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RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS – 2019-20

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 2019 - 2020. 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.

Holiday	Religion	Date	Day
Rosh Hashanah	² Jewish	Sept. 30 – Oct. 1, 2019	Monday-Tuesday
Yom Kippur	² Jewish	October 9, 2019	Wednesday
Sukkot, first two days	² Jewish	October 14-15, 2019	Monday-Tuesday
Shemini Atzeret	² Jewish	October 21, 2019	Monday
Simchat Torah	² Jewish	October 22, 2019	Tuesday
Navaratri	Hindu	Sept. 29-Oct. 7, 2019	Sunday-Monday
Dussehra	Hindu	October 8, 2019	Tuesday
Diwali	Hindu	October 27, 2019	Sunday
Birth of the Bab	⁴ Baha'i	October 29, 2019	Friday
Birth of Bahá'u'llá	⁴ Baha'i	October 30, 2019	Saturday
Hanukkah	² Jewish	December 23-30, 2019	Monday-Monday
Christmas	Christian	December 25, 2019	Wednesday
Christmas	³ Orthodox Ch.	January 7, 2020	Tuesday
Ash Wednesday	Christian	February 26, 2020	Wednesday
Great Lent Begins	³ Orthodox Ch.	March 2, 2020	Monday
Purim	² Jewish	March 10, 2020	Tuesday
Naw-Rúz	⁴ Baha'i	March 21, 2020	Saturday
Good Friday	Christian	April 10, 2020	Friday
Passover, first two days	² Jewish	April 9-10, 2020	Thursday-Friday
Easter	Christian	April 12, 2020	Sunday
Holy Friday	³ Orthodox Ch.	April 17, 2020	Friday
Passover, last two days	² Jewish	April 15-16, 2020	Wednesday-Thursday
Pascha (Easter)	³ Orthodox Ch.	April 19, 2020	Sunday
Ridvan	⁴ Baha'i	April 21, 2020	Tuesday
Ramadan	¹ Islamic	April 24, 2020	Friday

¹Islamic 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.)

²Jewish holidays begin at sunset on the evening before the date given.

³Orthodox Christian holidays begin at sunset on the evening before the date given.

⁴Baha'i holidays begin at sunset on the evening before the date given.