

GENERAL WITS BUSINESS SCHOOL DATES

Term Dates	
First Quarter:	23 January – 1 April
Full Time Exams:	20 – 31 March
Part Time Exams:	27 – 31 March
Second Quarter:	10 April – 17 June
Full Time Exams:	5 – 9 June
Part Time Exams:	12 – 17 June
Third Quarter:	26 June – 2 September
Part Time Exams:	28 August – 2 September
Fourth Quarter:	11 September – 18 November
Full Time Exams:	6 – 10 November
Part Time Exams:	13 – 18 November

WBS STUDENT/ PROGRAMME DATES

Graduation Dates	
Thursday 6 July:	09:30
Tuesday 5 December:	09:30

Orientation and group dynamics	
PDBA:	9 – 10 January
PDM F/T:	12 – 13 January
MBA F/T:	16 – 18 January (new students)
MBA P/T:	18 – 20 January (& PDBA & PDM grads)
MMFI/MMENVC:	18 January
MBA Block Release:	19 – 21 June
PDBA Block Release:	12 – 13 July

Exam Dates	
First Quarter:	
Full Time Exams:	20 – 31 March
Part Time Exams:	27 – 31 March
Second Quarter:	
Full Time Exams:	5 – 9 June
Part Time Exams:	12 – 17 June

Third Quarter:	
Part Time Exams:	28 August – 2 September
Fourth Quarter:	
Full Time Exams:	6 – 10 November
Part Time Exams:	13 – 18 November

PhD Seminar Dates:	
PhD seminar 1 (Developing Research Proposal)	27 February – 10 March
PhD seminar 2 (Qualitative Research Methods)	8 – 12 May
PhD seminar 2 (Quantitative Research Methods)	15 – 19 May
PhD seminar 2 (Intermediate Quants Analysis)	22 – 26 May
PhD seminar 3 (Econometrics)	10 – 14 July
PhD seminar 3 (Time Series Analysis)	17 – 21 July

PhD panel defence sessions:	
10 February	
17 February	
24 February	
27 February	
28 February	

WBS ACADEMIC DATES

WBS Postgraduate Meetings	
15 February	
15 March	
19 April	
17 May	
14 June	
19 July	
16 August	
20 September	
18 October	
30 November	

WBS Teaching & Learning Committee (TLC)	
15 February	
10 May	
24 August	
3 October	

Academic teas	
Every Monday 10:30-11:00	

Academic meetings
20 February
15 May
19 June
17 July
21 August
18 September
16 October
20 November
11 December

WBS GENERAL STAFF DATES

Staff Induction dates
1 March
1 June
1 September
1 December

WBS General Staff Meetings
28 February
30 March
3 May <i>(April meeting taking place in May due to April holidays)</i>
31 May
28 June
27 July
29 August
28 September
25 October
28 November

WBS Exco Meetings
22 February
23 March
25 April
24 May
22 June
20 July
22 August
19 September
19 October
21 November

Advisory Board Meetings
14 March
20 June
14 September
22 November

Online Teaching Innovation Workshops
17 February
7 April

CLM FACULTY DATES

Faculty Academic Planning Committee (FAPC) Meeting/Circulation Approval
9 February
9 March
13 April
4 May
8 June

Faculty Board Meetings
17 March
25 May
21 September
26 October

Faculty Teaching and Learning Committee (TLC)
14 February
10 May
26 July
3 October

Faculty Graduate Studies Committee
27 February
9 May
25 July
27 September

Staffing and Promotions Committee meetings
15 February
15 March
13 April
14 June
12 July
14 August

20 September
11 October
8 November

PUBLIC HOLIDAYS AND RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS

(Bold type indicates days when the School is closed)

