

BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION



2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SEMESTER DATES FOR THE 2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

A. CONVENTIONAL PROGRAMMES	
ACTIVITY	DATES
FIRST QUARTER (FIRST HALF OF FIRST SEMESTER 2026)	
University Opens	5 January 2026
Registration Window Opens (Returning students)	5 January 2026
SENEX Board	29 January 2026
First Quarter Begins	16 February 2026
SENEX Board	19 February 2026
Orientation (New Students only)	23 - 27 February 2026
Online Lectures for returning students	16 - 27 February 2026
SENEX Board	26 February 2026
Senate	27 February 2026
Beginning of face to face Lectures (All Students)	2 March 2026
Registration Window Closes	15 March 2026
Examinations	9 - 17 April 2026
End of First Quarter 2025	17 April 2026
Semester Break	18 - 26 April 2026
Marking, Departmental and Faculty Boards of Examiners	17 April - 8 May 2026
SENEX Board	14 May 2026
Publication of Results	15 May 2026
SECOND QUARTER (SECOND HALF OF FIRST SEMESTER 2026)	
Second Quarter Begins	27 April 2026
Beginning of face to face lectures	27 April 2026
Examinations	11 -19 June 2026
End of Second Quarter Semester (Second Half Semester)	19 June 2026
Vacation	20 June -2 August 2026
Marking, Departmental and Faculty Boards of Examiners	22 June - 10 July 2026
SENEX Board	16 July 2026
THIRD QUARTER (FIRST HALF OF SECOND SEMESTER 2026)	
Third Quarter Begins	3 August 2026
Registration Window Opens (Returning students)	20 July 2026
Online Lectures for returning students	3 -14 August 2026
Orientation of new students	13 -21 August 2026
Beginning of face to face lectures for returning students	17 August 2026
Beginning of face to face lectures for new students	24 August 2026

Examinations	1 - 9 October 2026
End of Third Quarter Semester	9 October 2026
Graduation/Semester Break Week (Online Learning continue)	12 - 16 October 2026
Marking, Departmental and Faculty Boards of Examiners	9 -23 October 2026
SENEX Board	29 October 2026
Publication of Results	30 October 2026
FOURTH QUARTER (SECOND HALF OF SECOND SEMESTER 2026)	
Fourth Quarter Begins	19 October 2026
Beginning of face to face lectures	19 October 2026
Examinations	19 - 27 November 2026
End of Fourth Quarter Semester (Second Half Semester)	27 November 2026
Marking, Departmental and Faculty Boards of Examiners	30 Nov. - 11 December 2026
SENEX Board	17 December 2026
Publication of Results	18 December 2026
University closes	24 December 2026
B. BLOCK PROGRAMMES	
FACULTY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION	
Check in	4 January 2026
Verification of Certificates, issuance of students IDs and registration (all first years)	5 January 2026
All Returning Students Classes commence	6 January 2026
All first year students physical orientation	6 January 2026
Vice Chancellor's Address to 1.1	7 January 2026
Face to Face lecturers for 1.1	8 - 16 January 2026
Examinations	19 - 23 January 2026
Second Semester January - June 2026	
1 st Block Check in	7 April 2026
Face to face lectures	8 April - 7 May 2026
Check out	8 May 2026
2 nd Block/Online	1 May - 8 August 2026
2 nd Block Check in	12 August 2026
Face to face lectures	13 - 21 August 2026
Examinations	24 - 28 August 2026
Check out	29 August 2026
First Semester August - December 2026 & January 2027	
FSE Block (August -December 2026 Semester)	31 August - 31 December 2026
Check in	4 January 2027
Verification of certificates, issuance of IDs & registration (new students)	5 January 2027
Returning students, lectures start	5 January 2027
New students (orientation)	5 January 2027
VC address to new students	6 January 2027

Face to face lectures (new students)	7 - 15 January 2027
Examinations	18 - 22 January 2027

ALL BLOCK PROGRAMMES EXAMINATIONS WILL CONDUCTED AT THE SAME TIME AS CONVENTIONAL PROGRAMMES

FACULTY OF SCIENCE

School of Geosciences, Disaster & Development (1 st Block)	13 - 24 January 2025
1 st Semester Block	12 -27 January 2026
2 nd Semester Block	17 August - 1 September 2026

Health Sciences

1 st Semester Blocks	
Health Sciences (PGDIPC) (1 st Block)(1.2)	05 - 16 January 2026
Health Sciences (PGDIPC) (2 nd Block)(1.2)	17 - 28 August 2026
HBScNsE (1 st Block) (1.2)	19 - 30 January 2026
HBScNsE (1 st Block) (2.1)	20 -30 May 2026
HBScNsE (1 st Block) (2.2)	9 - 20 February 2026
HBScNsE/HBScNsC (1 st Block)(3.2)	2 - 13 March 2026
Sport & Exercise Sciences (1 st Block)	06 - 12 January 2026
Sport & Exercise Sciences (2 nd Block)	19 -28 April 2026

2nd Semester Blocks

Health Sciences (PGDIPC) (2 nd Block) (1.2)	17 - 28 August 2026
HBScNsE (2 nd Block) (1.2)	26 May -20 June 2026
HBScNsE (2 nd Block) (2.1)	2 - 27 November 2026
HBScNsE (2 nd Block) (2.2)	1 - 19 June 2026
HBScNsE/HBScNsC (2 nd Block)(3.2)	7 - 19 June 2026
Sport & Exercise Sciences (3 rd Block)	14 -27 August 2026

FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Agricultural Engineering (Block Release)

1 st Semester Block	29 January - 13 February 2026
2 nd Semester Block	20 July - 9 August 2026

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

1 st Semester Block	26 January - 13 February 2026
2 nd Semester Block	20 July - 7 August 2026

FACULTY OF COMMERCE

1 st Semester Blocks	Weekend School
Orientation (New students)	21 February 2026
Online lectures	14 - 21 February 2026
Face to face lectures	28 February - 5 April 2026 & 18 April -7 June 2026

2nd Semester Blocks

Orientation (New students)	8 August 2026
Online lectures	1 - 16 August 2026
Face to face lectures	15 August - 27 Sept & 17 Oct.- 15 Nov 2026

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES & HUMANITIES

Bachelor of Communication Science Honours Degree (Block Release)	
1 st Semester Block	9 - 18 Jan. 2026 & 14 - 25 April 2026
2 nd Semester Block	20 July - 5 August 2026 & 1 -15 Oct 2026

Master of Science in International Relations & Peace and Governance

1 st Semester Block	7 Feb.- 8 March 2026 & 28 April - 24 May 2026
2 nd Semester Block	22 Aug.-20 Sept.& 3 Oct.-1 Nov.2026
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS	
1st Semester Blocks	
Orientation (New Masters students)	14 February 2026
Online lectures (All students)	14 - 21 February 2026
Orientation (New DBL students)	27 February 2026
Face to face lectures for all students	28 February - 5 April 2026 & 25 April - 5 June 2026
2nd Semester Blocks	
Orientation (New Masters students)	8 August 2026
Online lectures (All students)	1 - 14 August 2026
Face to face lectures for all students	15 August - 27 September 2026 & 3 October - 15 November 2026