



The Faculty Senate

### **Academic Calendars with January Intersessions**

The University at Buffalo Faculty Senate Executive Committee approves and recommends the Faculty Senate approve the proposed basic academic calendars including January intersessions. The proposed calendars were developed by an ad hoc committee: Registrar Kara Saunders, Chair, Prof. Elaine Davis, Prof. Emeritus Charles Fournier, Prof. Peter J Horvath, Prof. Joseph C Mollendorf, Prof. Peter Nickerson, Prof. Troy Wood, Prof. W. H. Baumer, and VPUE A Scott Weber *ex officio*.

Seven UB basic academic calendars [schedules for UB undergraduate and graduate programs, excluding professional programs] adding January Intersessions are proposed to replace the current basic academic calendars. These calendars are to be effective with the 2013-14 academic year; Summer Sessions 2013, however, may follow the current schedule. The proposed January intersession calendars are presented on pp. 3 – 6 of this document as a 7-calendar sequence. Academic years begin with Summer Sessions immediately following Memorial Day; hence Calendar 1 Memorial Day is 31 May, Calendar 7 Memorial Day 25 May. In this sequence, the calendars for 2012-13, 2013-14 and 2014-15 are Calendars 4, 5 and 6. Appendices 1 and 2, pp. 7 – 8, present Intersession and Current calendars for 2013-14 and 2014-15 side by side for comparison.

### **Intersession Calendars Principal Features**

Each of the 7 calendars includes Summer Sessions, Fall Semesters, January Intersessions, Spring Semesters, and Spring Semesters for Leap Years. They are sequential: Calendar 1 through Calendar 7 and return to Calendar 1, *i.e.*, the schedule of Calendar 1 is followed by the schedule of Calendar 2, Calendar 2 by Calendar 3, *etc.* If Calendar  $x$  is for a leap year, however, the next calendar is Calendar  $x + 2$ .

1. All schedule a 3-week January Intersession of 14 class days with at least 2 weekday class days in the opening and closing weeks. All begin as soon after New Year's Day as feasible. All have 4 class days in their 3<sup>rd</sup> week to observe Martin Luther King Day.
2. Fall Semester schedules repeat the current UB basic academic calendars.
3. Fall and Spring Semesters have 14 class weeks and an exam week.
4. Summer Sessions I, II and III are 6-week sessions.
5. Session Date Ranges:
  - Summer Sessions begin Tuesdays after Memorial Day, 26 May - 1 June
  - Summer Sessions end Fridays, 14 - 20 August
  - Fall Semesters begin Mondays preceding Labor Day, 25 - 31 August
  - Fall Semester exams end Mondays, 15 - 21 December
  - January Intersessions begin 3 - 6 January
  - January Intersessions end 22 - 25 January
  - Spring Semesters begin Mondays, 25 - 31 January
  - Spring Semester exams end Saturdays, 15 - 21 May
  - Commencement closes Sundays, 16 - 22 May
  - Spring Semester date ranges are 1 or 2 weeks later than in the current calendars
6. Recesses and Holidays:
  - Memorial Day — Mondays, 25 - 31 May
  - Independence Day — 4 July
  - Labor Day — Mondays, 1 - 7 September

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Fall Recesses begin Wednesdays of Thanksgiving week, 21 - 26 November. Calendars 1, 2, 3, 4 and 7 have 2 class weeks and an exam week after this recess; Calendars 5 and 6 have 1 class week and an exam week after this recess.

Winter Recesses begin Tuesdays, 16 - 22 December.

Martin Luther King Day — Mondays, 15 - 21 January

Spring Recesses begin Mondays, 15 - 21 March, following the 7<sup>th</sup> class week.

### 7. Intervals between Sessions:

Summer Sessions – Fall Semesters — Calendars 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 Fall Semesters begin 1 week after the end of preceding Summer Sessions. Calendar 7 Fall Semesters begin 2 weeks after the end of preceding Summer Sessions.

January Intersessions – Spring Semesters — In all Calendars Spring Semesters begin the Mondays following the last January Intersession class day. Calendars 5, 6 and 7 end Intersessions Fridays and begin Spring Semesters the immediately following Mondays. Calendars 1, 2, 3 and 4 end Intersessions Tuesdays or Wednesdays and begin Spring Semesters the following Mondays.

