Summary of 2020 Principal Academic Dates for Australian Universities



Universities Australia	Summer Session ^ Mic	d-Term Break	Last Teaching Day - Summer	Exam Period	Autumn Session	Mid-Term Break	Last Teaching Day -	Exam Period	Spring Session	Mid-Term Break	Last Teaching Day -	Exam Period
Members' Universities	Start Date		Session ^		Start Date		Autumn Session		Start Date		Spring Session	
NEW SOUTH WALES Charles Sturt University	18 Nov 19 23 Dec	10 01 lon 20	07 Fab 20	10 Feb 20 - 14 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20	05 Jun 20	09 lun 20 40 lun 20	12 Jul 20	24 Aug 20 04 Son	20 16 Oct 20	19 Oct 20 - 30 Oct 20
Macquarie University	18 Nov 19 23 Dec 02 Dec 19 23 Dec		07 Feb 20 17 Jan 20	10 Feb 20 - 14 Feb 20 20 Jan 20 - 24 Jan 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20 13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20	05 Jun 20 05 Jun 20	08 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20 09 Jun 20 - 26 Jun 20	13 Jul 20 27 Jul 20	24 Aug 20 - 04 Sep 14 Sep 20 - 25 Sep		09 Nov 20 - 27 Nov 20
Southern Cross University # (a)	04 Nov 19 16 Dec		12 Feb 20	17 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	04 Mar 20	15 Apr 20 - 18 Apr 20	29 May 20	03 Jun 20 - 14 Jun 20	08 Jul 20	19 Aug 20 - 23 Aug		08 Oct 20 - 18 Oct 20
The University of New England	04 Nov 19 20 Dec		24 Jan 20	28 Jan 20 - 10 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	14 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20	29 May 20	01 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	29 Jun 20	10 Aug 20 - 21 Aug		28 Sep 20 - 16 Oct 20
UNSW, Sydney (b)	06 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	07 Feb 20	N/A - N/A	17 Feb 20	N/A - N/A	28 Apr 20	02 May 20 - 16 May 20	01 Jun 20	N/A - N/A	10 Aug 20	14 Aug 20 - 29 Aug 20
The University of Newcastle (c)	18 Nov 19 16 Dec		24 Jan 20	10 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20	05 Jun 20	06 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	20 Jul 20	29 Sep 20 - 09 Oct	-	02 Nov 20 - 13 Nov 20
The University of Sydney * (d)	06 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	01 Mar 20	N/A - N/A	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 20 Jun 20	24 Aug 20	05 Oct 20 - 08 Oct		30 Nov 20 - 12 Dec 20
University of Technology Sydney * ^ (e)	18 Nov 19 23 Dec		14 Feb 20	22 Feb 20 - 29 Feb 20	09 Mar 20	20 Apr 20 - 26 Apr 20	05 Jun 20	13 Jun 20 - 27 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	14 Sep 20 - 20 Sep		31 Oct 20 - 14 Nov 20
Western Sydney University	25 Nov 19 23 Dec		05 Feb 20	10 Feb 20 - 16 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	27 Apr 20 - 03 May 20	12 Jun 20	15 Jun 20 - 28 Jun 20	20 Jul 20	14 Sep 20 - 20 Sep		02 Nov 20 - 15 Nov 20
University of Wollongong (f)	02 Dec 19 23 Dec		31 Jan 20	10 Feb 20 - 14 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	05 Jun 20	13 Jun 20 - 25 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct		07 Nov 20 - 19 Nov 20
VICTORIA												
Deakin University #	11 Nov 19 23 Dec	19 - 05 Jan 20	07 Feb 20	13 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	09 Mar 20	10 Apr 20 - 19 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	13 Jul 20	17 Aug 20 - 23 Aug	20 02 Oct 20	12 Oct 20 - 23 Oct 20
Federation University Australia (g)	16 Nov 20 N/A	- N/A	12 Feb 21	17 Feb 21 - 27 Feb 21	02 Mar 20	06 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	06 Jun 20	15 Jun 20 - 26 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	21 Sep 20 - 02 Oct		N/A - N/A
