

Carnegie Mellon University Africa
2025-2026 Official Academic Calendar

Fall 2025 Official Calendar									
Semester: (M-14, T-14, W-13, Th-13, F-13) Total=67 Mini-1: (M-7, T-7, W-7, Th-7, F-7) Total=35; Mini-2: (M-7, T-7, W-6, Th-6, F-6) Total=32									
Month	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		week #
August	24	25 First Day of Classes	26	27	28	29 Mini-1 add, audit, & tuition adjust. drop deadline (1)	30		1
	September	31	1 Labor Day University Closed - Pittsburgh	2	3	4	5	6	
7		8 Semester add, audit, & tuition adjust. drop deadline (1)	9	10	11	12	13		3
14		15 Professional Development Week	16 Professional Development Week	17 Mini-1 drop deadline Withdrawal grade assigned after this date (2) Professional Development Week	18 Professional Development Week	19 Professional Development Week	20		4
21		22	23	24	25	26	27		5

October	28	29 Mini-1 pass/no pass & W grade deadline (3) Mini-1 FCEs open	30	1	2	3	4	6
	5	6 Semester drop deadline W grade assigned after this date (2)	7	8	9	10 Last Day of Mini-1 Classes Mini-1 voucher deadline (4)	11 Mini-1 Exams Mini-1 FCEs close	7
	12	13 Fall Break No Classes	14 Fall Break No Classes	15 Fall Break No Classes	16 Fall Break No Classes	17 Fall Break No Classes	18	
	19	20 First Day of Mini-2 Classes	21	22 Mid-Semester & Mini-1 grades due at 4 pm	23	24 Mini-2 add, audit, & tuition adj. drop deadline (1)	25	8

November	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	9
	2	3	4 Democracy Day No Classes - Pittsburgh Evening classes after 5pm will still meet	5	6	7	8	10
	9	10 Semester pass/no pass & W grade deadline (3)	11	12 Mini-2 drop deadline W grade assigned after this date (2)	13	14	15	11
	16	17	18 Spring 2026 Registration open for masters students	19	20	21	22	12
	23	24 Mini-2 pass/no pass & withdrawal deadline (3) Semester & Mini-2 FCEs open	25	26 No classes Thanksgiving Break	27 No classes Thanksgiving Break	28 No classes Thanksgiving Break	29	13

December	30	1	2	3	4	5 Last Day of Classes Semester & Mini-2 voucher deadline (4)	6	14
	7	8 Final Exams	9 Final Exams	10 Reading Day	11 Final Exams	12 Final Exams	13 Reading Day	15
	14 Final Exams Semester & Mini-2 FCEs close	15 Make Up Final Exams	16	17 Fall Grades Due at 4 pm	18	19	20	16
	21	22	23	24 University Closed Christmas Day	25 University Closed Boxing day	26	27	

Spring 2026 Official Calendar									
Semester: (M-13, T-14, W-14, Th-13, F-10) Total=64 Mini-3: (M-6, T-7, W-7, Th-7, F-7) Total=34; Mini-4: (M-7, T-7, W-7, Th-7, F-4) Total=32									
Month	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday		week #
January	28	29	30	31 University Closed	1 University Closed	2	3		
	4	5 Fall Deans' Lists posted	6	7	8	9	10		
	11	12 First Day of Classes	13	14	15	16 Mini-3 add, audit, & tuition adjust. drop deadline (1)	17		1
	18	19 University Closed - Pittsburgh MLK Jr Day	20	21	22	23	24		2
	25	26 Semester add, audit, & tuition adjust. drop deadline (1)	27	28	29	30	31 Rwanda National Heroes' Day		3