Spring Semesters – Summer Sessions — In Calendar 1, Summer Sessions begin 2 weeks after the end of preceding Spring Semester exams. In Calendars 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 Summer Sessions begin 1 week after the end of preceding Spring Semester exams [*cf.* the preceding calendar, or the 2<sup>nd</sup> preceding calendar for a leap year, for the end of these exams].

### 8. Summer Sessions Holidays:

In all Calendars Summer Sessions I, Summer Sessions 9 Weeks and Summer Sessions 12 Weeks lose 1 class day to Memorial Day; in most Calendars they lose a 2<sup>nd</sup> to Independence Day. Summer Sessions II loses 1 class day to Independence Day in most Calendars. Summer Sessions III loses none.

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<i>Sessions</i>	<i>Calendar 1</i>	<i>Calendar 2</i>
<b>Summer Sessions</b>		
Summer Session I - J	Tuesday, 1 June - Friday, 9 July	Tuesday, 31 May - Friday, 8 July
Summer Session II - L	Monday, 28 June - Friday, 6 August	Monday, 27 June - Friday, 5 August
Summer Session III - M	Monday, 12 July - Friday, 20 August	Monday, 11 July - Friday, 19 August
Summer Session 9 Weeks	Tuesday, 1 June - Friday, 30 July	Tuesday, 31 May - Friday, 29 July
Summer Session 12 Weeks	Tuesday, 1 June - Friday, 20 August	Tuesday, 31 May - Friday, 19 August
Memorial Day; Independence Day	Monday, 31 May; Sunday, 4 July	Monday, 30 May; Monday, 4 July
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
Fall Semester Begins	Monday, 30 August	Monday, 29 August
Labor Day	Monday, 6 September	Monday, 5 September
Fall Recess	Wednesday, 24 - Saturday, 27 November	Wednesday, 23 - Saturday, 26 November
Classes Resume	Monday, 29 November	Monday, 28 November
Fall Semester Classes End	Friday, 10 December	Friday, 9 December
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 11 - 12 December	Saturday - Sunday, 10 - 11 December
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 13 - Monday, 20 December	Monday, 12 - Monday, 19 December
Winter Recess Begins	Tuesday, 21 December	Tuesday, 20 December
<b>Intersession</b>		
	<b>Saturday, 1 January</b>	<b>Sunday, 1 January</b>
Intersession Begins	Wednesday, 5 January	Wednesday, 4 January
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, 17 January	Monday, 16 January
Intersession Ends	Tuesday, 25 January	Tuesday, 24 January
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 31 January	Monday, 30 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 21 - Saturday, 26 March	Monday, 20 - Saturday, 25 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 28 March	Monday, 27 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 13 May	Friday, 12 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 14 - 15 May	Saturday - Sunday, 13 - 14 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 16 - Saturday, 21 May	Monday, 15 - Saturday, 20 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 20 - Sunday, 22 May	Friday, 19 - Sunday, 21 May
<b>Spring Semester - Leap Year</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 31 January	Monday, 30 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 20 - Saturday, 25 March	Monday, 19 - Saturday, 24 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 27 March	Monday, 26 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 12 May	Friday, 11 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 13 - 14 May	Saturday - Sunday, 12 - 13 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 15 - Saturday, 20 May	Monday, 14 - Saturday, 19 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 19 - Sunday, 21 May	Friday, 18 - Sunday, 20 May
<b>Leap Year Sequence</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 3</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 4</b>