La Trobe University * ^ (h)	04 Nov 19 N/A	- N/A	14 Feb 20	18 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	06 Apr 20 - 10 Apr 20	29 May 20	05 Jun 20 - 25 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 23 Oct 20	30 Oct 20 - 19 Nov 20
Monash University *	01 Nov 19 23 Dec	19 - 02 Jan 20	21 Feb 20	10 Feb 20 - 13 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 26 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 23 Oct 20	02 Nov 20 - 20 Nov 20
RMIT University (i)	02 Jan 20 25 Dec	20 - 02 Jan 20	14 Feb 20	17 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	09 Apr 20 - 15 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 26 Jun 20	20 Jul 20	31 Aug 20 - 06 Sep	20 16 Oct 20	26 Oct 20 - 13 Nov 20
Swinburne University of Technology (j)	06 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	14 Feb 20	20 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	09 Apr 20 - 15 Apr 20	31 May 20	05 Jun 20 - 21 Jun 20	03 Aug 20	14 Sep 20 - 20 Sep	20 01 Nov 20	06 Nov 20 - 22 Nov 20
The University of Melbourne	02 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	01 Mar 20	17 Feb 20 - 24 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	10 Apr 20 - 19 Apr 20	31 May 20	09 Jun 20 - 26 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 04 Oct	20 25 Oct 20	02 Nov 20 - 20 Nov 20
Victoria University * (k)	11 Nov 19 24 Dec	19 - 02 Jan 20	31 Jan 20	03 Feb 20 - 07 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	10 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	22 May 20	01 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 23 Oct 20	02 Nov 20 - 20 Nov 20
QUEENSLAND												
Bond University #	13 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	03 Apr 20	09 Apr 20 - 20 Apr 20	11 May 20	N/A - N/A	31 Jul 20	07 Aug 20 - 15 Aug 20	07 Sep 20	N/A - N/A	27 Nov 20	04 Dec 20 - 12 Dec 20
CQUniversity Australia # (I)	11 Nov 19 09 Dec 25 Dec	19 - 13 Dec 19 19 - 01 Jan 20	14 Feb 20	17 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	09 Mar 20	14 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	05 Jun 20	11 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	13 Jul 20	17 Aug 20 - 21 Aug	20 09 Oct 20	15 Oct 20 - 23 Oct 20
Griffith University * #	28 Oct 19 23 Dec	19 - 03 Jan 20	31 Jan 20	06 Feb 20 - 15 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	06 Apr 20 - 10 Apr 20	22 May 20	28 May 20 - 06 Jun 20	13 Jul 20	10 Aug 20 - 14 Aug	20 09 Oct 20	15 Oct 20 - 24 Oct 20
James Cook University * ^ (m)	25 Nov 19 23 Dec	19 - 27 Dec 19	07 Feb 20	10 Feb 20 - 14 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	06 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 30 Oct 20	07 Nov 30 - 20 Nov 20
Queensland University of Technology	18 Nov 19 23 Dec	19 - 27 Dec 19	07 Feb 20	10 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	04 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	20 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 23 Oct 20	29 Oct 20 - 13 Nov 20
The University of Queensland	25 Nov 19 25 Dec	19 - 01 Jan 20	25 Jan 20	01 Feb 20 - 08 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	30 May 20	06 Jun 20 - 20 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 31 Oct 20	07 Nov 20 - 21 Nov 20
University of Southern Queensland #	18 Nov 19 23 Dec	19 - 27 Dec 19	31 Jan 20	03 Feb 20 - 14 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	06 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	05 Jun 20	08 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	13 Jul 20	21 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 23 Oct 20	26 Oct 20 - 06 Nov 20
