

Office of the Registrar

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2021-2022

FALL SEMESTER & WINTER ENRICHMENT



جامعة الملك عبد الله
للعلوم والتقنية
King Abdullah University of
Science and Technology

		2021 AUGUST						
		sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
15-21	Student on-boarding and cultural orientation	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
15	Registered maintain full time status & stipend	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
22-26	Academic orientation	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
29	Fall semester starts	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
31	Academic convocation	29	30	31				

		SEPTEMBER						
		sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
9	Last day to add or drop a class without a W grade	1			1	2	3	4
9	Last day to submit application to graduate for fall graduation	2	5	6	7	8	9	10
9	Fall graduating Ph.D./M.Sc. dissertation/thesis defense dates due	3	12	13	14	15	16	17
22-23	University holiday/Saudi National Day	4	19	20	21	22	23	24
		5	26	27	28	29	30	25

		OCTOBER						
		sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
17-18	Mid-semester break						1	2
28	Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)	5	3	4	5	6	7	8
		6	10	11	12	13	14	15
		7	17	18	19	20	21	22
		8	24	25	26	27	28	29
		9	31					30
		10						

		2021 NOVEMBER						
		sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
			1	2	3	4	5	6
		7	8	9	10	11	12	13
		14	15	16	17	18	19	20
		21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		28	29	30				

		DECEMBER						
		sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
					1	2	3	4
		5	6	7	8	9	10	11
		12	13	14	15	16	17	18
		19	20	21	22	23	24	25
		26	27	28	29	30	31	

		2022 JANUARY						
		sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
								1
		2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		30	31					

TEACHING WEEK
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NOVEMBER	
11	Ph.D. dissertation defense examination result forms due for graduating Ph.D.'s
25	Last day to submit Ph.D. dissertations and M.Sc. theses to the Office of the Registrar for format checking

TEACHING WEEK
14
15
Exams

DECEMBER	
2	Ph.D. dissertation and M.Sc. thesis final approval forms due to the Office of the Registrar
9	Last day of classes
12-14	Examinations
14	Fall semester ends
17	Commencement

TEACHING WEEK
WEP
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JANUARY	
9-20	Winter Enrichment Program (WEP) Students must be registered to maintain full time status & stipend
20	
23	Spring semester starts

Orientation
 Semester
 WEP
 Deadlines
 Exams
 Mid-semester break
 KAUST Observed holidays



2022 JANUARY

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
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	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29
	30	31					

JANUARY

9-20 Winter Enrichment Program (WEP)
20 Students must be registered to maintain full time status & stipend
23 Spring semester starts

TEACHING WEEK

WEP

2022 MAY

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
	15	16	17	18	19	20	21
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28
	29	30	31				

TEACHING WEEK

MAY

1-5 Eid Al-Fitr
12 Last day of classes
15 Exams
15-18 Examinations/Summer ends
18 Spring semester ends
19 Students must be registered to maintain full time status & stipend
31 Last day to submit application to graduate for summer

2022 FEBRUARY

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
			1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	27	28					

FEBRUARY

2 Last day to add or drop a class without a W grade
3 Last day to submit application to graduate for spring graduation
5

2022 JUNE

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
				1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	26	27	28	29	30		

June

2 Last day to add or drop a class without a W grade
23 Spring graduation date: The official graduation date for those students who have completed their degree requirements since the December
30 Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)

2022 MARCH

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
			1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
	27	28	29	30	31		

MARCH

6-7 Mid-semester break
21 Univ Curriculum Com. meeting
24 Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)

2022 JULY

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
						1	2
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30
	31						

JULY

7 Ph.D. dissertation defense examination result forms due for graduating Ph.D.'s
7 Ph.D. dissertations and M.Sc. theses to the Office of the Registrar for format checking
10-14 Eid Al-Adha
21 Ph.D. dissertation and M.Sc. thesis final approval forms due to the Office of the Registrar

2022 APRIL

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
						1	2
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30

APRIL

4 Univ Curriculum Com. meeting
7 Ph.D. dissertation defense examination result forms due for graduating Ph.D.'s
21 Ph.D. dissertations and M.Sc. theses to the Office of the Registrar for format checking
28 Ph.D. dissertation and M.Sc. thesis final approval forms due to the Office of the Registrar

