The University of Victoria operates under the authority of the University Act (RSBC 1996 c. 468) which provides for a Convocation, Board of Governors, Senate and Faculties. The University Act describes the powers and responsibilities of those bodies, as well as the duties of the officers of the University. Copies of this Act are held in the University Library.

The official academic year begins on May 1. Changes in Calendar regulations take effect May 1, September 1, and January 1 of each academic year unless otherwise approved by the Senate. Nevertheless, the University reserves the right to revise or cancel at any time any rule or regulation published in this Calendar or its supplements. The Calendar is published three times per year in the spring (effective May 1), summer (effective September 1) and winter (effective January 1) by the Office of the Registrar, Student Affairs, under authority granted by the Senate of the University.
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### Academic Year Important Dates

In recognition of the fact that the University of Victoria is a diverse community, the Office of Equity and Human Rights has compiled a list of high holy days available at their website. Faculty and staff may wish to refer to this list in responding to requests from members of religious groups for variations in examination schedules due to religious observances.

#### 2018/2019 Official Academic Year Begins

**Summer Session - 2018**

See Summer Studies website for complete dates [www.uvic.ca/summer](http://www.uvic.ca/summer)

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#### Winter Session - First Term

**September 2018**

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<td>5</td>
<td>Wednesday First term classes begin for all faculties</td>
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<td>13</td>
<td>Thursday Last day for course changes in Faculty of Law</td>
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<td>18</td>
<td>Tuesday Last day for graduate students to register in a personal leave in first term</td>
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<td>Last day for 100% reduction of tuition fees for standard first term and full year courses. 50% of tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date².</td>
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<td>Friday Last day for adding courses that begin in the first term.</td>
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<td>Monday Thanksgiving Day¹</td>
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<td>Tuesday Last day for 50% reduction of tuition fees for standard courses. 100% of tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date³.</td>
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<td>17</td>
<td>Wednesday Senate Committee on Academic Standards meets to approve Convocation lists</td>
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<td>13 &amp; 14</td>
<td>Tuesday and Wednesday Fall Convocation</td>
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<tr>
<td>6</td>
<td>Thursday Last day of classes in the first term for Faculty of Law</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Friday Senate meets</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>Saturday First-term examinations begin, except Faculty of Human and Social Development and Faculty of Law².</td>
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<td>10</td>
<td>Monday First term examinations begin in the Faculty of Law</td>
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<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td>Saturday Undergraduate deadline to apply to graduate for Spring Convocation</td>
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<td>22</td>
<td>Saturday First term examinations end for all faculties</td>
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### Winter Session - Second Term

#### January 2019

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<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>New Year's Day¹</td>
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<td>7</td>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>Second term classes begin for all faculties</td>
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<td>Friday</td>
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| 20    | Sunday   | Last day for graduate students to register in a personal leave in second term  
|       |          | Last day for 100% reduction of second term fees for standard courses. 50% of tuition fees will be assessed for courses dropped after this date. For non-standard courses see www.uvic.ca/course-registration/add-drop |
| 23    | Wednesday| Last day for adding courses that begin in the second term             |
| 31    | Thursday | Last day for paying second term fees without penalty                  |

#### February 2019

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<td>18-22</td>
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**End of Winter Session**

### 2019/2020 Official Academic Year Begins

#### Summer Session - 2019

See Summer Studies website for complete dates www.uvic.ca/summer

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| 13    | Monday   | Last day for course changes (Faculty of Law only)³                   
|       |          | May and May-June courses begin                                       |
| 19    | Sunday   | Last day for graduate students to register in a personal leave in summer |
| 20    | Monday   | Victoria Day¹                                                        |
| 23    | Thursday | Senate Committee on Academic Standards meets to approve Convocation lists |
| 31    | Friday   | Fees deadlines for summer (see "Add and Drop Dates for Standard Summer Courses" on page 73) |

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<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>May-August examinations begin for all faculties</td>
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