

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2025-2026

The academic year 2025-2026 opens on **August 25, 2025** and closes on **August 22, 2026**.

The academic year consists of 2 semesters:

- Courses for the 1st semester will be completed at the end of November, followed by an exam period in December.
- Courses for the 2nd semester start at the end of February, followed by an exam period in June.

Yearlong courses cover 2 semesters. For Ba1 yearlong courses, a partial examination can be taken in December, 2025. Resit exams for yearlong courses fall in August, 2026 only.

Resit exams are organized for the first-term courses in February, 2026 and for the second-term courses in August, 2026.

Catch-up weeks are for revision classes or additional exercises.

Bachelor 1 and Bachelor 2

SEMESTER 1	
Monday August 25 th , 2025	Start of the 2025-2026 academic year
Mon 2025/08/25 up to and including Sat 2025/11/15	12 weeks of first-term education activities (Fall semester)
Mon 2025/11/17 up to and including Sat 2025/11/22	1 week of catch-up activities
Mon 2025/11/24 up to and including Sat 2025/12/20	4 weeks first-term exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preparation time for the exams • exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Mon 2025/12/22 up to and including Sat 2026/01/31	6 weeks of winter holidays
Mon 2026/02/02 up to and including Thu 2026/02/26 Week of 2026/02/16: including Seollal (Korean New Year) Holidays	3 weeks of first-term resit exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • resit exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
SEMESTER 2	
Fri 2026/02/27 up to and including Sat 2026/05/23 (Start date: 2026/02/27 (Exceptional Replacement of 2026/03/02))	12 weeks of second-term education activities (Spring semester)
Mon 2026/05/25 up to and including Sat 2026/05/30	1 week of catch-up activities
Mon 2026/06/01 up to and including Sat 2026/06/27	4 weeks second-term exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preparation time for the exams • exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Mon 2026/06/29 up to and including Sat 2026/08/01	5 weeks of summer holidays
Mon 2026/08/03 until Sat 2026/08/22	3 weeks of second-term resit exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • resit exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Monday August 24 th , 2026	Start of the 2026-2027 academic year

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SEMESTER 1	
Monday August 25 th , 2025	Start of the 2025-2026 academic year
Mon 2025/08/25 up to and including Sat 2025/11/15	12 weeks of first-term education activities (Fall semester)
Mon 2025/11/17 up to and including Sat 2025/11/22	1 week of catch-up activities
Mon 2025/11/24 up to and including Sat 2025/12/20	4 weeks first-term exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • preparation time for the exams • exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Mon 2025/12/22 up to and including Sat 2026/01/31	6 weeks of winter holidays
Mon 2026/02/02 up to and including Thu 2026/02/26 Week of 2026/02/16: including Seollal (Korean New Year) Holidays	3 weeks of first-term resit exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • resit exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
SEMESTER 2	
Fri 2026/02/27 up to and including Sat 2026/03/21 (Start date: 2026/02/27 (Exceptional Replacement of 2026/03/02))	3 weeks of second-term education activities (1st block)
Mon 2026/03/23 up to and including Sat 2026/03/28	1 week of self-study and exam
Mon 2026/03/30 up to and including Sat 2026/04/18	3 weeks of second-term education activities (2nd block)
Mon 2026/04/20 up to and including Sat 2026/04/25	1 week of self-study and exam
Mon 2026/04/27 up to and including Sat 2026/05/16	3 weeks of second-term education activities (3rd block)
Mon 2026/05/18 up to and including Sat 2026/05/23	1 week of self-study and exam
Mon 2026/05/25 up to and including Sat 2026/06/13	3 weeks of second-term education activities (4th block)
Mon 2026/06/15 up to and including Sat 2026/06/27	2 weeks of second-term exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Mon 2026/06/29 up to and including Sat 2026/08/01	5 weeks of summer holidays
Mon 2026/08/03 until Sat 2026/08/22	3 weeks of second-term resit exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • resit exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Monday August 24 th , 2026	Start of the 2026-2027 academic year

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SEMESTER 1 (in GHENT)	
Monday September 22 nd , 2025	Start of the 2025-2026 academic year
Mon 2025/09/22 up to and including Sat 2025/12/13	12 weeks of first-term education activities (Fall semester)
Mon 2025/12/15 up to and including Sat 2025/12/20	1 week of catch-up activities
Mon 2025/12/22 up to and including Sat 2026/01/03	2 weeks of Christmas holidays
Mon 2026/01/05 up to and including Sat 2026/01/31	4 weeks of first-term exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • exams • public announcement of the results up to and including Sat 2026/02/14
Mon 2026/02/02 up to and including Thu 2026/02/26 Week of 2026/02/16: including Seollal (Korean New Year) Holidays	4 weeks of inter-term break
SEMESTER 2 (at GUGC)	
Fri 2026/02/27 up to and including Sat 2026/03/21 (Start date: 2026/02/27 (Exceptional Replacement of 2026/03/02))	3 weeks of second-term education activities (1st block)
Mon 2026/03/23 up to and including Sat 2026/03/28	1 week of self-study and exam
Mon 2026/03/30 up to and including Sat 2026/04/18	3 weeks of second-term education activities (2nd block)
Mon 2026/04/20 up to and including Sat 2026/04/25	1 week of self-study and exam
Mon 2026/04/27 up to and including Sat 2026/05/16	3 weeks of second-term education activities (3rd block)
Mon 2026/05/18 up to and including Sat 2026/05/23	1 week of self-study and exam
Mon 2026/05/25 up to and including Sat 2026/06/13	3 weeks of second-term education activities (4th block)
Mon 2026/06/15 up to and including Sat 2026/06/27	2 weeks of second-term exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Mon 2026/06/29 up to and including Sat 2026/08/01	5 weeks of summer holidays
Mon 2026/08/03 until Sat 2026/08/22	3 weeks of second-term resit exam period comprised of <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • resit exams • public announcement of the results • feedback moments
Monday August 24 th , 2026	Start of the 2026-2027 academic year

During the catch-up week, the following activities may be held:

- education activities, if they could not take place during the prescribed period of time due to circumstances of force majeure;
- revision classes and/or additional exercises;
- the assessments as stipulated in Article 35 §4.

Education activities and assessments are suspended during the Christmas and winter holidays, the inter-term break, the summer holidays, as well as on the following closing days:

- Friday, 2025/10/03, National Foundation Day
- Sunday, 2025/10/05, Chuseok (Korean Thanksgiving Day) Day 1
- Monday, 2025/10/06, Chuseok (Korean Thanksgiving Day) Day 2
- Tuesday, 2025/10/07, Chuseok (Korean Thanksgiving Day) Day 3
- Wednesday, 2025/10/08, Substitute holiday
- Thursday, 2025/10/09, Hangeul Day
- Thursday, 2025/12/25, Christmas break up to and including Thursday, 2026/01/01, New Year's Day
- Monday, 2026/02/16, Seollal (Korean New Year) Day 1
- Tuesday, 2026/02/17, Seollal (Korean New Year) Day 2
- Wednesday, 2026/02/18, Seollal (Korean New Year) Day 3
- Sunday, 2026/03/01, Korean Independence Movement Day
- Monday, 2026/03/02, Substitute holiday
- Friday, 2026/03/20, Dies Natalis
- Friday, 2026/05/01, Labour Day
- Tuesday, 2026/05/05, Children's Day
- Sunday, 2026/05/24, Buddha's Birthday
- Monday, 2026/05/25, Substitute holiday
- Saturday, 2026/06/06, Memorial Day
- Saturday, 2026/08/15, Liberation Day
- Monday, 2026/08/17, Substitute holiday