University of the Sunshine Coast * ^	18 Nov 19 23 Dec	19 - 06 Jan 20	17 Jan 20	20 Jan 20 - 24 Jan 20	24 Feb 20	10 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	20 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 05 Oct	20 23 Oct 20	02 Nov 20 - 13 Nov 20
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
Curtin University	02 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	31 Jan 20	03 Feb 20 - 07 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	24 Aug 20 28 Sep 20 - 28 Aug 02 Oct	30 OCL 20	09 Nov 20 - 20 Nov 20
Edith Cowan University	01 Dec 19 25 Dec		28 Feb 20	14 Feb 20 - 20 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 30 Oct 20	09 Nov 20 - 20 Nov 20
Murdoch University ^ (n) (o) (l)	25 Nov 19 Limite 23 Dec	ed Service Period 19 - 01 Jan 20	17 Jan 20	27 Jan 20 - 31 Jan 20	24 Feb 20	23 Mar 20 13 Apr 19 - 27 Mar 20 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	06 Jun 20 - 20 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	24 Aug 20 28 Sep 20 - 28 Aug 02 Oct	30 Oct 20	02 Nov 20 - 21 Nov 20
The University of Western Australia (p) SOUTH AUSTRALIA	30 Nov 19 24 Dec	19 - 03 Jan 20	31 Jan 20	03 Feb 20 08 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 19 Apr 20	22 May 20	31 May 20 - 13 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 04 Oct	20 23 Oct 20	31 Oct 20 - 14 Nov 20
Flinders University *	06 Jan 20 NA	- NA	21 Feb 20	20 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20	21 Jun 20	20 Jun 20 - 04 Jul 20	27 Jul 20	21 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 06 Nov 20	07 Nov 20 - 21 Nov 20
The University of Adelaide (q)	06 Jan 20 NA	- NA	14 Feb 20	17 Feb 20 - 21 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20		20 Jun 20 04 Jul 20	27 Jul 20	21 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 30 Oct 20	07 Nov 20 - 21 Nov 20
University of South Australia *	13 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	27 Mar 20	23 Mar 20 - 27 Mar 20		13 Apr 20 - 24 Apr 20	04 Jul 20	20 Jun 20 - 04 Jul 20	27 Jul 20	21 Sep 20 - 02 Oct		14 Nov 20 - 28 Nov 20
TASMANIA												
University of Tasmania * ^ NORTHERN TERRITORY	02 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	23 Feb 20	05 Feb 20 - 12 Feb 20	24 Feb 20	09 Apr 20 - 15 Apr 20	31 May 20	06 Jun 20 - 23 Jun 20	13 Jul 20	31 Aug 20 - 06 Sep	20 18 Oct 20	24 Oct 20 - 10 Nov 20
Charles Darwin University	11 Nov 19 23 Dec	19 - 03 Jan 20	14 Feb 20	24 Feb 20 - 28 Feb 20	02 Mar 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	29 May 20	08 Jun 20 - 19 Jun 20	20 Jul 20	31 Aug 20 - 04 Sep	20 16 Oct 20	26 Oct 20 - 06 Nov 20
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The Australian National University *	01 Jan 20 N/A	- N/A	31 Mar 20	N/A - N/A		06 Apr 20 - 19 Apr 20		04 Jun 20 - 20 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	07 Sep 20 - 20 Sep		05 Nov 20 - 21 Nov 20
University of Canberra * (r)	02 Dec 19 23 Dec	19 - 27 Dec 19	31 Jan 20	N/A - N/A	10 Feb 20	30 Mar 20 - 03 Apr 20	08 May 20	11 May 20 - 23 May 20	03 Aug 20	21 Sep 20 - 25 Sep	20 30 Oct 20	02 Nov 20 - 14 Nov 20
MULTI-STATE	25 Nov. 40 N/A	N1/A	00 Feb 00	NI/A NI/A	24 Esh 00	12 Apr 20 40 A== 00	20 May 20	04 lun 00 44 lun 00	07 1.100	20 Can 20 04 O-4	20.0-4.00	02 Nov 20 45 Nov 20
Australian Catholic University * ^ (s)	25 Nov 19 N/A	- N/A	02 Feb 20	N/A - N/A	24 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 19 Apr 20		01 Jun 20 - 14 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 04 Oct		02 Nov 20 - 15 Nov 20
The University of Notre Dame Australia* ^ (t)	06 Jan 20 NA	- NA	31 Jan 20	03 Feb 20 - 08 Feb 20	17 Feb 20	13 Apr 20 - 17 Apr 20	22 May 20	01 Jun 20 - 13 Jun 20	27 Jul 20	28 Sep 20 - 02 Oct	20 30 Oct 20	09 Nov 20 - 21 Nov 20

