University of Kent Academic Year and Term Dates 2016 - 2017

**Academic Year**

26 September 2016 – 22 September 2017

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.

**Undergraduate Programme Term Dates 2016 - 2017**

- **Welcome Week**: 19 September 2016 – 23 September 2017
- **Autumn Term**: 26 September 2016 - 16 December 2016
- **Spring Term**: 17 January 2017 – 7 April 2017
- **Summer Term**: 8 May 2017 - 16 June 2017

**Postgraduate Taught Programme Term Dates 2016 - 2017**

- **Welcome Week**: 19 September 2016 – 23 September 2016
- **Autumn Term**: 26 September 2016 - 16 December 2016
- **Spring Term**: 17 January 2017 - 7 April 2017
- **Summer Term**: 8 May 2017 – 22 September 2017

**Postgraduate Research Programme Term Dates 2016 - 2017**

Our expectations for postgraduate research students are that they study throughout the whole year, working for at least 35 hours per week and take vacations (normally 6 weeks over the year) as agreed with their supervisor. There is only one term; the dates of the term coincide with the academic year, 26 September 2016 – 23 September 2017.

**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.

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.