2026/27
ACADEMIC CALENDAR

VCUarts QATAR

FALL TERM

AUGUST 2026

16-20	Su–Th	New Student Orientation
16	Su	Academic/Administrative Council Meeting. (AAC)
17	Mo	Opening of Academic Year / All Faculty and Staff Assembly
23	Su	**Fall classes begin**
27	Th	Add/Drop ends at 3:00pm

SEPTEMBER 2026

4	Fr	Deadline to submit December 2026 Graduation Applications

OCTOBER 2026

4-8	Su-Th	Midterms *(classes continue throughout)*
11-15	Su-Th	**Fall Break** *(For Students/Faculty only. Administrative Offices remain open)*
12	Mo	Midterm Grades due in eServices
TBD		TASMEEM DOHA – ART & DESIGN CONFERENCE. *(All Faculty/Students attend.)*
15	Th	Deadline to Withdraw from Fall 2026 course(s) Deadline to select P/F Grade Option for Fall 2026 course(s)
27	Tu	Spring 2027 Course Registration opens for first group *(Registration staggered by merit and seniority)*

NOVEMBER 2026

DECEMBER 2026

3	Th	**Last Day of Classes** Deadline for Faculty to submit Spring/Summer 2026 Change-of-I-Grade Forms Deadline for ERS to convert Spring/Summer 2026 I-Grades
6-10	Su-Th	Final Examinations
14	M	Final Grades due in eServices Deadline to submit Fall 2026 I-Grade Requests
18	Fr	Qatar National Day

SPRING TERM

JANUARY 2027

TBD		Offices reopen for Staff. *(Check VCUQ HR Pay & Holiday Calendar)*
5	Tu	**Spring classes begin**
11	Mo	Add/Drop ends at 3:00pm
29	Fr	Deadline to submit May 2027 Graduation Applications

FEBRUARY 2027

7	Su	Ramadan (until March 8). (*Subject to change!*)
9	Tu	National Sports Day *(Offices closed. No classes.)*
16-22	Tu-Mo	Midterms *(Classes continue throughout)*
25	Th	Midterm Grades due in eServices

MARCH 2027

4	Th	Deadline to Withdraw from Spring 2027 course(s) Deadline to select P/F Grade Option for Spring 2027 course(s)
7-11	Su-Th	Eid/Spring Break. *Eid-al-Fitr to coincide, in part, with Spring Break. Administrative offices closed for Eid only. Check VCUQ HR Pay & Holiday Calendar*
30	Tue	Fall 2027 Course Registration opens for first group *(Registration staggered by merit and seniority)*

APRIL 2027

13	Tu	**Last Day of Classes** Deadline for Faculty to submit Fall 2026 Change-of-I- Grade Forms Deadline for ERS to convert Fall 2026 I-Grades
14-15	We-Th	Reading Days
18-22	Su-Th	Final Examinations

MAY 2027

3	Mo	Final Grades due in eServices Deadline to submit Spring 2027 I-Grade Requests
3	Mo	VCUarts Qatar Commencement Ceremony
4	Tu	QF / Education City Convocation Ceremony

SUMMER TERM

International Study Trips:
VCUQ's Credit-bearing International Study Trips may run between Tuesday, **May 30** and Thursday, **August 13**, 2027.

SUMMER SESSION #1 2027

May 30 - June 17		**Summer Session #1** - *Three Weeks*
May 30	Su	Add/Drop ends
June 8	Tu	Deadline to Withdraw from Summer #1 course(s) Deadline to select P/F Grade for Summer #1 course(s)

SUMMER SESSION #2 2027

June 20 - July 8		**Summer Session #2** - *Three Weeks*
June 20	Su	Add/Drop ends
June 29	Tu	Deadline to Withdraw from Summer #2 course(s) Deadline to select P/F Grade for Summer #2 course(s)

SUMMER SESSION #3 2027

May 30 - July 1		**Summer Session #3** - *Five Weeks*
May 30	Su	Add/Drop ends
June 15	Tu	Deadline to Withdraw from Summer #3 course(s) Deadline to select P/F Grade for Summer #3 course(s)

JUNE 2027

JULY 2027

2	Fr	Deadline to submit August 2027 Graduation Applications
8	Th	Final Grades due in eServices Deadline to submit Summer 2027 I-Grade Requests

PROJECTED - Subject to Change without Notice

Ramadan	From Sunday, February 7 to Monday, March 8, 2027
Eid El Fitr	From Monday, March 8 to Tuesday, March 9, 2027
Eid Al Adha	From Sunday, May 16 to Thursday, May 20, 2027