



ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026-2027

	Weeks	From	To	Description
FALL SEMESTER		10-Aug-26	14-Aug-26	Clinical Faculty (RAKCOMS) should report by 10th August
		17-Aug-26	21-Aug-26	All Faculty and Academic Administrators report by 17th August MD year 5 students will start 20th Aug 2026 - Convocation BDS
	1	24-Aug-26	28-Aug-26	24 th Aug - Regular Teaching Starts for Existing Students - All Programs 26 th & 27 th Aug - Freshmen registration and Orientation for All programs (Including Masters)
	2	31-Aug-26	4-Sep-26	31 st Aug - Year 1 Regular Teaching Starts
	3	7-Sep-26	11-Sep-26	Teaching Week End Rotation exam for MD Year 5 Suggested week for Placement Test (English)
	4	14-Sep-26	18-Sep-26	Teaching Week Suggested week for Placement Test (Arabic) 17 th Sep - International Day of University Sport (IDUS)
	5	21-Sep-26	25-Sep-26	25 th Sep - World Pharmacists Day 25 th Sep - Last day for Add / Drop 25 th Sep - Last day for withdrawal from Fall semester Teaching Week
	6	28-Sep-26	2-Oct-26	Teaching Week
	7	5-Oct-26	9-Oct-26	Teaching Week End Rotation exam for MD Year 5 Mental Health Day Breast Cancer Awareness Day (Pink October)
	8	12-Oct-26	16-Oct-26	12 th Oct – 15 th Oct - Fresher's Week, Sports Competition Teaching Week
	9	19-Oct-26	23-Oct-26	Midterm Exam for (Fall Semester & Annual Courses) / Master Programs 23 rd Oct - Book Fair
	10	26-Oct-26	30-Oct-26	Teaching Week Allocated week for resit midterm examinations for MD students
	11	2-Nov-26	6-Nov-26	3 rd Nov - Flag Day 4 th Nov - Career Fair (Afternoon) End Rotation exam for MD Year 5
	12	9-Nov-26	13-Nov-26	Teaching Week
	13	16-Nov-26	20-Nov-26	Teaching Week 16 th / 20 th Nov - Last day for Submission of CA marks and attendance for Fall 20 th Nov-Submission of End Semester question papers
	14	23-Nov-26	27-Nov-26	25 th Nov - The 55 th UAE National Day Celebration
	15	30-Nov-26	4-Dec-26	1 st & 2 nd Dec UAE National Day End Rotation exam for MD Year 5 Revision / Makeup Exam End Semester Exam for Fall Semester Courses for all programs
	16	7-Dec-26	11-Dec-26	Continuous Assessment for MD Year 5 Final Exams for Fall Semester courses
	17	14-Dec-26	18-Dec-26	Final Exams for Fall Semester courses Continuous Assessment for MD Year 5
		21-Dec-26	25-Dec-26	Winter Break for Students SIDC - Faculty Development Week
		28-Dec-26	1-Jan-27	Winter Break for Students Winter Break for Students, Faculty & Academic Administrators



SPRING SEMESTER	1	4-Jan-27	8-Jan-27	4 th Jan - Spring Semester Begins for all programs 5 th Jan - Orientation for Spring Admission
	2	11-Jan-27	15-Jan-27	14 th Jan - Last day for Add/Drop 15 th Jan - Last day for withdrawal from Spring semester 15 th Jan - RAKMHSU Awards Day (From 03:00 - 05:00 pm)
	3	18-Jan-27	22-Jan-27	21st Jan - Convocation for Diploma & Pharmacy
	4	25-Jan-27	29-Jan-27	Science Exhibition 25 th – 29 th Jan End rotation exam for MD Year 5 Teaching Week
	5	1-Feb-27	5-Feb-27	4 th Feb - The 16 th RAKMHSU Mini-Marathon
	6	8-Feb-27	12-Feb-27	Suggested week for Mock fire Drill
	7	15-Feb-27	19-Feb-27	Teaching Week
	8	22-Feb-27	26-Feb-27	Midterm exam for (Spring Semester & Annual Courses) / Master Programs End rotation exam for MD Year 4 & 5
	9	1-Mar-27	5-Mar-27	Midterm exam for (Spring Semester & Annual Courses) / Master Programs Continuous Assessment for MD Year 5 4 th Mar - International Dental Assistant's Day
	10	8-Mar-27	12-Mar-27	Eid Al-Fitr Holiday
	11	15-Mar-27	19-Mar-27	Allocated week for resit midterm examinations for MD students
	12	22-Mar-27	26-Mar-27	22 nd – 26 th Mar - President Sports Excellence Medal 22 nd Mar - Classes resume after Spring Break 26 th Mar - UAE National Sports Day Teaching Week
	13	29-Mar-27	2-Apr-27	RAKMHSU - Alumni Meet 1 st April - RAKMHSU Cultural Day (Full Day Activity)
		5-Apr-27	9-Apr-27	Spring Break for Students, Faculty & Academic Administrators
	14	12-Apr-27	16-Apr-27	15 th April - IFOM Exam for Basic Sciences End rotation exam for MD Year 4 & 5 Community Engagement Activities Activity Clubs Events
	15	19-Apr-27	23-Apr-27	Teaching Week
	16	26-Apr-27	30-Apr-27	28 th – 29 th April 2027 - The 17 th RAKMHSU Students Scientific Conference 30 th Apr - Last day for submission of End Year Questions
	17	3-May-27	7-May-27	Final Exams for all programs
	18	10-May-27	14-May-27	Final Exams for all programs End rotation exam for MD Year 4 & 5 International Nurses Week
	19	17-May-27	21-May-27	Clinical Rotation for MD Arafat Day / Eid al-Adha Holiday
		24-May-27	28-May-27	Final Exams for MD Year 4 & 5 24 th May Annual vacation begins 28 th May - Announcement of Results 28 th May - Issue of LOC / Transcript
Summer Semester		24-May-27	2-Jul-27	Summer Semester (Classes begin) for BDS Year 4
☒	15th / 16th Jun - RAKMHSU Convocation			
☒	Holidays for Eid Al Fitr will be from 29 Ramadan to 3 Shawwal (tentatively corresponding to 9–12 March 2027), and for Arafah Day and Eid Al Adha from 9 to 12 Thu Al Hijjah (tentatively corresponding to 15–18 May 2027). Islamic holidays are tentative and subject to change based on moon sighting.			
☒	The university may extend semesters or academic periods to compensate for lost teaching days resulting from unscheduled closings, holidays, or future directives from the Ministry of Education. The university might also schedule Saturday classes, with prior notice, to cover teaching weeks.			
☒	End Semester/Year Examinations may be scheduled giving at least a daybreak but not for Continuous Assessments /Repeat exams, examinations can also be planned on Saturdays/Holidays.			
☒	Provisionally Remedial 1 / Repeat1 Examinations (Spring Semester) will be held in June/July 2027.			