

CES/IES ACADEMIC CALENDAR (FOR ENGLISH-TAUGHT PROGRAMMES)

ACADEMIC YEAR AND DURATION OF PROGRAMMES 2021/2022

Scheduled Academic Year

The academic year is defined as running from 1 October until the following 30 September. This is the academic year which is used to determine the length of most bureaucratic procedures such as bank loans and insurance.

Semesters

In Poland, the academic year is divided into two semesters. In 2021/2022, they will be:

1st semester:

1 October 2021 – 28 January 2022	regular classes for all programmes at JU
2 October – 10 December 2021/ 28 January 2022	classes for SA Programme at CES/IES
13 December – 17 December 2021	exams for SA programme*
29 January – 11 February 2022	regular exams
19 – 24 February 2022	regular re-sit exams**

2nd semester:

25 February 2022 – 16 June 2022	regular classes for all programmes at JU
25 February 2022 – 16 June 2022	classes for SA Programme at CES/IES
17 – 30 June 2022	regular exams (for SA programme as well)
1 – 15 September 2022	regular re-sit exams**

*Please note that due to the difference in academic calendars between sending university and JU, study abroad students may either finish their 1st semester abroad in mid-December or stay till end of January to finish MA-level and other JU courses. CES courses dedicated to SA Students finish December 10th 2021, with exams following shortly after, however MA-level and other JU courses last until the end of January, with exams in late January and early February. Please notify CES/IES staff of your preference, so that they may advise on courses as well as visas in due time.

**Re-sit exams for SA students are to be scheduled on individual basis.

Jagiellonian University 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 breaks:

23 December 2021 – 2 January 2022
15-19 April 2022

Additional days off from classes are:

- 12 November 2021
- 2 May 2022
- Friday in the week when Student Carnival (Juwenalia) takes place (mid-May)

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.

Polish national public holidays

All Saints' Day	1 November 2021
Independence Day	11 November 2021
Christmas	25 – 26 December 2021
New Year's Day	1 January 2022
Epiphany	6 January 2022
Easter	17-18 April 2022
Labour Day	1 May 2022
Constitution Day	3 May 2022
Corpus Christi	16 June 2022

CES/IES Calendar 2021/2022

1st Semester

- **15 – 28 September 2021:** On-line Survival Polish course (highly recommended for BA and SA students).
- **28 – 29 September 2021:** Advised arrival and check-in to dormitories.
- **29 September 2021:** Orientation – administrative & academic issues
- **30 September 2021:** Kraków Old Town Guided Tour, Orientation - non-academic issues
- **29-30 September 2021:** On-line registration for 1st-semester courses.
- **1 October 2021:** Official inauguration ceremony of the academic year of the Jagiellonian University, city game "Discover Kraków"
- **4 October 2021:** First day of CES/IES 1st semester classes.
- **9 October 2021:** Study Trip to Nowa Huta for SA and 1st year BA students.

- **16 October 2021:** Study Trip to Nowa Huta for MA students.
- **1 November 2021:** All Saints' Day – no classes.
- **11 November 2021:** Independence Day – no classes.
- **13 – 17 December 2021:** Exam session for Study Abroad students.
- **23 December 2021 – 6 January 2022:** Christmas and New Year break – no classes
- **29 January – 11 February 2022:** Regular examination session for all students.
- **19 – 24 February 2022:** Re-sit examination session.

2nd semester

- **14 – 23 February 2022:** Survival Polish course (highly recommended for SA students).
- **23 February 2022:** Advised arrival and check-in to dormitories for new students.
- **24 February 2022:** Orientation for new students.
- **25 February 2022:** Start of spring semester classes.
- **End of February 2022:** On-line registration for 2nd-semester courses.
- **5 – 6 March 2022:** Study Trip (TBC).
- **15 – 31 March 2022:** Students may renew their *legitymacja* (student ID) for the spring semester by submitting it to the CES/IES Administration Office.
- **15 – 19 April 2022** – Easter Holiday break, no classes.
- **1 – 3 May 2022:** May Day, Constitution Day – no classes.
- **14 – 15 May 2022:** Study trip for SA students (covered by tuition fees).
- **mid-May 2022:** Juwenalia (student carnival – no classes on Friday).
- **16 June 2022:** Last day of classes.
- **17 – 30 June 2022:** Final exam session.
- **1 – 15 September 2022:** Re-sit exam session.