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| **Tishk International University Academic Calendar 2023 - 2024** |
| **August 2023** |  | **September 2023** |  | **October 2023** |  | **November 2023** |
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| **April 2024** |  | **May 2024** |  | **June 2024** |  | **August 2024** |
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|  | **Midterm Exams** |  |  | **Make-up Exams &Summer School** |  |  | **Fall & spring Semester Classes Begin** |  |  | **Teaching** **Week** |
|  | **Final Exams** |  |  | **Event week** |  |  | **Public Holidays** |  |  | **Course Registration**  |

The academic calendar is divided into fall and spring semesters of minimum 16 weeks of educational period for each term. The middle of 1 week of the fall and spring semesters is set aside for midterm examinations. The last 2 weeks of the fall and spring semesters is set aside for final examinations.



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| **From**  | **To** | **Key Academic Dates - Event** |
| August 15 | September 01 | Course Registration Process and Payment Period - First Instalment for Law and Dentistry Faculties |
| September | 01 | Starting of the New Academic Year 2023- 2024 |
| September  | 03 | Fall Semester Classes Begin -Faculties of Law and Dentistry |
| September  | 10 - 11 | Add & Drop Days -Faculties of Law and Dentistry |
| September  | 14 | Last day to submit syllabus to the PIS System - Faculties of Law and Dentistry, Departmental activity plan and Research plan |
| September  | 17-18 | Courses and Lecturer to be assigned to PIS  |
| **September** | **17-21** | **Professional Development Days** |
| September | 27 | (Al Mawlid Al Nabawi) Birthday of prophet Mohammed (PBUH)\* -  | National Holiday |
| September 21 | October 08 | Course Registration Process and Payment Period - First Instalment for All Faculties, except Faculties of Law and Dentistry |
| September 24 |  | New Staff Orientation |
| October  | 01 | Fall Semester Classes Begin - All Faculties |
| October  | 03 | Iraqi Independence Day - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| October  | 8 - 12 | One Course Examination Period |
| October  | 15 - 19 | Add & Drop Days  |
| October  | 19 | Last day to submit syllabus on PIS  |
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| **November**  | **11 - 18** | Mid -Term Examination of Fall Term - (Except Faculties of Law and Dentistry) |
| December  | 17 | Kurdistan Flag Day |
| **December** | **24-29** | **Event week- No classes**  |
| December  | 25 | Christmas Day - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| January, 2023 | 01 | New Year's Day - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| January | 04 | End of Fall Term Courses - Last Day of Classes |
| **January** | **02 - 18** | **Midterm Examination Period - Faculty of Law and Dentistry**  |
| **January** | **06 - 18** | **Final Examination Period - All Faculties (Except Faculties of Law and Dentistry)** |
| January | 22 | Establishment of Republic of Mahabad Day |
| January | 21 | Faculty Examination Committee Meeting |
| January | 22 - 23 | General Examination Committee Meeting |
| January | 21-25 | Make Up Exam Period (Only English Language Teaching Department) |
| January | 23 - 25 | Objection Days |
| January 21 | February 1 | Course Registration Process and Payment Period - Spring Term  |
| January | 25 | Closing of PIS system  |
| January | 21-25 | Courses and Lecturer to be assigned to PIS  |
| January | 28 | Spring Fall Semester Classes Begin -First Day of Classes |
| February | 07 - 11 | Add & Drop Days |
| February | 12 - 15 | One Course Examination Period  |
| February | 15 | Last day to submit syllabus on PIS  |
| March | 05 | Uprising Day (against Saddam Hussein’s regime) - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| March | 08 | International Women's Day |
| March | 10 | National Clothing Day |
| **March** | **11** | **Provisional date for the start of Ramadan** |
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| March | 11 | Uprising of Erbil & Anniversary of 11 March agreement (1970) - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| March | 10 - 20 | Spring Holidays (No classes) (Nawroz) for students | National Holiday |
| March | 14 | (Activity Day) -Birthday of Mustafa Barzani- Tree Planting Day- National Holiday | National Holiday |
| March | 21 - 23 | Nawroz- Kurdish New Year - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| March 31 | April 1 | Easter Holiday - No Classes for the Christian Students |
| **April** | **13 -20** | **Mid-Term Examination Period - All Faculties including dentistry - Except Faculty of Law**  |
| April | 09 | Baghdad Liberation Day (fall of Saddam Hussein’s regime) - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| April | 10 - 12 | Feast of Ramadan ( Eid al-Fitr\*) - Holiday  | National Holiday |
| April | 19 | Yazidi New Year - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| May  | 01 | International Workers' Day (International Labour Day) -  | National Holiday |
| May |  | Graduation Days (Photo Taking Days) - No classes |
| May  | 30 | End of Spring Term Courses - Last Day of Classes |
| May 18 | June 06 | Final Examination Period - Faculty of Law |
| June 1  | June 27 | Final Examination Period - Faculty of Dentistry  |
| June  | 1-13 | Final Examination Period - All Faculties - Except Faculty of Law |
| June | 16-19 | Eid Al-Adha -  | National Holiday |
| June  | 22 - 27 | Make-up Examination Period - Faculty of Law |
| June | 23 | Faculty Examination Committee Meeting |
| June | 24 - 25 | General Examination Committee Meeting and Announcement of the Final Grades |
| June | 24 - 26 | Objection Days |
| June | 27 | Closing the PIS System  |
| July  | 1-30 | SUMMER HOLIDAY  | Holiday |
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| July  | 1-30 | Summer Compensation - Pre-Clinic first grade Faculty of Dentistry  |
| July | 7 | Muharram - Islamic New Year -  | National Holiday |
| July | 14 | Republic Day of Iraq - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| July  | 16 | Ashura - National Holiday | National Holiday |
| August | 01- | Summer Term Course Registration Process and Payment Period  |
| August 11 | September 12 | Summer Term Education Period - All Grades  |
| August 11 | September 19 | Make-up Examination Period |
| September  | 15 - 19 | Final Examination Period for Summer Term |
| September  | 23 | General Exam Committee  |
| September  | 23 - 25 | Objection days |
| September | 23 | Graduation Ceremony |
| September  | 26 | Closing the PIS System  |
| September | 29 | Starting of the New Academic Year 2024- 2025 |