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<i>Sessions</i>	<i>Calendar 3</i>	<i>Calendar 4</i>
<b>Summer Sessions</b>		
Summer Session I - J	Tuesday, 30 May - Friday, 7 July	Tuesday, 29 May - Friday, 6 July
Summer Session II - L	Monday, 26 June - Friday, 4 August	Monday, 25 June - Friday, 3 August
Summer Session III - M	Monday, 10 July - Friday, 18 August	Monday, 9 July - Friday, 17 August
Summer Session 9 Weeks	Tuesday, 30 May - Friday, 28 July	Tuesday, 29 May - Friday, 27 July
Summer Session 12 Weeks	Tuesday, 30 May - Friday, 18 August	Tuesday, 29 May - Friday, 17 August
Memorial Day; Independence Day	Monday, 29 May; Tuesday, 4 July	Monday, 28 May; Wednesday, 4 July
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
Fall Semester Begins	Monday, 28 August	Monday, 27 August
Labor Day	Monday, 4 September	Monday, 3 September
Fall Recess	Wednesday, 22 - Saturday, 25 November	Wednesday, 21 - Saturday, 24 November
Classes Resume	Monday, 27 November	Monday, 26 November
Fall Semester Classes End	Friday, 8 December	Friday, 7 December
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 9 - 10 December	Saturday - Sunday, 8 - 9 December
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 11 - Monday, 18 December	Monday, 10 - Monday, 17 December
Winter Recess Begins	Tuesday, 19 December	Tuesday, 18 December
<b>Intersession</b>		
	<b>Monday, 1 January</b>	<b>Tuesday, 1 January</b>
Intersession Begins	Thursday, 4 January	Thursday, 3 January
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, 15 January	Monday, 21 January
Intersession Ends	Wednesday, 24 January	Wednesday, 23 January
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 29 January	Monday, 28 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 19 - Saturday, 24 March	Monday, 18 - Saturday, 23 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 26 March	Monday, 25 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 11 May	Friday, 10 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 12 - 13 May	Saturday - Sunday, 11 - 12 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 14 - Saturday, 19 May	Monday, 13 - Saturday, 18 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 18 - Sunday, 20 May	Friday, 17 - Sunday, 19 May
<b>Spring Semester - Leap Year</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 29 January	Monday, 28 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 18 - Saturday, 23 March	Monday, 17 - Saturday, 22 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 25 March	Monday, 24 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 10 May	Friday, 9 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 11 - 12 May	Saturday - Sunday, 10 - 11 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 13 - Saturday, 18 May	Monday, 12 - Saturday, 17 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 17 - Sunday, 19 May	Friday, 16 - Sunday, 18 May
<b>Leap Year Sequence</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 5</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 6</b>

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<i>Sessions</i>	<i>Calendar 5</i>	<i>Calendar 6</i>
<b>Summer Sessions</b>		
Summer Session I - J	Tuesday, 28 May - Friday, 5 July	Tuesday, 27 May - Thursday, 3 July
Summer Session II - L	Monday, 24 June - Friday, 2 August	Monday, 23 June - Friday, 1 August
Summer Session III - M	Monday, 8 July - Friday, 16 August	Monday, 7 July - Friday, 15 August
Summer Session 9 Weeks	Tuesday, 28 May - Friday, 26 July	Tuesday, 27 May - Friday, 25 July
Summer Session 12 Weeks	Tuesday, 28 May - Friday, 16 August	Tuesday, 27 May - Friday, 15 August
Memorial Day; Independence Day	Monday, 27 May; Thursday, 4 July	Monday, 26 May; Friday, 4 July
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
Fall Semester Begins	Monday, 26 August	Monday, 25 August
Labor Day	Monday, 2 September	Monday, 1 September
Fall Recess	Wednesday, 27 - Saturday, 30 November	Wednesday, 26 - Saturday, 29 November
Classes Resume	Monday, 2 December	Monday, 1 December
Fall Semester Classes End	Friday, 6 December	Friday, 5 December
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 7 - 8 December	Saturday - Sunday, 6 - 7 December
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 9 - Monday, 16 December	Monday, 8 - Monday, 15 December
Winter Recess Begins	Tuesday, 17 December	Tuesday, 16 December
<b>Intersession</b>		
	<b>Wednesday, 1 January</b>	<b>Thursday, 1 January</b>
Intersession Begins	Monday, 6 January	Monday, 5 January
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, 20 January	Monday, 19 January
Intersession Ends	Friday, 24 January	Friday, 23 January
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 27 January	Monday, 26 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 17 - Saturday, 22 March	Monday, 16 - Saturday, 21 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 24 March	Monday, 23 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 9 May	Friday, 8 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 10 - 11 May	Saturday - Sunday, 9 - 10 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 12 - Saturday, 17 May	Monday, 11 - Saturday, 16 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 16 - Sunday, 18 May	Friday, 15 - Sunday, 17 May
<b>Spring Semester - Leap Year</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 27 January	Monday, 26 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 16 - Saturday, 21 March	Monday, 15 - Saturday, 20 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 23 March	Monday, 22 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 8 May	Friday, 7 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 9 - 10 May	Saturday - Sunday, 8 - 9 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 11 - Saturday, 16 May	Monday, 10 - Saturday, 15 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 15 - Sunday, 17 May	Friday, 14 - Sunday, 16 May
<b>Leap Year Sequence</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 7</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 1</b>

