

# BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION



## 2026 ACADEMIC CALENDAR

## SEMESTER DATES FOR THE 2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

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

<b>Examinations</b>	<b>1 - 9 October 2026</b>
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
<b>SENEX Board</b>	<b>29 October 2026</b>
Publication of Results	30 October 2026
<b>FOURTH QUARTER (SECOND HALF OF SECOND SEMESTER 2026)</b>	
Fourth Quarter Begins	19 October 2026
Beginning of face to face lectures	19 October 2026
<b>Examinations</b>	<b>19 - 27 November 2026</b>
End of Fourth Quarter Semester (Second Half Semester)	27 November 2026
Marking, Departmental and Faculty Boards of Examiners	30 Nov. - 11 December 2026
<b>SENEX Board</b>	<b>17 December 2026</b>
Publication of Results	18 December 2026
University closes	24 December 2026
<b>B. BLOCK PROGRAMMES</b>	
<b>FACULTY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION</b>	
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
<b>Examinations</b>	<b>19 - 23 January 2026</b>
<b>Second Semester January - June 2026</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Block Check in	7 April 2026
Face to face lectures	8 April - 7 May 2026
Check out	8 May 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Block/Online	1 May - 8 August 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Block Check in	12 August 2026
Face to face lectures	13 - 21 August 2026
<b>Examinations</b>	<b>24 - 28 August 2026</b>
Check out	29 August 2026
<b>First Semester August - December 2026 &amp; January 2027</b>	
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
<b>ALL BLOCK PROGRAMMES EXAMINATIONS WILL CONDUCTED AT THE SAME TIME AS CONVENTIONAL PROGRAMMES</b>	
<b>FACULTY OF SCIENCE</b>	
School of Geosciences, Disaster & Development (1 <sup>st</sup> Block)	13 - 24 January 2025
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Block	12 -27 January 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Block	17 August - 1 September 2026
Health Sciences	
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Blocks	
Health Sciences (PGDIPC) (1 <sup>st</sup> Block)(1.2)	05 - 16 January 2026
Health Sciences (PGDIPC) (2 <sup>nd</sup> Block)(1.2)	17 - 28 August 2026
HBScNsE (1 <sup>st</sup> Block) (1.2)	19 - 30 January 2026
HBScNsE (1 <sup>st</sup> Block) (2.1)	20 -30 May 2026
HBScNsE (1 <sup>st</sup> Block) (2.2)	9 - 20 February 2026
HBScNsE/HBScNsC (1 <sup>st</sup> Block)(3.2)	2 - 13 March 2026
Sport & Exercise Sciences (1 <sup>st</sup> Block)	06 - 12 January 2026
Sport & Exercise Sciences (2 <sup>nd</sup> Block)	19 -28 April 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Blocks	
Health Sciences (PGDIPC) (2 <sup>nd</sup> Block) (1.2)	17 - 28 August 2026
HBScNsE (2 <sup>nd</sup> Block) (1.2)	26 May -20 June 2026
HBScNsE (2 <sup>nd</sup> Block) (2.1)	2 - 27 November 2026
HBScNsE (2 <sup>nd</sup> Block) (2.2)	1 - 19 June 2026
HBScNsE/HBScNsC (2 <sup>nd</sup> Block)(3.2)	7 - 19 June 2026
Sport & Exercise Sciences (3 <sup>rd</sup> Block)	14 -27 August 2026
<b>FACULTY OF ENGINEERING</b>	
Bachelor of Science Honours Degree in Agricultural Engineering (Block Release)	
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Block	29 January - 13 February 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Block	20 July - 9 August 2026
<b>FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE &amp; ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Block	26 January - 13 February 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Block	20 July - 7 August 2026
<b>FACULTY OF COMMERCE</b>	
Weekend School	
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Blocks	
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
2 <sup>nd</sup> 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
<b>FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES &amp; HUMANITIES</b>	
Bachelor of Communication Science Honours Degree (Block Release)	
1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Block	9 - 18 Jan. 2026 & 14 - 25 April 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Block	20 July - 5 August 2026 & 1 -15 Oct 2026

<b>Master of Science in International Relations &amp; Peace and Governance</b>
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1 <sup>st</sup> Semester Block	7 Feb.- 8 March 2026 & 28 April - 24 May 2026
2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester Block	22 Aug.-20 Sept.& 3 Oct.-1 Nov.2026
<b>GRADUATE SCHOOL OF BUSINESS</b>	
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Semester Blocks</b>	
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
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Semester Blocks</b>	
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