

CALENDAR FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2015/2016 AT JAGIELLONIAN AND MASARYK UNIVERSITIES

A. Semesters

Autumn Semester at the Jagiellonian University in 2015/16 will be:

2 October – 15 January	classes
18 January – 26 January	regular exams
17 – 23 February	re-sit exams

Spring Semester at the Masaryk University in 2015/16 will be:

22 February - 23 May 2016	classes
23 May – 3 July 2016 (or earlier upon agreement with the teachers)	exams

B. Academic holidays

On academic holidays, there are no classes or examinations. The main University offices are usually closed. Those offices that are open operate with reduced hours and staff. Instructors are usually unavailable for consultation during academic holidays.

Holiday break (JU):	23 December 2015 – 3 January 2016
Semester break (JU):	11 – 16 February 2016
Holiday break (JU):	25 March – 29 March 2016
Summer holiday (JU):	30 June – 31 August 2016
Holiday break (Brno):	23 December 2015 – 3 January 2016
Summer holiday (Brno):	4 July – 31 August 2016

The Rector may declare additional academic holidays throughout the year. These are known as 'Rector's hours' and are usually declared by the Rector relatively close in time to the holiday. They are often declared for half of a normal working day.

C. Polish and Czech national public holidays

All Saints' Day	1 November 2015
Independence Day	11 November 2015
Christmas	25 – 26 December 2015
New Year's Day	1 January 2016
Epiphany	6 January 2016
Easter	27-28 March 2016
May Day	1 May 2016
Constitution Day	3 May 2016 (only in Poland)
Victory in Europe Day	8 May 2016 (only in Czech Republic)
Corpus Christi	26 May 2016 (only in Poland)

On Polish and Czech national holidays, the Jagiellonian University as well as all government institutions and most private businesses are completely closed (some Czech supermarkets can be open, but do not count on it). Remember to shop for additional food and other necessities before the holidays.

D. Calendar 2015/2016

Pre-semester 2015

- **22 – 26 September 2015:** Advised arrival for students wishing to rent a flat and to participate in integration weekend.
- **28 - 29 September: Integration days at CES (optional)**
- **End of September (TBC):** Orientation week run by the Erasmus Student Network. All international students are invited to join Erasmus students.
- **30 September 2015 – 2 October 2015:** Students moving to university housing may do so.

Autumn semester 2015/16 in Kraków

- **30 September 2015:** Orientation for new MA students and Study Abroad
- **30 September 2015:** Deadline for payment of tuition fee for 1st semester
- **1 October 2015, TBA:** Official inauguration ceremony of the 651st academic year of the Jagiellonian University. The ceremony is preceded by Mass and a procession from Collegium Maius.
- **5 October 2015:** First day of regular autumn semester classes
- **6 October, 2015, 5 p.m.:** Inaugural Lecture for the Centre for European Studies
- **2-3 October 2015:** Integration trip to the mountains, Poland
- **5-12 October 2015:** Students may begin to register for autumn courses and languages
- **9 October 2015:** Trip to Nowa Huta
- **24 - 31 October 2015:** Study trip to Slovakia and Czech Republic*
- **11 November 2015:** Independence Day – no classes at University
- **22 December 2015:** Last day of MA-level classes before Christmas break
- **23 December 2015 – 3 January 2016:** Christmas and New Year break; no classes
- **4 January 2016:** Autumn semester MA-level classes resume
- **6 January 2016:** Epiphany, no classes
- **15 January 2015:** Last day of autumn semester classes
- **18 – 26 January:** Examination period
- **17 – 23 February:** Re-sit examination period

* Regular MA classes will take place during the time scheduled for the study trips.

Spring semester 2016 in Brno

- **12 - 14 February 2016:** Recommended Arrival
- **14 - 21 February 2016:** Orientation for new international students
- Official registration during the orientation or in the first week of teaching
- **22 February - 6 March 2016:** Changes in course enrollment
- **22 February - 22 May 2016 (13 weeks):** Classes
- **23 February 2016:** Deadline for payment of tuition fee for 2nd semester
- **24 May - 3 July 2015 (6 weeks):** Exam period