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<i>Sessions</i>	<i>Calendar 7</i>	<i>Calendar 1</i>
<b>Summer Sessions</b>		
Summer Session I - J	Tuesday, 26 May - Friday, 3 July	Tuesday, 1 June - Friday, 9 July
Summer Session II - L	Monday, 22 June - Friday, 31 July	Monday, 28 June - Friday, 6 August
Summer Session III - M	Monday, 6 July - Friday, 14 August	Monday, 12 July - Friday, 20 August
Summer Session 9 Weeks	Tuesday, 26 May - Friday, 24 July	Tuesday, 1 June - Friday, 30 July
Summer Session 12 Weeks	Tuesday, 26 May - Friday, 14 August	Tuesday, 1 June - Friday, 20 August
Memorial Day; Independence Day	Monday, 25 May; Saturday, 4 July	Monday, 31 May; Sunday, 4 July
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
Fall Semester Begins	Monday, 31 August	Monday, 30 August
Labor Day	Monday, 7 September	Monday, 6 September
Fall Recess	Wednesday, 25 - Saturday, 28 November	Wednesday, 24 - Saturday, 27 November
Classes Resume	Monday, 30 November	Monday, 29 November
Fall Semester Classes End	Friday, 11 December	Friday, 10 December
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 12 - 13 December	Saturday - Sunday, 11 - 12 December
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 14 - Monday, 21 December	Monday, 13 - Monday, 20 December
Winter Recess Begins	Tuesday, 22 December	Tuesday, 21 December
<b>Intersession</b>		
	<b>Friday, 1 January</b>	<b>Saturday, 1 January</b>
Intersession Begins	Monday, 4 January	Wednesday, 5 January
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, 18 January	Monday, 17 January
Intersession Ends	Friday, 22 January	Tuesday, 25 January
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 25 January	Monday, 31 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 15 - Saturday, 20 March	Monday, 21 - Saturday, 26 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 22 March	Monday, 28 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 7 May	Friday, 13 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 8 - 9 May	Saturday - Sunday, 14 - 15 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 10 - Saturday, 15 May	Monday, 16 - Saturday, 21 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 14 - Sunday, 16 May	Friday, 20 - Sunday, 22 May
<b>Spring Semester - Leap Year</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 25 January	Monday, 31 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 14 - Saturday, 19 March	Monday, 20 - Saturday, 25 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 21 March	Monday, 27 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 6 May	Friday, 12 May
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 7 - 8 May	Saturday - Sunday, 13 - 14 May
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 9 - Saturday, 14 May	Monday, 15 - Saturday, 20 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 13 - Sunday, 15 May	Friday, 19 - Sunday, 21 May
<b>Leap Year Sequence</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 2</b>	<b>Next: Calendar 3</b>

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**Appendix 1 — Comparative Calendars, 2013-14**