Public Holidays and Religious Holidays	
New Year's Day	Sunday 1 January
Public Holiday	Monday 2 January
Human Rights Day	Tuesday 21 March
Pesach (Day 1)	Tuesday 11 April
Pesach (Day 2)	Wednesday 12 April
Good Friday	Friday 14 April
Family Day and Pesach (Day 7)	Monday 17 April
Pesach (Day 8)	Tuesday 18 April
Freedom Day	Thursday 27 April
Workers Day	Monday 1 May
First day of Ramadan	Saturday 27 May
Shavuoth	Wednesday 31 May
Shavuoth	Thursday 1 June
Youth Day	Friday 16 June
Eid-ul-Fitr	Monday 26 June
Women's Day	Wednesday 9 August
Eid-ul-Adha	Friday 1 September
Rosh Hashanah (Day 1)	Thursday 21 September
Rosh Hashanah (Day 2)	Friday 22 September
Heritage Day	Sunday 24 September
Public Holiday	Monday 25 September
Yom Kippur	Saturday 30 September
Succot (Day 1)	Thursday 5 October
Succot (Day 2)	Friday 6 October
Shi'mini Atzeret	Thursday 12 October
Simchat Torah	Friday 13 October
Diwali (South India)	Wednesday 18 October
Diwali (North India)	Thursday 19 October
Day of Reconciliation	Saturday 16 December
Christmas Day	Monday 25 December
Day of Goodwill	Tuesday 26 December

CALENDAR

JANUARY 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 New Year's Day	2 Public Holiday	3 WBS Re-opens Online registration starts	4	5	6	7
8	9 PDBA Group Dynamics	10 PDBA Group Dynamics	11	12 PDM FT Group Dynamics	13 PDM FT Group Dynamics On campus registration starts	14
15	16 MBA F/T Orientation Academic Tea	17 MBA F/T Orientation	18 MBA F/T, PDBA F/T, MMFI and MMENVC Orientation	19 MBA P/T and PDBA Orientation	20 MBA P/T and PDBA Orientation	21
22	23 Start of 1 st Quarter Academic Tea	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 Academic Tea Academic Support Office Workshop	31 Academic Support Office Workshop				

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FEBRUARY 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Academic Tea VIP Room	7	8	9 FAPC Meeting/ Circulation	10	11
12	13 Academic Tea	14 Faculty Teaching & Learning Committee (TLC)	15 Applications open for June WBS Post Grad Wits Staff Induction Faculty S&P	16 Wits Staff Induction	17	18
19	20 Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	21	22 Faculty Exec Committee	23	24 Dean's Awards	25
26	27 Academic Tea Grad Studies Committee	28 WBS Staff Meeting				

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MARCH 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 WBS Admin Staff Induction	2	3	4
5	6 Academic Tea	7	8 WBS Best Lecturer of the Year Awards	9 FAPC Meeting WBS TLC (AW)	10	11
12	13 Academic Tea	14	15 WBS Post Grad Faculty S&P	16	17 Faculty Board Meeting	18
19 Global Tour starts (ends 31 March)	20 Full Time Exam Week starts	21 HUMAN RIGHTS DAY	22 Faculty Exec Committee	23	24	25
26	27 Part Time Exam Week starts Academic Tea	28	29	30 WBS Staff Meeting	31	

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APRIL 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 End of 1 st Quarter
2	3 Academic Tea	4	5	6	7	8
9	10 Start of 2nd Quarter Academic Tea	11	12	13 Faculty S&P FAPC Meeting/ Circulation	14 Good Friday	15
16	17 Family Day Pesach	18 Pesach	19 WBS Post Grad	20 Faculty Exec Committee	21	22
23	24 Academic Tea PG Marks ad hoc	25	26	27 Freedom Day	28	29
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MAY 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 Workers Day	2 Applications open for 2018 VC Meeting with all staff	3 WBS Staff Meeting VC Meeting with all staff	4 FAPC Meeting/ Circulation	5	6
7	8 Academic Tea PG Marks ad hoc	9 Grad Studies Committee	10 Faculty TLC WBS TLC (AW)	11 Faculty S&P	12	13
14	15 Applications close for June intake Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	16	17 WBS Post Grad Faculty Exec Committee	18	19	20
21	22 Academic Tea VIP Room	23	24	25 Faculty Board Meeting	26	27 1 st Day of Ramadan
28	29 Academic Tea	30	31 WBS Staff Meeting Shavuoth			

