

Academic Calendars with January Intersessions

Seven University at Buffalo basic academic calendars are proposed to replace the current basic academic calendars, adding January Intersessions. 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.

Calendars Principal Features

- 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 3rd week to observe Martin Luther King Day. [*Cf.* Alternate Calendars Appendices 1, 2, *infra*, for alternatives and additional comments on Intersessions scheduling.]
- 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 [cf. 8. Summer Sessions Holiday Impacts infra].
- 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 21 24 January
 - Spring Semesters begin Mondays, 24 30 January
 - Spring Semester exams end Saturdays, 14 20 May
 - Commencement closes Sundays, 15 21 May
- 6. Recesses and Holidays:
 - Memorial Day 25 31 May
 - Independence Day 4 July
 - Labor Day 1 7 September

Fall Recesses begin Wednesdays of Thanksgiving week, 21 - 27 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 15 21 January
- Spring Recesses begin Mondays, 13 20 March, following the 7th class week
- 7. Intervals between Sessions:
 - Summer Sessions Fall Semesters Calendars 1 through 6 Fall Semesters begin 1 week after the end of preceding Summer Sessions. Calendar7 Fall Semesters begin 2 weeks after the end of preceding Summer Sessions.
 - January Intersessions Spring Semesters each Spring Semester begins the Monday following the last January Intersession class day. Calendars 1, 5, 6 and 7 end Intersessions Friday and begin Spring Semesters Monday. Calendars 2 through 4 end Intersessions Tuesday or Wednesday and begin Spring Semesters the following Monday.

Spring Semesters – Summer Sessions — Calendars 1 and 2 Summer Sessions begin 2 weeks after the end of preceding Spring Semester exams [this also applies for preceding leap year Spring Semesters]. Calendars 3 through 7 Summer Sessions begin 1 week after the end of preceding

Spring Semester exams. [*Cf.* Alternate Calendars — Appendices 1, 2, *infra*, for modification if Calendar 1A replaces Calendar 1.]

 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 2nd to Independence Day. Summer Sessions II loses 1 class day to Independence Day in most Calendars. Summer Sessions III loses none.

Alternate Calendars — Appendices 1, 2

Appendix 1, Calendar 1A:

Calendar 1A is a feasible alternate to Calendar 1. Calendars 1A and 1 are side by side [p. 7] for ease of comparison.

Calendar 1A Intersessions begin Wednesdays, 5 January, end Tuesdays, 25 January; Spring Semesters begin Mondays, 31 January, exams end Saturdays, 21 May; Commencements close Sundays, 22 May, 1 week before Memorial Day, 30 May. Calendar 1A has the latest Spring Semester 1st class day, exams end day, and Commencements. This schedule reduces the interval between Spring Semesters and subsequent Summer Sessions to 1 week. If 1A is adopted in place of 1, only Calendar 7 has 2-week intervals between its Spring Semesters and subsequent Summer Sessions.

Calendar 1 Intersessions begin Mondays, 3 January, following New Year's Day weekend to meet the requirements to begin Intersessions immediately after New Year's Day while having at least 2 weekday class days in the opening and closing weeks. Intersessions end Fridays, 21 January, and Spring Semesters begin Mondays, 24 January. Commencements close Sundays, 15 May. This schedule is 1 of 2 having 2-week intervals between Spring Semesters and subsequent Summer Sessions.

Appendix 2, Calendars 2A and 3A:

Calendars 2A and 3A are included [p. 8] for information; neither is recommended. Calendars 2A and 3A meet the requirements to begin Intersessions immediately after New Year's Day while having at least 2 weekday class days in the opening and closing weeks. New Year's Day at the beginning of the 1st Intersessions week — 2A Sunday, 3A Monday — has negative consequences for both.

- 1. Calendar 2A schedules Intersessions Monday, 2 January Friday, 20 January. New Year's Day Sunday sets Monday, 2 January, the 1st class day, as an official holiday.
- Calendar 3A schedules Intersessions Tuesday, 2 January Friday, 19 January. While Tuesday, 2 January, the 1st class day, is not an official holiday, it is often so regarded and considered. An additional shortcoming of this schedule: New Year's Day Monday reduces this Intersession to 13 class days, observing Martin Luther King Day, 15 January.