<i>Sessions</i>	<i>2013-14 Intersession</i>	<i>2013-14 Current</i>
<b>Summer Sessions</b>		
Summer Session I - J	Tuesday, 28 May - Friday, 5 July	Monday, 20 May - Friday, 28 June
Summer Session II - L	Monday, 24 June - Friday, 2 August	Monday, 24 June - Friday, 2 August
Summer Session III - M	Monday, 8 July - Friday, 16 August	Monday, 1 July - Friday, 9 August
Summer Session 9 Weeks	Tuesday, 28 May - Friday, 26 July	Monday, 20 May - Friday, 19 July
Summer Session 12 Weeks	Tuesday, 28 May - Friday, 16 August	Monday, 20 May - Friday, 9 August
Memorial Day; Independence Day	Monday, 27 May; Thursday, 4 July	Monday, 27 May; Thursday, 4 July
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
Fall Semester Begins	Monday, 26 August	Monday, 26 August
Labor Day	Monday, 2 September	Monday, 2 September
Fall Recess	Wednesday, 27 - Saturday, 30 November	Wednesday, 27 - Saturday, 30 November
Classes Resume	Monday, 2 December	Monday, 2 December
Fall Semester Classes End	Friday, 6 December	Friday, 6 December
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 7 - 8 December	Saturday - Sunday, 7 - 8 December
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 9 - Monday, 16 December	Monday, 9 - Monday, 16 December
Winter Recess Begins	Tuesday, 17 December	Tuesday, 17 December
<b>Intersession</b>		
	<b>Wednesday, 1 January</b>	
Intersession Begins	Monday, 6 January	
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, 20 January	Monday, 20 January
Intersession Ends	Friday, 24 January	
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 27 January	Monday, 13 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 17 - Saturday, 22 March	Monday, 10 - Saturday, 15 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 24 March	Monday, 17 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 9 May	Monday, 28 April
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 10 - 11 May	Tuesday - Wednesday, 29 - 30 April
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 12 - Saturday, 17 May	Thursday, 1 - Thursday, 8 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 16 - Sunday, 18 May	Thursday, 8 - Sunday, 11 May

**Appendix 2 — Comparative Calendars, 2014-15**

<i>Sessions</i>	<i>2014-15 Intersession</i>	<i>2014-15 Current</i>
<b>Summer Sessions</b>		
Summer Session I - J	Tuesday, 27 May - Thursday, 3 July	Monday, 19 May - Friday, 27 June
Summer Session II - L	Monday, 23 June - Friday, 1 August	Monday, 23 June - Friday, 1 August
Summer Session III - M	Monday, 7 July - Friday, 15 August	Monday, 30 June - Friday, 8 August
Summer Session 9 Weeks	Tuesday, 27 May - Friday, 25 July	Monday, 19 May - Friday, 18 July
Summer Session 12 Weeks	Tuesday, 27 May - Friday, 15 August	Monday, 19 May - Friday, 8 August
Memorial Day; Independence Day	Monday, 26 May; Friday, 4 July	Monday, 26 May; Friday, 4 July
<b>Fall Semester</b>		
Fall Semester Begins	Monday, 25 August	Monday, 25 August
Labor Day	Monday, 1 September	Monday, 1 September
Fall Recess	Wednesday, 26 - Saturday, 29 November	Wednesday, 26 - Saturday, 29 November
Classes Resume	Monday, 1 December	Monday, 1 December
Fall Semester Classes End	Friday, 5 December	Friday, 5 December
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 6 - 7 December	Saturday - Sunday, 6 - 7 December
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 8 - Monday, 15 December	Monday, 8 - Monday, 15 December
Winter Recess Begins	Tuesday, 16 December	Tuesday, 16 December
<b>Intersession</b>		
	<b>Thursday, 1 January</b>	
Intersession Begins	Monday, 5 January	
Martin Luther King Day	Monday, 19 January	Monday, 19 January
Intersession Ends	Friday, 23 January	
<b>Spring Semester</b>		
Spring Semester Begins	Monday, 26 January	Monday, 12 January
Spring Recess	Monday, 16 - Saturday, 21 March	Monday, 9 - Saturday, 14 March
Classes Resume	Monday, 23 March	Monday, 16 March
Spring Semester Classes End	Friday, 8 May	Monday, 27 April
Reading Days	Saturday - Sunday, 9 - 10 May	Tuesday - Wednesday, 28 - 29 April
Semester Final Exams	Monday, 11 - Saturday, 16 May	Thursday, 30 April - Thursday, 7 May
Commencement Weekend	Friday, 15 - Sunday, 17 May	Thursday, 7 - Sunday, 10 May