

**High Holy Days**  
**2016-2017 Academic Year**  
(while in session)

**September 2016**

12	Eid al-Adha ◯	Muslim
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**October 2016**

2	Erev of Rosh HaShanah~(Evening of Jewish New Year)	Jewish
3-4	Rosh HaShanah (Two day Jewish New Year)	Jewish
11	Kol Nidre ~ (Eve of Day of Atonement) Fasting	Jewish
12	Yom Kippur* (Day of Atonement)	Jewish
30	Diwali (Festival of Lights)	Hindu
31	Samhain ( New Year)	Pagan

**November**

12	(Birth of Baha'u'llah)	Baha'i
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**December 2016**

8	Bodhi Day (Buddha's enlightenment)	Buddhist
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**February 2017**

25	Maha Shivratri ◯	Hindu
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**March 2017**

1	Ash Wednesday (Lent begins)	Christian
13	Holi ( <i>Generally celebrated in evening</i> )	Hindu

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**April 2017**

10-18	Pesach/Passover ~*(First Night of Passover Seder) ( <i>Passover dietary restrictions exclude cereal grains and yeast fermentation products</i> )	Jewish
14	Good Friday	Christian
16	Easter (Sunday)	Christian
16	Easter/Pascha (Orthodox)	Christian

**May 2017**

1	Beltane (May Day)	Pagan
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Codes:

~ = Jewish holy days begin and end at sunset.

○ = Certain Hindu and Muslim holy days are calculated on a lunar calendar and are approximate.

\* = Observance may include ceasing from labor, defined as commerce, writing, work, and travel.