

Academic Calendar Faculty of Humanities 2025-2026

Semester 1: 2 September 2025 till 1 February 2026

		September					October					November					December				
Week	35	36	37	38	39	40	40	41	42	43	44	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	1
Mo		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	1	8	15	22	29
Tu		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	2	9	16	23	30
We		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	3	10	17	24	31
Th		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27	4	11	18	25	
Fr		5	12	19	26		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28	5	12	19	26	
Sa	30	6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	6	13	20	27	
Su	31	7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	7	14	21	28	

Semester 2: 2 February 2026 till 5 July 2026

		January					February					March					April					
Week	1	2	3	4	5	5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13	14	14	15	16	17	18	
Mo			5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23		2	9	16	23	30	6	13	20	27	
Tu			6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		3	10	17	24	31	7	14	21	28	
We			7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29
Th		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30
Fr		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	
Sa		3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
Su		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	

		May					June					July					August					
Week	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	27	28	29	30	31	31	32	33	34	35	36	
Mo		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24	31
Tu		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25	
We		6	13	20	27		3	10	17	24		1	8	15	22	29		5	12	19	26	
Th		7	14	21	28		4	11	18	25		2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27	
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Sa	2	9	16	23	30		6	13	20	27		4	11	18	25		1	8	15	22	29	
Su	3	10	17	24	31		7	14	21	28		5	12	19	26		2	9	16	23	30	

Opening academic year and introduction activities BA/MA students	Prince's day	
Start lectures	Public holiday/compulsory vacation day	El Cid Introduction Week
Lecture or exam-free	Cleveringa Lecture	Minor market
Examination Period	Dies Natalis	Career event
	Oriëntation Week Leiden	Master's Day

Explanatory notes:

1. Academic Year

- The academic year comprises 2 semesters (public holidays and compulsory days not included) during which all educational activities take place.

2. Lectures

Semester 1

- Block 1: 8 September - 24 October 2025
- Block 2: 3 November - 12 December 2025

Semester 2:

- Block 3: 2 February - 20 March 2026
- Block 4: 30 March - 18 May, extra days 19 - 22 May 2026

3. Examination Periods

- Monday 27 October - Friday 31 October 2025
- Monday 15 December - Tuesday 23 December 2025 (where 22 and 23 december only if necessary)
- Monday 5 January - Friday 30 January 2026
- Monday 23 March - Friday 27 March 2026
- Tuesday 26 May - Friday 3 July 2026

3. Public holidays and compulsory vacation days

- 3 October 2025: Celebration Relief of Leiden (also Campus The Hague)
- 24 December 2025 - 2 January 2026: Christmas/New Year
- 3 April 2026: Good Friday
- 5 and 6 April 2026: Easter
- 27 April 2026: King's Day
- 5 May 2026: Liberation Day
- 14 and 15 May 2026: Ascension Day and the day after
- 24 and 25 May 2026: Whitsun

4. Events

- 1 September 2025: opening academic year 2025-2026
- 5 September 2025: no lectures for first years from 13h to allow attendance at inaugurations student clubs
- 16 September 2025 Prince's day (no compulsory closure).
- 9 and 10 October 2025 (online) and 6 February 2026 (on campus, no lectures for BA2 and BA3 students): Master's Days Leiden University
- 26 November 2025: Cleveringa Lecture (no compulsory closure)
- 9 February 2026: Dies Natalis Lecture (no compulsory closure)
- *tba*: Minor market from 15.30h (no compulsory closure)
- 15 april 2026: Humanities Career Event/Campus The Hague Career Event, no lectures between 13h and 17h for BA2 and BA3 students