

REVISED SESSIONAL DATES

2026 SEMESTER ONE (2026 – I)

JANUARY 2026

Monday, 5 th	❖ Pre - Registration Opens - 25% Threshold (All Campuses, Programmes & Modes of Study)
	❖ Classes for Health Services Management Begins – New Students (Burma Road Campus)
Monday, 12 th	❖ Classes for Health Services Management Begins –Returning Students ❖ (Burma Road Campus)
Monday, 12 th	❖ Graduate Residential School Begins
Friday, 16 th	❖ Graduate Residential School Ends
Monday, 19 th	❖ Residential School for Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate Begins (All Campuses)
Tuesday, 20 th	❖ ORIENTATION WEEK (ALL NEW STUDENTS) (Distance Learning Students)
Wednesday, 21 st	❖ Research Proposal Development, Supervisor Allocation: (a) All 4 th Year Semester I – Undergraduate (b) All 3 rd Year Semester I – Diploma (Distance Learning Students)
Friday, 30 th	❖ Residential School for Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate Ends
Saturday 31 st	❖ Block Release Physical Classes Begin (Graduate – Main Campus)

FEBRUARY 2026

Sunday 1 st	❖ Full-Time/Part-Time Students Report, Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate (All Campuses)
Monday, 2 nd	❖ Classes for Full-Time & Part-Time Begin (Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate – All Campuses)

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Wednesday, 4th	❖ Research Seminar I (All 4th Year Semester I – Undergraduate, All 3rd Year Semester I – Diploma) ❖ Proposal Development ❖ Supervisor Allocation ❖ Research Supervision Guidelines ❖ (Full-Time & Part-Time Students)
Saturday, 14th	❖ Block Release Physical Classes Continues (Graduate - Main Campus)
Monday, 23rd	❖ Late Registration (Penalty Fee Applies)
Friday, 27th	❖ Late Registration Closes
MARCH 2026	
Monday, 2nd – Friday, 6th	❖ Continuous Assessment Week I (Task 1: Assignment)
Monday, 9th	❖ Health Services Management Industrial Visits – 1 Week (Burma Road Campus)
Saturday, 14th	❖ Block Release Physical Classes Continues (Graduate - Main Campus)
Friday, 20th	❖ Approval of courses – 55% Threshold
Friday, 27th	❖ NIPASU Socio-Cultural Day
March, 23rd – March, 27th	❖ MID-SEMESTER BREAK
APRIL 2026	
Tuesday, 7th	❖ Continuous Assessment Week II Begins (Task 2: Test 1 Given Within the Specified Week)

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MAY 2026	
Monday, 4th	❖ Continuous Assessment Week III (Task 3: Test 2 Given Within the Specified Week) ❖ CA Link Opens (Individual Course Lecturers Enter Total CA Marks into NIPASIS)
Friday, 15th	❖ CLASSES END
Monday, 18th - Friday, 22nd	❖ STUDY BREAK (ALL CAMPUSES)
Tuesday, 26th	❖ 2026 - I Examinations Begin ❖ Marking of Examination Scripts Begins ❖ Exam Link Opens
JUNE 2026	
Monday, 8th	❖ 2026 - I Examinations End
Monday, 15th -Friday, 19th	❖ Deferred Examination Window
Monday, 22nd	❖ Examination Link Closes
Monday, 22nd	❖ Examinations Irregularities Committee
Tuesday, 23rd – Wednesday, 24th	❖ Divisional Examination Sub-Committees (LSD, BSD, DLD, MSD Sub-Committees) ❖ Divisional Examination Sub-Committees (LSD, BSD, DLD, MSD Sub-Committees)

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Thursday, 25 th	❖ Scrutiny of 2026 - I Examination Results by Examinations Committee
Friday, 26 th	❖ Scrutiny of 2026 - I Examination Results by Examinations Committee
Monday, 29 th	❖ Approval of Results by Board of Studies
Tuesday, 30 th	❖ Publication of 2026 - I Examination Results
SECOND SEMESTER 2026 (2026 – II)	
JULY 2026	
Wednesday, 8 th	❖ Pre - Registration Opens - 25% Threshold (All Campuses, programmes & Modes of Study) ❖ Classes for Health Services Management Begins (Burma Road Campus)
Sunday, 12 th	❖ Graduate Residential School – (Reporting)
Monday, 13 th	❖ Graduate Residential School Begins (All Campuses)
Wednesday, 15 th	❖ Research Proposal Development, Supervisor Allocation: (a) All 4 th Year Semester I – Undergraduate (b) All 3 rd Year Semester I – Diploma (Distance Learning Students)
Friday, 17 th	❖ Graduate Residential School Ends (All Campuses)
Sunday, 19 th	❖ Residential School for Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate (Reporting) (Access to timetable, registration and accommodation) (All Campuses)
Monday, 20 th	❖ Residential School for Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate Begins (All Campuses)
Tuesday, 21 st	❖ ORIENTATION WEEK (ALL NEW STUDENTS) (Distance Learning Students)

