

# EMORY UNIVERSITY

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### RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS – 2017-18

For your information, these are the dates of major Christian, Jewish and Islamic holidays which will occur while the University is in session during the academic year of 2017 - 2018. These are provided in order that you may know of potential schedule conflicts involving large numbers of students. All students are responsible for negotiating their needs around religious practices with the professor.

<b>Holiday</b>	<b>Religion</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Day</b>
Eid-al-Adha	<sup>1</sup> Islamic	September 2, 2017	Saturday
Rosh Hashanah	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	September 21-22, 2017	Thursday - Friday
Navaratri	Hindu	September 21-29, 2017	Thursday – Friday
Dussehra	Hindu	September 30, 2017	Saturday
Yom Kippur	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	September 30, 2017	Saturday
Sukkot, first two days	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	October 5-6, 2017	Thursday - Friday
Shemini Atzeret	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	October 12, 2017	Thursday
Simchat Torah	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	October 13, 2017	Friday
Diwali	Hindu	October 19, 2017	Thursday
Birth of the Bab	Baha'i	October 21, 2017	Saturday
Birth of Bahá'u'llá	Baha'i	October 22, 2017	Sunday
Hanukkah	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	December 13-20, 2017	Wednesday - Wednesday
Christmas	Christian	December 25, 2017	Monday
Christmas	<sup>3</sup> Orthodox Ch.	January 7, 2018	Sunday
Ash Wednesday	Christian	February 14, 2018	Wednesday
Great Lent Begins	<sup>3</sup> Orthodox Ch.	February 19, 2018	Monday
Purim	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	March 1, 2018	Thursday
Naw-Rúz	Baha'i	March 21, 2018	Wednesday
Good Friday	Christian	March 30, 2018	Friday
Passover, first two days	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	March 31-April 1, 2018	Saturday – Sunday
Easter	Christian	April 1, 2018	Sunday
Holy Friday	<sup>3</sup> Orthodox Ch.	April 6, 2018	Friday
Passover, last two days	<sup>2</sup> Jewish	April 6-7, 2018	Friday – Saturday
Pascha (Easter)	<sup>3</sup> Orthodox Ch.	April 8, 2018	Sunday
Ridvan	Baha'i	April 21, 2018	Saturday

<sup>1</sup>Islamic holidays begin at sunset on the evening before the date given. Islamic holidays are based on a lunar calendar, and the actual dates are determined by direct observation of the moon and announced by the mosque. (The most observant Muslims will observe all days; others may observe the first day of Eid-al-Fitr and Eid-al-Adha.)

<sup>2</sup>Jewish holidays begin at sunset on the evening before the date given.

<sup>3</sup>Orthodox Christian holidays begin at sunset on the evening before the date given.