



Religious Observances September 2021–August 2022

The university has a legal obligation to take reasonable measures to accommodate employees and students who request time off for religious observances for which a day of observance is not provided by statute. If you need an accommodation for a religious or spiritual observance, it is important to provide reasonable advance notice of your intended absence.

***Bold** indicates high holydays. University community members please consider alternate days when planning significant events.

You can also find more information of all religious or spiritual celebrations in the Interfaith Calendar <https://www.interfaith-calendar.org/>

For descriptions of these holidays, please visit: <https://www.interfaithcalendar.org/calendardefinitions.htm>

2021 (September – December)

Sept 7-8	Rosh Hashanah (Jewish)
Sept 16	Yom Kippur (Jewish)
Sept 21-27	Sukkot (Jewish) only Sept 21-22 are no class, no work days.
Sept 22	Fall Equinox Mabon (Wiccan)
Sept 28	Shmini Atzeret (Jewish)
Sept 29	Simhat Torah (Jewish)
Sept 30	Orange Shirt Day (Canada)
Oct 7-14	Navaratri (Hindu)
Nov 6	Birth of the Báb (Bahá'í)
Nov 7	Birth of Bahá'u'lláh (Bahá'í)
Oct 15	Dasara (Hindu)
Oct 20	Installation of Sri Guru Granth (Sikh)
Oct 31	Samhain (Wiccan)
Nov 4	Diwali– Deepavali (Hindu Jain Sikh)
Nov 19	Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Sahib (Sikh)
Nov 24	Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahdur (Sikh)
Nov 29-Dec 6	H



2022 (January – August)

Jan 5	Guru Gobindh Singh birthday (Sikh)
Jan 13	Maghi(Sikh)
Feb 2	Imbolc/Lughnassad (Wiccan)
Feb 15	Nirvana Day (Buddhism)
Feb 5	Vasant Panchami (Hindu)
Mar 1	Maha Shivaratri (Hindu)
Mar 2-20	Period of the Fast (Bahá'í) (although an observant would not be expected to refrain from work, it is 19 days of fasting from sunrise to sunset ending with-Rúz)
Mar 18	Holi (Hindu)
Mar 21	Naw-Rúz(Bahá'í)
Mar 21	Spring Equinox/Ostara (Wiccan)
Mar 30	Magha Puja Day(Buddhist)
Apr 2	Hindu New Year (Hindu)
Apr 3-May 2	Ramadan (Muslim) (although an observant would not be expected to refrain from work, it is a month of fasting throughout daylight hours ending with Eid al-Fitr)
Apr 14	Baisakhi/Vaisakhi (Sikh)
Apr 15	Good Friday (Christian)
Apr 16-Apr 23	Pesach / Passover (Jewish), an eight day period. The first and last two days are no work, no class days.
Apr 17	Easter Sunday (Christian)
Apr 21	First Day of Ridván (Bahá'í)
Apr 29	Ninth Day of Ridván(Bahá'í)
May 1	Beltane (Wiccan)
May 2	Twelfth Day of Ridván (Bahá'í)
May 3	Eid al-Fitr (Muslim)
May 24	Declaration of the Báb(Bahá'í)
May 29	Ascension of Bahá'u'lláh(Bahá'í)
June 5	Shavu'ot(Jewish)
June 16	Guru Arjan martyrdom (Sikh)
June 21	Summer Solstice/Litha (Wiccan)
June 21	National Indigenous Peoples Day (Canada)
Jul 10	Martyrdom of the Báb (Bahá'í)
Jul 10	Eid al-Adha (Muslim)
Jul 13	Obon-Ulambana (Buddhist)
Jul 26	Asalha Puja Day(Buddhist)
Aug 1	Lammas/Lughnasadh (Wiccan)
Aug 19	