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Sessions

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Leap Year Sequence

Calendar 1

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Monday, 30 August Monday, 6 September Wednesday, 24 - Saturday, 27 November Monday, 29 November Friday, 10 December Saturday - Sunday, 11 - 12 December Monday, 13 - Monday, 20 December Tuesday, 21 December **Saturday, 1 January** Monday, 3 January Monday, 17 January

Monday, 24 January Monday, 14 - Saturday, 19 March Monday, 21 March Friday, 6 May Saturday - Sunday, 7 - 8 May Monday, 9 - Saturday, 14 May Friday, 13 - Sunday, 15 May

Friday, 21 January

Monday, 24 January Monday, 13 - Saturday, 18 March Monday, 20 March Friday, 5 May Saturday - Sunday, 6 - 7 May Monday, 8 - Saturday, 13 May Friday, 12 - Sunday, 14 May Next: Calendar 3

Calendar 2

Tuesday, 31 May - Friday, 8 July Monday, 27 June - Friday, 5 August Monday, 11 July - Friday, 19 August Tuesday, 31 May - Friday, 29 July Tuesday, 31 May - Friday, 19 August Monday, 30 May; Monday, 4 July

Monday, 29 August Monday, 5 September Wednesday, 23 - Saturday, 26 November Monday, 28 November Friday, 9 December Saturday - Sunday, 10 - 11 December Monday, 12 - Monday, 19 December Tuesday, 20 December Sunday, 1 January Wednesday, 4 January

Wednesday, 4 January Monday, 16 January Tuesday, 24 January

Monday, 30 January Monday, 20 - Saturday, 25 March Monday, 27 March Friday, 12 May Saturday - Sunday, 13 - 14 May Monday, 15 - Saturday, 20 May Friday, 19 - Sunday, 21 May

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Leap Year Sequence

Calendar 3

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Monday, 28 August Monday, 4 September Wednesday, 22 - Saturday, 25 November Monday, 27 November Friday, 8 December Saturday - Sunday, 9 - 10 December Monday, 11 - Monday, 18 December Tuesday, 19 December **Monday, 1 January** Thursday, 4 January Monday, 15 January Wednesday, 24 January

Monday, 29 January Monday, 19 - Saturday, 24 March Monday, 26 March Friday, 11 May Saturday - Sunday, 12 - 13 May Monday, 14 - Saturday, 19 May Friday, 18 - Sunday, 20 May

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Calendar 4

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Thursday, 3 January Monday, 21 January Wednesday, 23 January

Monday, 28 January Monday, 18 - Saturday, 23 March Monday, 25 March Friday, 10 May Saturday - Sunday, 11 - 12 May Monday, 13 - Saturday, 18 May Friday, 17 - Sunday, 19 May

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Leap Year Sequence

Calendar 5

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Monday, 26 August Monday, 2 September Wednesday, 27 - Saturday, 30 November Monday, 2 December Friday, 6 December Saturday - Sunday, 7 - 8 December Monday, 9 - Monday, 16 December Tuesday, 17 December Wednesday, 1 January Monday, 6 January

Monday, 6 January Monday, 20 January Friday, 24 January

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Monday, 25 May; Saturday, 4 July

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Appendix 1

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Summer Sessions Summer Session I - J

Summer Session II - L

Fall Semester Fall Semester Begins

Classes Resume

Reading Days

Intersession

Fall Semester Classes End

Semester Final Exams

Winter Recess Begins

Intersession Begins

Intersession Ends

Spring Semester Spring Semester Begins

Spring Recess

Reading Days

Spring Recess

Reading Days

Classes Resume

Classes Resume

Martin Luther King Day

Spring Semester Classes End

Semester Final Exams

Commencement Weekend

Spring Semester Begins

Semester Final Exams

Commencement Weekend

Leap Year Sequence

Spring Semester - Leap Year

Spring Semester Classes End

Labor Day

Fall Recess

Summer Session III - M

Summer Session 9 Weeks

Summer Session 12 Weeks

Memorial Day; Independence Day

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Appendix 2

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Calendar 2A

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Summer Sessions

Classes Resume Fall Semester Classes End **Reading Days** Semester Final Exams Winter Recess Begins Intersession **Intersession Begins** Martin Luther King Day Intersession Ends Spring Semester Spring Semester Begins Spring Recess **Classes Resume** Spring Semester Classes End **Reading Days** Semester Final Exams **Commencement Weekend** Spring Semester - Leap Year Spring Semester Begins Spring Recess **Classes Resume** Spring Semester Classes End **Reading Days** Semester Final Exams **Commencement Weekend**

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Sunday, 1 January Monday, 2 January **

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