February	1	2 No classes - Rwanda National Heroes' Day Observed	3	4 Mini-3 drop deadline W grade assigned after this date (2)	5	6	7	4
	8	9 Professional Development Week	10 Professional Development Week	11 Professional Development Week	12 Professional Development Week	13 Professional Development Week	14	5
	15	16 Mini-3 pass/no pass & withdrawal deadline (3) Mini-3 FCEs open	17	18	19	20	21	6
	22	23 Semester drop deadline Withdrawal grade assigned after this date	24	25	26	27 Last Day of Mini-3 Classes Mini-3 voucher deadline (4)	28 Mini-3 Exams Mini-3 FCEs close	7

March	1	2 First Day of Mini-4 Classes (Rwanda) Spring Break - Pittsburgh	3 Spring Break - Pittsburgh	4 Spring Break - Pittsburgh	5 Spring Break - Pittsburgh	6 Internship & Career Fair Event Spring Break - Pittsburgh	7	8
	8	9 First Day of Mini-4 Classes - Pittsburgh	10	11 Mid-Semester & Mini-3 grades due at 4 pm	12	13 Mini-4 add, audit, & tuition adjust. drop deadline (1)	14	9
	15	16	17	18	19	20 Eid al-Fitr; No Classes - Rwanda (TBC)	21	10
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	11

April	29	30 Semester pass/no pass & W grade deadline	31	1 Mini-4 course drop deadline W grade assigned after this date (2)	2	3 No Classes - Rwanda Good Friday	4	12
	5 Easter	6 No Classes - Rwanda Easter Monday	7 No Classes 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi Memorial Week	8 No Classes 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi Memorial Week	9 No Classes 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi Memorial Week Spring Carnival No Classes - Pittsburgh	10 No Classes 1994 Genocide Against the Tutsi Memorial Week Spring Carnival No Classes - Pittsburgh	11 Spring Carnival No Classes - Pittsburgh	
	12	13 Mini-4 pass/no pass & W grade deadline (3) Semester & Mini-4 FCEs open	14 Fall 2026 Registration open for masters students	15	16	17	18	13
	19	20	21	22	23	24 Last Day of Classes Semester & Mini-4 voucher deadline (4)	25	14
May	26	27 Final Exams	28 Final Exams	29 Reading Day	30 Final Exams	1 Labour Day No Exams - Rwanda	2 Reading Day	15
	3 Reading Day	4 Final Exams Semester & Mini-4 FCEs close	5 Make Up Final Exams	6 Graduating Students' Grades Due at 4 pm	7	8	9	16
	10 Commencement	11	12 Spring Grades Due at 4 pm	13	14	15 Graduation Ceremony (Rwanda)	16	
	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	

Calendar Notes	<i>Please see https://www.cmu.edu/hub/registrar/course-changes/index.html for more information about Course Changes: Add, Drop, Withdrawal & Voucher Election</i>
*	Students taking courses in the Heinz College, Tepper School of Business MBA, or in the Computational Finance programs must review and follow those separate academic calendars for those courses.
1	Students dropping a course while remaining enrolled (in at least one course-section) will receive a tuition adjustment only if they drop by this date. --Students taking a Leave of Absence or Withdrawing from the university should consult the official Tuition Adjustment Policy.
2	Graduate students in CMU-Africa receive W grades for course withdrawal.
3	Course withdrawal is not an option after this date. Students must decide if they wish to use their course drop voucher and should discuss their options with their academic advisor in advance of these dates.
4	Advisor approval is required for vouchers to be initiated. It is strongly recommended that you contact your advisor prior to the posted deadline to discuss options. --Please contact your advisor before 12 noon on the deadline date.
**	Regarding Grade Due dates, please note that fall & spring mid-semester as well as mini-1 & 3 grades are due the Wednesday after break instead of during break in both fall and spring. This confirms to a desire for a single due date, and with mini finals on Saturday, it provides additional time for grading.

Calendar Dates Color Key
First & Last Day of Semester Classes
No Classes - Rwanda and Pittsburgh
No Classes - Pittsburgh
No Classes - Rwanda
Class Days
Exam Days
Semester Grades Due

Questions regarding the academic calendar may be sent to africa-academics@andrew.cmu.edu