Source: Universities Australia 2019 collection of data on 2020 academic dates (data provided by individual universities). This table reflects principal dates for the standard teaching sessions of each university and are subject to review later in 2020.

This document is NOT intended to fully represent the official academic/operating calendar of individual universities - please refer to their calendars for details.

Many universities now teach outside the periods shown, particularly through winter sessions during June and July (indicated by *). Individual faculties within universities (often Business, Medicine, Health Sciences, Visual Arts and Education) may operate by different timetables.

^ Summer session is offered only for a limited number of degree programs or individual subjects, which can start and finish anytime during the period. N/A indicates an ad-hoc / integrated exam period within the session.

For universities operating under a two semester model, "Autumn Session" is Semester 1 and "Spring Session" is Semester 2.

University operates under a three session (trimester) model, ie. summer session is a formal teaching period for all students.

Notes:

(a) Southern Cross University will also operate formal Study Period 3 from 27 Apr to 9 Jun with exam period on 10–11 Jun; Study Period 4 from 6 Jul 20 to 18 Aug with exam period on 19–20 Aug; Study Period 5 from 31 Aug to 13 Oct with exam period on 16–17 Dec.

(b) From 2019, UNSW transitioned to a three term model, with an additional optional intensive Summer Term (Summer Term 2020 is the first summer term on the new calendar).

(c) The University of Newcastle also operates formal trimesters from 27 Jan to 17 Apr with exam period 20-24 May; 11 May to 31 July with exam period 3-7 Aug; 24 Aug to 13 Nov with exam period 16-20 Nov.

(d) The University of Sydney also offers some courses - known as Intensive Units - over Summer (January and February 2020), with no published exam period as the examination dates/requirements vary by course. STUVAC is between 1-5 June in Autumn and 9-13 November in Spring Session. and 11-15 November (e) University of Technology Sydney utilises three balanced teaching periods in Autumn, Spring and Summer. Students are only required to participate in two of the three, typically Autumn and Spring. For those who elect to study in Summer, Summer session 2020 commences Monday, 16 November 2020 with formal classes ending on Friday, 12 February 2021 (final assessment period is 20 February inclusive).

(f) UOW also operates a formal Trimester model for postgraduate business programs. Trimester 1 is from 10 Feb to 17 Apr with exam period 01 Aug to 07 Aug; Trimester 3 from 24 Aug to 30 Oct with exam period 07 Nov to 19 Nov.

(g) Federation University Australia also operates late summer, winter and spring teaching periods for a limited number of courses.

• Study Period Late Summer from 6 January to 14 February 2020 with no published exam period as the examination dates/requirements vary by course.

Study Period winter from 27 April to 17 July 2020 with no published exam period as the examination dates/requirements vary by course.
Study Period Spring from 1 September to 11 December 2020 with no published exam period as the examination dates/requirements vary by course.

(h) La Trobe University offers two other Summer 2 (6 weeks in duration) from 3 Feb to 14 Feb. Both share the same examination period as the Summer 1 session above. It also offers a Winter session (2 weeks in duration) from 29 Jun to 10 Jul, with examinations held from 14 to 17.

(i) RMIT University offers flexible teaching throughout the academic year with additional Spring and Summer teaching semesters.

(j) Swinburne University will operate a formal Winter Term from 22 Jun 20 to 2 Aug 20. Limited number of degree programs or individual units. Different calendars operate for different Faculties and cohorts.

(k) Victoria University delivers most undergraduate units in Block study periods. Each Block is four weeks' duration. Four sets of Blocks run within Autumn Session (Semester 2). Summer and Winter Blocks are also offered as optional study periods. * VU runs formal trimesters for PG business from 9 Mar to 5 Jun with exam period 15 - 19 June, 20 Jul to 9 Oct with exam period 15 - 19 Feb '21 * VU Winter Semester runs 8 Jun - 17 Jul with exam period 20 Jul - 24 Jul.

(I) Two short mid-term breaks, shown separately.

(m) No formal summer semester period, however a select number of individual subjects are offered.

(n) Murdoch University will operate a formal Winter Term from 22 Jun to 17 Jul with Exam period from 20 Jul to 24 Jul. Limited number of degree programs or individual units.

(o) Murdoch University will operate formal trimesters from 13 Jan to 3 Apr, with exam period from 11 Apr to 18 Apr; 4 May to 24 Jul with exam period from 1 Aug to 8 Aug; 31 Aug to 20 Nov with exam period from 28 Nov to 5 Dec.

(p) The University of Western Australia will operate formal trimesters from 27 Jan to 17 Apr, with exam period from 1 Aug to 8 Aug; 31 August to 20 Nov with exam period from 21 to 28 November

(q) The University of Adelaide offers formal trimesters 3 February - 3 May, with exam period from 7 May to 9 May; 25 May - 23 August with exam period from 27 to 29 August; 7 Sept to 29 Nov with exam period from 3 Dec to 5 Dec (r) University of Canberra will operate a formal mid-year term from 01 Jun to 17 Jul, with exam period from 20 Jul to 01 Aug. A limited summer teaching period will apply in 2020.

(s) Australian Catholic University offers a winter term from 18 May to 26 July.

(t) The University of Notre Dame Australia offers a winter term from 15 June 2020 to 3 July 2020