

2022-23

interfaith calendar

As there are an abundance of spiritual and religious traditions represented at UVM, so there are a multitude of sacred days observed throughout the world every week. The following is a small selection of major holy days and celebrations for various traditions falling during the academic year. For links to campus policies and practices regarding holiday observances for UVM students, staff and faculty, visit www.uvm.edu/interfaithcenter/resources

Key Symbols:

= Work Restricted Holiday

Those observing may not be permitted to engage in daily activities (e.g., work or school) – including taking exams or other routine commitments

= Traveling Home


While this day may not be work restricted, it may be a holy day or celebration which individuals want to spend with their families or faith communities.

= Involves Fasting

Those observing may be required to abstain from eating and drinking, either completely or from certain foods, for a period of time (e.g., sunrise to sunset).

Fall Semester




(*) Means observances begin at sundown the day before (+) Means dates may vary by country or custom

Krishna Janmashtami	Hinduism	Aug 18 ⁺	Thursday	
Paryushana Parva	Jainism	Aug 23 – 31	Tuesday – Wednesday	 
Rosh Hashanah	Judaism	Sept 26 – 27 [*]	Monday – Wednesday	 
Navaratri	Hinduism	Sept 26 – Oct 4 ⁺	Monday – Tuesday	
Yom Kippur	Judaism	Oct 5 [*]	Wednesday – Thursday	  
Sukkot	Judaism	Oct 10 – 16 [*]	Monday – Monday	 
Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah	Judaism	Oct 17 – 18 [*]	Monday – Wednesday	 
Diwali	Jainism, Hinduism, Sikhism	Oct 24 – 28 ⁺	Monday – Friday	
Twin Holy Birthdays (Bab & Baha'ullah)	Baha'ism	Oct 26 – 27 [*]	Wednesday – Friday	
Samhain	Paganism	Nov 1 [*]	Tuesday – Wednesday	
Dia de los Muertos	Mesoamerican	Nov 1 – 2	Tuesday – Wednesday	
Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday	Sikhism	Nov 7	Monday	






Winter Session

Christmas	Christianity	Dec 25	Sunday	
Kwanzaa	African American	Dec 26 – Jan 1	Monday – Sunday	
Oshogatsu/Gantan-Sai (New Year)	Shintoism	Jan 1	Sunday	

Spring Semester

Lunar New Year	Confucianism, Daoism, Buddhism	Jan 22	Sunday	
Ash Wednesday	Christianity	Feb 22	Wednesday	
Nineteen Day Fast	Baha'ism	Mar 2 – 20 [*]	Tuesday – Sunday	
Magha Puja Day	Buddhism	Mar 6 ⁺	Monday	
Ramadan	Islam	Mar 23 – Apr 20 [*]	Thursday – Thursday	
Mahavir Jayanti	Jainism	Apr 4 ⁺	Tuesday	
Good Friday	Christianity / Orthodox	Apr 7 / Apr 14	Friday	
Pesach (Passover)	Judaism	Apr 6 – 13 [*]	Thursday – Friday	  
Easter/Pascha	Christianity / Orthodox	Apr 9 / Apr 16	Sunday	
Baisakhi/Vaisakhi (New Year)	Sikhism	Apr 14	Friday	
Eid al-Fitr	Islam	Apr 21 [*]	Friday	
Beltane	Paganism	May 1 [*]	Monday	
Vesak/Visakha Puja (Buddha Day)	Buddhism	May 5 ⁺	Friday	

Summer Session

Declaration of the Bab	Baha'ism	May 24 [*]	Tuesday – Wednesday	
Shavuot	Judaism	May 26 – 27 [*]	Saturday – Monday	 
Ascension of Baha'ullah	Baha'ism	May 29 [*]	Sunday – Monday	
Eid al Adha	Islam	Jun 29 – Jul 2 [*]	Tuesday – Monday	

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