2022 AUGUST

	sun	mon	tue	wed	thur	fri	sat
		1	2	3	4	5	6
	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
	28	29	30	31			

AUGUST

14-20 Student on-boarding and cultural orientation
18 Students must be registered to maintain full time status & stipend
21-25 Academic orientation
28 Fall semester starts

Summer session
Exams
WEP
Deadlines
Semester
Mid-semester break
KAUST Observed holidays

KAUST ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2021-2022

	Sun, Jul 18	Eid Al-Adha break starts
	Thu, Jul 22	Eid Al-Adha break ends
	Sun, Aug 15	On-boarding of students and cultural orientation starts Students must be fully registered for fall to maintain their full time status & stipend
	Sat, Aug 21	On-boarding of students and cultural orientation ends
	Sun, Aug 22	Academic orientation starts
	Thu, Aug 26	Academic orientation ends
FALL	Sun, Aug 29	First day of classes
	Tue, Aug 31	Academic convocation
	Thu, Sep 9	Last day to add a class and drop a class without a W grade Last day to submit application to graduate for fall graduation Fall graduating Ph.D./MSc. dissertation/thesis defense dates due
	Wed, Sep 22	University holiday
	Thu, Sep 23	Saudi National Day
	Sun, Oct 17	Mid-semester break starts
	Mon, Oct 18	Mid-semester break ends
	Thu, Oct 28	Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)
	Thu, Nov 11	Ph.D. dissertation defense examination result forms due for graduating Ph.D.'s Last day to submit Ph.D. dissertations and M.Sc. theses to the Office of the Registrar for format checking
	Thu, Nov 25	Ph.D. dissertation and M.Sc. thesis final approval forms due to the Office of the Registrar
	Thu, Dec 2	Last day of classes
	Thu, Dec 9	Exams start
	Sun, Dec 12	Exams end / semester ends
	Tue, Dec 14	Commencement
	Fri, Dec 17	
WEP	Sun, Jan 9	Winter Enrichment Program starts
	Thu, Jan 20	Winter Enrichment Program ends Students must be fully registered for spring to maintain their full time status & stipend
SPRING	Sun, Jan 23	First day of classes
	Thu, Feb 3	Last day to add a class and drop a class without a W grade Last day to submit application to graduate for spring graduation
	Sun, Mar 6	Mid-semester break starts
	Mon, Mar 7	Mid-semester break ends
	Mon, Mar 21	University Curriculum Committee 1st meeting
	Thu, Mar 24	Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)
	Mon, Apr 4	University Curriculum Committee 2nd meeting
	Thu, Apr 7	Ph.D. dissertation defense examination result forms due for graduating Ph.D.'s
	Thu, Apr 21	Last day to submit Ph.D. dissertations and M.Sc. theses to the Office of the Registrar for format
	Thu, Apr 28	Ph.D. dissertation and M.Sc. thesis final approval forms due to the Office of the Registrar
	Sun, May 1	Eid Al-Fitr break starts
	Thu, May 5	Eid Al-Fitr break ends
	Thu, May 12	Last day of classes
	Sun, May 15	Exams start
	Wed, May 18	Exams end / semester ends
	Thu, May 19	Students must be fully registered for summer to maintain their full time status & stipend
SUMMER	Sun, May 29	First day of classes
	Tue, May 31	Last day to submit application to graduate for summer
	Thu, Jun 2	Last day to add or drop a class without a W grade
	Thu, Jun 23	Spring graduation date *
	Thu, Jun 30	Last day to drop a class with a W grade (no drops permitted after this date)
	Thu, Jul 7	Ph.D. dissertation defense examination result forms due for graduating Ph.D.'s Last day to submit Ph.D. dissertations and M.Sc. theses to the Office of the Registrar for format
	Sun, Jul 10	Eid Al-Adha break starts
	Thu, Jul 14	Eid Al-Adha break ends
	Thu, Jul 21	Ph.D. dissertation and M.Sc. thesis final approval forms due to the Office of the Registrar
	Thu, Jul 28	Last day of classes / semester ends

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

This calendar may be subject to change without notice. Please consult the on-line academic calendar on the Registrar's webpage