

**RHODES UNIVERSITY**  
**ADJUSTED ACADEMIC YEAR – 2020**  
**ALL STUDENTS EXCEPT FINAL YEAR PHARMACY STUDENTS**  
**(12 June 2020)**

<b>Semester One - 2020</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Teaching Days</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>[10 Feb – 13 Mar]</b>  Week 1: 10-14 Feb Week 2: 17-21 Feb Week 3: 24-28 Feb Week 4: 2-6 Mar Week 5: 9-13 Mar	Period prior to lockdown	25 days	During this period of face-to-face learning (Week 1-5), both Formative Assessment (not for marks) and Continuous Assessment (for marks) was conducted.
<b>[16 Mar – 17 Mar]</b>	Lectures Suspended	2 days	
<b>[18 Mar – 17 Apr]</b>	<b>VACATION (extended)</b>		
<b>[20 Apr – 1 May]</b>	Orientation to Remote/Online Teaching and Learning		
<b>[4 May – 26 Jun]</b>  Week 6: 4-8 May Week 7: 11-15 May Week 8: 18-22 May Week 9: 25-29 May Week 10: 1-5 Jun Week 11: 8-12 Jun Week 12: 15-19 Jun Week 13: 22-26 Jun	Remote/Online Teaching and Learning	40 days	During this period (Week 6-13), in addition to normal studies, Formative Assessment (not for marks) will also be conducted in Weeks 6-12, and Continuous Assessment (for marks) will also be conducted in Week 13.
<b>29 Jun – 3 Jul</b>	<b>VACATION/CATCH-UP (Faculty of Pharmacy to follow an alternative schedule for final year Pharmacy students due to specific programme requirements)</b>		
<b>[6 Jul – 24 Jul]</b>  Week S1.1: 6-10 Jul Week S1.2: 13-17 Jul Week S1.3: 20-24 Jul	Assessment		During this period (Week S1.1-1.3), Continuous Assessment (for marks) and Alternative Summative Assessment will be conducted in Weeks S1.1-S1.3. <i>(Final year Pharmacy will follow an alternative</i>

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			<i>calendar)</i>
<b>BREAK 27 JULY – 31 JULY</b>	<b>VACATION/CATCH-UP (Faculty of Pharmacy to follow an alternative schedule due to specific programme</b>		

**NOTE:**

**No Summative Assessment (formal sit-down examinations) will be conducted in Semester One.**

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**IMPORTANT DATES:**

- 22 Jun onwards: Start of period of Continuous Assessment (for marks) (except for final year Pharmacy students)
- 24 Jul: Final date for students' submission for marking of all Continuous Assessment (for marks) and Alternative Summative Assessments (assignments/projects/portfolios) (except for final year Pharmacy students)
- 14 Aug: Date for submission of final results to the Registrar's Division for all courses for Semester One (except for final year Pharmacy students)

<b>Semester Two - 2020</b>			
<b>Date</b>	<b>Detail</b>	<b>Teaching Days</b>	<b>Comments</b>
<b>[3 Aug – 28 Aug]</b>  Week 1: 3-7 Aug Week 2: 10-14 Aug Week 3: 17-21 Aug Week 4: 24-28 Aug Week 5: 31 Aug-4 Sept Week 6: 7-11 Sept  Public Holiday: 10 Aug: Women's Day	Remote/Online Teaching and Learning	29 days	During this period (Week 1-6), in addition to normal studies, both Formative Assessment (not for marks) and Continuous Assessment (for marks) will also be conducted in Weeks 1-6.
<b>[14 Sept – 18 Sept]</b>	<b>VACATION (Including Faculty of Pharmacy)</b>		
<b>[21 Sept – 6 Nov]</b>  Week 7: 21-25 Sept Week 8: 28 Sept–2 Oct Week 9: 5 – 9 Oct Week 10: 12-16 Oct Week 11: 19-23 Oct Week 12: 26-30 Oct Week 13: 2-6 Nov  Public Holiday: 24 Sept: Heritage Day	Remote/Online Teaching and Learning	34 days	During this period (Week 7-13), in addition to normal studies, both Formative Assessment (not for marks) and Continuous Assessment (for marks) will also be conducted in Weeks 6-13.
<b>[9 Nov - 30 Nov]</b>	Assessment for all Faculties, including Pharmacy		During this period, both Alternative Summative Assessment and

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Week S2.1: 9-13 Nov Week S2.2: 16-20 Nov Week S2.3: 23-27 Nov Week S2.4: 30 Nov			Summative Assessment (formal sit-down examinations) will be conducted in Weeks S2.1- S2.5.
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**NOTE:**

- Summative Assessment (formal sit-down examinations) will be conducted for select exit-level courses (still to be identified) in Semester Two.
- The Faculty of Pharmacy will follow an alternative adjusted academic year for final year Pharmacy students (see Adjusted Academic Year for Final Year Pharmacy Students).
- The Adjusted Academic Year continues to remain fluid depending on the Covid-19 pandemic.
- The DBE adjusted calendar for Grade 12 exams needs to be considered in the 2021 registration of students.
- The phased return of students for 2020 as may be announced may impact on further adjustments.

**IMPORTANT DATES: except for final year Pharmacy students**

8 Dec: Date for submission of final results to the Registrar's Division for all courses for Semester Two

15 Dec – 18 Dec: Submission of results to Deans for analysis

21 Dec (9am): Submission of recommendations by Deans

6 Jan – 8 Jan: Approval by Faculties

11 Jan -13 Jan: Final capturing and release of results

08 – 12 Feb: Possible Supplementary Assessments

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