday 10 June 2025
47		16	RefEX	Referred/deferred examinations for Semesters A and B 2023-2024 Tuesday 17 June 2025 – Friday 27 June 2025
48		23	RefEX	Referred/deferred examinations for Semesters A and B 2023-2024 Tuesday 17 June 2025 – Friday 27 June 2025
49		30		
50	Jul 25	07		Module and Programme Examination Boards held: Monday 07 July 2025 - Friday 18 July 2025
51		14		Module and Programme Examination Boards held: Monday 07 July 2025 - Friday 18 July 2025
52		21		Referred/deferred module results issued to students via their personal student record by: Monday 21 July 2025 Last date for award results (including interim) to be locked on the system and issued via their personal student record for September graduation ceremonies: Thursday 31 July 2025
1		28		
2	Aug 25	04		Progression deadline: Friday 08 August 2025
3		11		
4		18		
5		25		BANK HOLIDAY: Monday 25 August 2025 UNIVERSITY HOLIDAY: Tuesday 26 August 2025
6	Sept 25	01	EX	Examinations for Semester C Assessment and approved non-standard programmes only: Monday 01 September 2025 – Friday 05 September 2025 Graduation ceremonies (St Albans) for awards conferred at Examination Boards between & including Thursday 02 January 2025 – Thursday 31 July 2025: Monday 01 September 2025 – Thursday 11 September 2025 (including Saturday 06 September 2025) End of Semester C: Friday 05 September 2025
7		08		Graduation ceremonies (St Albans) for awards conferred at Examination Boards between & including Thursday 02 January 2025 – Thursday 31 July 2025: Monday 01 September 2025 – Thursday 11 September 2025 (including Saturday 06 September 2025)

Local teaching arrangements

Schools may make whatever arrangements are necessary or desirable to schedule teaching by their **own** staff, provided that:

- i any teaching by groups/outside the parent School is by mutual agreement, it being understood that these groups need feel under no obligation to take on a commitment;
- ii the interests of the different groups of students sharing the same modules and examinations, etc are not thereby prejudiced.