

# KAUST ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2016-2017

	Sun Jul 3, 2016	Eid Al-Fitr break starts
	Thu Jul 7, 2016	Eid Al-Fitr break ends
	Sun Aug 7, 2016	On-boarding of students and cultural orientation starts
	Sat Aug 13, 2016	On-boarding of students and cultural orientation ends
	Sun Aug 14, 2016	Academic Orientation Starts
	Thu Aug 18, 2016	Academic Orientation Ends
<b>FALL</b>	Sun Aug 21, 2016	First Day of Classes
	Tue Aug 23, 2016	Academic Convocation
	Sat Aug 27, 2016	Last day to add a class
	Thu Sep 1, 2016	Last day to drop a class without a W grade
	Sun Sep 11, 2016	Eid Al-Adha break starts
	Sat Sep 17, 2016	Eid Al-Adha break ends
	Sun Sep 18, 2016	Classes resume
	Thu Sep 22, 2016	University holiday (in lieu of National Day)
	Thu Oct 27, 2016	Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)
		Last day for graduating PhDs to declare a Fall Dissertation Defense date
	Thu Nov 10, 2016	PhD Dissertation Defence Examination Result forms due for graduating PhDs
	Thu Dec 8, 2016	PhD Dissertation and MS Thesis library receipt forms due at Registrar's Office
	Thu Dec 8, 2016	Last Day of Classes
	Sun Dec 11, 2016	Exams Start
	Tue Dec 13, 2016	Exams End
	Tue Dec 13, 2016	Fall semester ends
	Fri Dec 16, 2016	Commencement
<b>WEP</b>	Sun Jan 8, 2017	Winter Enrichment Program starts
	Thu Jan 19, 2017	Winter Enrichment Program ends
<b>SPRING</b>	Sun Jan 22, 2017	First Day of Classes
	Sat Jan 28, 2017	Last day to add a class
	Thu Feb 2, 2017	Last day to drop a class without a W grade
	Thu Mar 23, 2017	Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)
		MS Thesis applications due
		Last day for graduating PhDs to declare a Spring Dissertation Defense date
	Sun Apr 2, 2017	Spring Break Starts
	Sat Apr 8, 2017	Spring Break Ends
	Sun Apr 9, 2017	Classes Resume
	Thu Apr 13, 2017	PhD Dissertation Defence Examination Result forms due for graduating PhDs
	Thu May 11, 2017	PhD Dissertation and MS Thesis library receipt forms due at Registrar's Office
	Thu May 11, 2017	Last Day of Classes
	Sun May 14, 2017	Exams Start
	Thu May 18, 2017	Exams End
	Thu May 18, 2017	Spring semester ends
	Thu Jun 15, 2017	Spring graduation date *
<b>SUMMER</b>	Sun Jun 4, 2017	First Day of Classes
	Tue Jun 6, 2017	Last day to drop a class with a without a W grade
	Sun Jun 25, 2017	Eid Al-Fitr break starts
	Thu Jun 29, 2017	Eid Al-Fitr break ends
	Thu Jul 13, 2017	Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)
	Thu Aug 3, 2017	Last Day of Classes

\* Reflects the official graduation date for those students who have completed their degree requirements since the December Commencement Ceremony.