University of Kent Academic Year and Term Dates 2024 - 2025

Academic Year: 16 September 2024 – 14 September 2025

The academic year is split into terms during which the student is expected to engage with study. The length and pattern of the terms depend on the type of programme the student is following. The period between each of the terms is a vacation period. The University will be closed over the Christmas period. There are two Enhancement Weeks during the academic year, w/c 4 November 2024 and w/c 24 February 2025. The University will be open during these Enhancement Weeks and students are expected to attend the programme of activities determined by each individual academic school.

Undergraduate Programme Term Dates 2024 - 2025

Welcome Week: 16 September 2024 – 20 September 2024
Autumn Term: 23 September 2024 – 13 December 2024
Spring Term: 13 January 2025 – 4 April 2025
Summer Term: 5 May 2025 – 13 June 2025

Postgraduate Taught Programme Term Dates 2024 – 2025

Welcome Week: 16 September 2024 – 20 September 2024
Autumn Term: 23 September 2024 – 13 December 2024
Spring Term: 13 January 2025 – 4 April 2025
Summer Term: 5 May 2025 – 14 September 2025

Postgraduate Taught Programme (2 year programme) Term Dates 2024 – 2025

Stage 1: Undergraduate programme term dates apply
Stage 2: Postgraduate programme term dates apply

Postgraduate Research Programme Term Dates 2024 - 2025

Our expectations for postgraduate research students are that they study throughout the whole year, for at least 35 hours per week and take holiday (normally 30 days over the year) as agreed with their supervisor. There is only one term; the dates of the term coincide with the academic year, 16 September 2024 - 14 September 2025.

Programmes with Non Standard study periods

There may be some programmes where the expected study periods do not coincide with the term dates set out above. In these cases term dates will be notified separately.

Student Registration Period

All students will have a start of registration date which will be their first expected date of attendance on their programme and an end of registration date which will be the last expected date of their attendance on their programme. For 2024-2025, the registration date for all UG and PGT students starting in September 2024 will be Saturday 14 September 2024, the first day of the Arrivals weekend.

A student’s registration period may or may not coincide with term dates and may cover a number of years or only part of a year. During the registration period the student will be expected to study during term dates applicable to their programme and have vacation periods which are between their term dates.