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Friday, 31 st	❖ Residential School for Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate Ends
AUGUST 2026	
Sunday, 3 rd	❖ Full-Time & Part-Time Begin (Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate – Report All Campuses)
Tuesday, 4 th	❖ Classes for Full-Time & Part-Time Begin (Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate – All Campuses)
Wednesday, 5 th	❖ ORIENTATION WEEK (ALL NEW STUDENTS) (Full time & Part time Students)
Thursday, 6 th	❖ Research Seminar I (All 4 th Year Semester I – Undergraduate, All 3 rd Year Semester I – Diploma) 1. Proposal Development 2. Supervisor Allocation 3. Research Supervision Guidelines (Full-Time & Part-Time Students)
Saturday, 8 th - Sunday, 9 th	❖ Block Release Physical Classes Begin (Graduate – All Campuses)
Friday, 7 th	❖ Registration closes
Monday, 10 th	❖ Late Registration (Penalty Fee Applies)
Friday, 21 st	❖ Late Registration Closes
Monday, 24 th – Friday, 28 th	❖ Continuous Assessment Week I Begins (Task 1: Assignment)
SEPTEMBER 2026	
Monday, 21 st	❖ Approval of Courses - 55% Threshold
Monday, 21 st – Friday, 25 th	❖ MID-SEMESTER BREAK
Friday, 25 th	❖ 28TH GRADUATION CEREMONY
Saturday, 26 th	❖ NIPASU Socio-Cultural Day
Monday, 28 th	❖ Classes Resume (Ft & Pt)
OCTOBER 2026	
Monday, 5 th – Friday, 9 th	❖ Continuous Assessment Week II Begins (Task 2: Test 1 Given Within the Specified Week)
NOVEMBER 2026	

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Tuesday, 10 th	❖ RESEARCH WEEK 1. Research Proposal, Presentations & Submissions:
	(a) All 4 th Year Semester I – Undergraduate (b) All 3 rd Year Semester I – Diploma (c) Year II Semester I – Pg. Masters 2. Research Report Submission & Defending (a) All 4 th Year Semester II - Undergraduate (b) All 3 rd Year Semester II – Diploma (c) Year II Semester II – Pg. Masters
Monday, 9 th – Friday, 13 th	❖ Continuous Assessment Week III Begins (Task 3: Test 2 Given Within the Specified Week) ❖ CA Link Opens (Individual Course Lecturers Enter Total CA Marks into NIPASIS)
Friday, 13 th	❖ CLASSES END
Monday, 16 th – Friday, 20 th	❖ STUDY BREAK (ALL CAMPUSES)
Monday, 23 rd	❖ 2026 - II Examinations Begin (Certificate, Diploma, Undergraduate & Graduate (Masters)) ❖ Marking of Examination Scripts Begins
DECEMBER 2026	
Friday, 4 th	❖ 2026 - II Examinations End (All campuses)
Monday, 14 th – Thursday, 17 th	❖ Deferred Examination Window
Thursday, 17 th	❖ Examinations Irregularities Committee
Thursday, 17 th	❖ Examination Link Closes
Friday, 18 th	❖ Divisional Examination Sub-Committees (LSD, BSD, DLD, MSD Sub-Committees)
Monday, 21 st	❖ Scrutiny of 2026 - II Examination Results by Examinations Committee
Tuesday, 22 nd	❖ Scrutiny of 2026 - II Examination Results by Examinations Committee
Wednesday, 23 rd	❖ Approval of Results by Board of Studies ❖ Publication of 2026 - II Examination Results

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Sunday, 10 th	❖ Graduate Residential School (Reporting) (All Campus)
Monday, 11 th	❖ Classes for Health Services Management Begins – Returning Students (Burma Road Campuses) ❖ Graduate Residential School Begins (All Campuses)
Friday, 15 th	❖ Graduate Residential School Ending (All Campuses)
Sunday, 17 th	❖ Residential School for Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate Reporting (All Campuses)
Monday, 18 th	❖ Residential School for Certificate, Diploma & Undergraduate (Begins) (All Campuses)
Tuesday, 19 th	❖ ORIENTATION WEEK (ALL NEW STUDENTS) (Distance Learning Students)
Wednesday, 20 th	❖ Research Proposal Development, Supervisor Allocation: (a) All 4th Year Semester I – Undergraduate (b) All 3rd Year Semester I – Diploma (Distance Learning Students)
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Tuesday, 2 nd	❖ ORIENTATION WEEK (ALL NEW STUDENTS) (Full time & Part time Students)
Wednesday, 10 th	❖ Research Seminar I (All 4 th Year Semester I – Undergraduate, All 3 rd Year Semester I – Diploma) 1. Proposal Development 2. Supervisor Allocation 3. Research Supervision Guidelines (Full-Time & Part-Time Students)
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MARCH 2027	
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