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KAFU Academic Council
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Academic Calendar of the Kazakh-American Free University for the 2026-2027 Academic Year (doctoral studies, scientific and pedagogical track)

Fall Semester 2026-2027		
Aug.–Sept.	By August 28	Admission of Doctoral Students
	August 28 – August 31	Orientation Week, Presentation and Registration for Elective Courses
	September 1 – October 3	Completion of Prerequisite Courses
	September 1 – December 12	Coursework
	September 1 – December 12	Doctoral Student's Research Work (DSRW)
October	October 12 – October 17	Midterm Assessment 1 (Year 1)
	October 5 – December 12	Teaching Internship (Year 2)
December	December 7 – December 12	Midterm Assessment 2 (Year 1)
	December 14 – January 2	Examination Session, including retaking courses graded FX (Year 1)
January	January 4 – January 16	Winter Break
Public Holidays		October 25, December 16, January 1-2 and January 7
Spring Semester 2026-2027		
January	January 18 – May 1	Coursework
	January 18 – May 1	Doctoral Student's Research Work (DSRW)
February	February 22 – May 1	Research Internship (Year 2)
March	March 1 – March 6	Midterm Assessment 1 (Year 1)
Apr.–May	April 26 – May 1	Midterm Assessment 2 (Year 1)
	May 2 – May 31	Presentation and Registration for Elective Courses for the Next Academic Year
	May 3 – May 22	Examination Session, including retaking courses graded FX (Year 1)
	May 24 – May 29	Academic Assessment of the Master's Student
	May 10 – June 26	Final Attestation (Year 3)
May–June	May 10/May 31 – August 31	Summer Break
	June 14 – July 24	Summer Semester
Public Holidays		March 8, March 15, March 21-23, May 1, 7 and 9, and July 6

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