

# SA PROGRAMME CALENDAR

## ACADEMIC YEAR AND DURATION OF PROGRAMME 2018/2019

### A. 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.

### B. Semesters

In Poland, the academic year is divided into two semesters. In 2018/2019, they will be:

1<sup>st</sup> semester:

2 October 2018 – 27 January 2019	regular classes for all programmes at JU
2 October – 12 December 2018	classes for SA Programme at CES
13 December – 18 December 2018	exams for SA programme*
28 January – 9 February 2019	regular exams
16 – 22 February 2019	regular re-sit exams**

2<sup>nd</sup> semester:

23 February – 14 June 2019	classes for SA and all the other programmes at JU
15 – 29 June 2019	exams for SA and all other programmes at JU
1 – 15 September 2019	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 mid-January to finish MA-level and other JU courses. CES courses dedicated to SA Students finish December 12, with exams following shortly after, however MA-level and other JU courses last until the end of January, with exams in early February. Please notify CES 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.

### C. 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.

<b>Holiday break:</b>	22 December 2018 – 2 January 2019
<b>Semester break:</b>	10 – 15 February 2019
<b>Holiday break:</b>	19 – 23 April 2019
<b>Summer holiday</b>	30 June – 30 September 2019

Additional day off from classes is:

- 2 May 2019
- 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.

#### D. Polish national public holidays

<b>All Saints’ Day</b>	1 November 2018
<b>Independence Day</b>	11 November 2018
<b>Christmas</b>	25 – 26 December 2018
<b>New Year’s Day</b>	1 January 2019
<b>Epiphany</b>	6 January 2019
<b>Easter</b>	21 - 22 April 2019
<b>May Day</b>	1 May 2019
<b>Constitution Day</b>	3 May 2019
<b>Corpus Christi</b>	20 June 2019

#### E. CES Calendar 2018/2019

##### 1st Semester

- **17 - 19 September 2018:** Advised arrival for students wishing to rent a flat
- **27-28 September 2018 :** Advised arrival and check-in to housing for students.
- **29-30 September 2018:** Integration events at CES (optional)
- **1 October 2018, 10:00 AM:** Official inauguration ceremony of the academic year of the Jagiellonian University. The ceremony is preceded by Mass and a procession from Collegium Maius
- **1 October 2018, 12:00 PM:** Orientation for new students, **2:30-4:30PM:** meetings with coordinators
- **2 October 2018:** First day of CES 1st semester classes, **8:30-10:00 AM:** Polish language placement test
- **3-5 October 2018:** Registration for courses
- **7 October 2018:** Małopolska day trip
- **8 October – Day of the Faculty – no classes, 5:00 PM:** Inaugural Lecture for the Centre for European Studies (mandatory)
- **Mid-October (TBA):** Jagiellonian Library tour and digital resources workshop
- **Mid-October 2018:** Election of Student Representatives for 2018/19
- **1 November 2018:** All Saints’ Day
- **Beginning of November 2018:** Study trip for SA and BA students to Gorajec “Meeting with Polish Culture” (covered by tuition fees)
- **11 November 2018:** Independence Day – no classes at University

- **13-18 December 2018** – Exam session
- **22 Dec 2018 -2 Jan 2019:** Christmas and New Year break; no classes

### **2nd semester**

- **25 February 2019:** Start of spring semester classes
- **1 March 2019 (TBC):** Visit to Nowa Huta
- **Beginning of March 2019 (TBC):** Registration for spring courses
- **15 – 31 March 2018:** Students may renew their *legitymacja* (student ID) for the spring semester by submitting it to the administration office
- **19- 23 April 2019** – Easter Holiday break, no classes
- **1 - 3 May 2019:** May Day, Constitution Day – no classes at the University
- **1 – 5 May 2019:** Bieszczady Trip
- **mid-May 2019 (TBA):** Juwenalia (Student carnival – no classes on Friday)
- **25 –26 May (TBC):** Weekend trip (covered by tuition fee)
- **15 June 2019:** Last day of classes
- **16 – 29 June 2019:** Final exam session
- **1 – 15 September 2019:** Re-sit exam session