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| **Public – Local Holidays** | **Key Academic Dates - Events** |
| * **27 September:** Birthday of Prophet Mohammed (PBUH)\*
* **3 October:** Iraqi Independence Day (National Day)
* **25 December:** Christmas Day
* **1 January:** New Year's Day
* **5 March:** Uprising Day (against Saddam Hussein’s regime)
* **11 March:** Anniversary of 11 March agreement (1970)
* **14 March:** Birthday of Mustafa Barzani
* **21-23 March:** Nawroz Kurdish New Year
* **31 March- 1 Aprill** Easter Holiday - No Classes for the Christian Students
* **1 April:** Assyrian New Year
* **10-12 April:** Eid-al-Fitr (End of Ramadan)\*
* **9 April:** Baghdad Liberation Day (fall of Saddam Hussein’s regime)
* **19 April:** Yazidis New Year
* **1 May:** International Labour Day
* **16 - 19 June:** Eid al-Qurban\*
* **7 July:** Muharram (Islamic New Year)\*
* **14 July:** Republic Day of Iraq
* **16 July:** Ashura\*
 | * **7 January:** Three days Yaran Feast (Qawltas)
* **22 January:** Establishment of Republic of Mahabad Day
* **1 February:** Erbil Deadly Twin Terrorist attacks
* **25 February:** Journalism Day Turkmen
* **1 March:** Commemoration of Mustafa Barzani’s Death
* **7 March:** Liberation of Slemani City
* **8 March:** Women's Day 10 March: National Clothing Day
* **11 March:** Liberation of Erbil (Hawler) City 14 March: Liberation of Dohuk City
* **16 March:** Halabja Day, Commemoration of chemical weapons bombardment on the city of Halabja
* **21 March:** Liberation of Kirkuk City
* **14 April:** Commemoration of Anfal Genocide against the Garmians' (Chamchamal and Kalar)
* **16 April:** Commemoration of Chemical attack on Balisan
* **22 April:** Kurdish Journalism Day
* **24 April:** Commemoration of Bombardment of Qaladze
* **31 July:** Commemoration of Anfal Genocide against the Barzanis'
* **3 August:** Commemoration of Yazidis' Genocide
* **7 August:** Commemoration of Assyrian Martyrs
* **25 August:** Commemoration of Anfal Genocide against the Badinans'
* **17 November:** Turkmen's Culture and Language Day
* **17 December:** Kurdistan Flag Day
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