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JUNE 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 Online registration for June intake starts WBS Admin Staff Induction	2	3
4	5 Full Time Exam Week starts Academic Tea	6	7 Wits Staff Medical Aid AGM	8 FAPC Meeting/ Circulation	9	10
11	12 Part Time Exam Week starts Academic Tea	13	14 WBS Post Grad Faculty S&P	15	16 Youth Day	17 End of 2 nd Quarter
18	19 MBA Block Release Orientation Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	20 MBA Block Release Orientation	21 MBA Block Release Orientation Faculty Exec Committee	22 WBS TLC (AW)	23	24
25	26 Start Of 3 rd Quarter Eid-UI-Fitr Academic Tea	27	28 WBS staff Meeting	29	30	

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JULY 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1
2	3 Academic Tea	4	5	6 Wits Staff Induction CLM Graduation	7 PG Marks ad hoc	8
9	10 Academic Tea	11 Wits Staff Induction	12 PDBA Block 2 nd Term Orientation Faculty S&P	13 PDBA Block 2 nd Term Orientation	14 PG Marks ad hoc	15
16	17 Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	18	19 WBS Post Grad	20	21	22
23	24 Academic Tea	25 Grad Studies Committee	26 Faculty Exec Committee Faculty TLC	27 WBS Staff Meeting	28	29
30	31 Academic Tea					

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AUGUST 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Academic Tea	8	9 Women's Day	10	11	12
13	14 Academic Tea Faculty S&P	15	16 WBS Post Grad	17	18	19
20	21 Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	22	23 Faculty Exec Committee	24 WBS TLC (AW)	25	26
27	28 Part Time Exam Week starts Academic Tea	29 WBS Staff Meeting	30	31		

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SEPTEMBER 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Eid-ul-Adha WBS Admin Staff Induction	2 End Of 3rd Quarter
3	4 Academic Tea	5	6	7	8	9
10	11 Start Of 4th Quarter Academic Tea	12	13 Faculty Exec Committee	14	15	16
17	18 Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	19 PG Marks ad hoc VC Meeting with all staff	20 WBS Post Grad Faculty S&P	21 Rosh Hashanah Faculty Board Meeting VC Meeting with all staff	22 Rosh Hashanah	23
24 Heritage Day	25 Public Holiday	26	27 Grad Studies Committee	28 PG Marks ad hoc WBS Staff Meeting	29 Applications for 2018 close	30 Yom Kippur

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OCTOBER 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1	2 Academic Tea	3 Faculty TLC WBS TLC (AW)	4	5 Succot	6 Succot	7
8	9 Academic Tea	10	11 Faculty S&P	12 Sh'mini Atzaret	13 Simchat Torah	14
15	16 Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	17	18 Diwali (S India) WBS Post Grad Faculty Exec Committee	19 Diwali (N India)	20	21
22	23 Academic Tea	24	25 WBS Staff Meeting	26 WBS TLC (AW) Faculty Board Meeting	27	28
29	30 Academic Tea	31				

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NOVEMBER 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1	2	3	4
5	6 Full Time Exam Week starts Academic Tea Global Tour starts (ends 20 Nov)	7	8 Faculty S&P	9	10	11
12	13 Part Time Exam Week starts Academic Tea	14	15 Faculty Exec Committee	16	17	18 End Of 4th Quarter
19	20 Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Academic Tea	28 WBS Staff Meeting	29	30 WBS Post Grad PG Marks ad hoc		

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DECEMBER 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 WBS Admin Staff Induction	2
3	4 Academic Tea	5 CLM Graduation	6	7	8	9
10	11 Academic Tea Academic Staff Meeting (AW)	12	13	14	15	16 Day of Reconciliation
17	18 Academic Tea	19	20	21	22 University Closes	23
24	25 Christmas Day	26 Day Of Goodwill	27	28	29	30
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