

VESALIUS COLLEGE - ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2018-2019 (MA)

ACADEMIC WEEKS

ACADEMIC EVENTS

CORE FOUNDATIONS TRIMESTER (FALL 2018)			
ORIENTATION		20 - 21 August	Teaching Quality Workshops
		22 - 24 August	Orientation for new MA students
		23 - 24 August	August 23 Methods and IR Theory placement tests for non-Social Science students August 23 & 24 Registration for new students
27 August - 31 August	Week 1		Initial meeting of Programme Steering Committee All courses: Introductory lessons; GRACM Module 1
03 September - 07 September	Week 2		Courses
10 September - 14 September	Week 3		Courses
17 September - 21 September	Week 4		Courses
24 September - 28 September	Week 5		Courses + 2nd Weekend Module of GRACM
			Early Warning Student Evaluations
01 October - 05 October	Week 6		Deadline for research paper proposals
08 October - 12 October	Week 7		Courses
15 October - 19 October	Week 8		Courses
22 October - 26 October	Week 9		Courses; GRACM Module 3
29 October - 02 November	Fall Recess		Reading Week
05 November - 09 November	Week 10		Courses
12 November - 16 November	Week 11		Courses
19 November - 23 November	Week 12		Courses
		20 November	Academic holiday-VUB Verhaegen Day (no classes, office closed)
26 November - 30 November	Week 13		Courses; GRACM Module 4
03 December - 07 December	Week 14		Courses
10 December - 14 December	Week 15		Revision Session / Course Evaluations
			Submission of MA Thesis Proposals / Submission of Assignments
			Written Exam for Theories of IR

SPRING TRIMESTER 2019			
21 January - 25 January	Week 1		Elective courses start
			Start of Internship for 120 ECTS credits option
			Start of Capstone for 120 ECTS credits option
28 January - 01 February	Week 2		Courses; GRACM weekend Module 5
04 February - 08 February	Week 3		Courses; Writing of first chapter of MA thesis; Meeting with supervisor
11 February - 15 February	Week 4		Courses; Early Warning Student Evaluations
18 February - 22 February	Week 5		Courses
25 February - 01 March	Week 6		Courses; GRACM Module 6
04 March - 08 March	Week 7		Programme Steering Committee meets
11 March - 15 March	Week 8		Courses; first meeting for Capstone Groups
18 March - 22 March	Week 9		Courses; Progress Report meeting Thesis
25 March - 29 March	Week 10		Courses; first internship contacts; GRACM Module 7
01 April - 05 April	Week 11		Courses
08 April - 12 April	Spring Recess		Academic holiday (no classes)
15 April - 19 April	Spring Recess		Academic holiday (no classes)
22 April - 26 April	Week 12		Courses; Capstone meets; GRACM Module 8
29 April - 03 May	Week 13	01 May	Legal holiday
			Courses
06 April - 10 May	Week 14		Courses
13 May - 17 May	Week 15		Final exams
20 May - 24 May	AQC Week	22 May	Courses
		23 - 24 May	External Examiners / AQC meeting on 24 May
27 May - 31 May	Week	27 - 28 May	AQC Remedial action period
	Week	29 May	SASC meetings

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SUMMER TRIMESTER 2019			
27 May - 31 May	Week 1		GRACM Module 9; Thesis Writing: internship; Capstone
03 June - 07 June	Week 2		Thesis Writing: internship; Capstone
10 June - 14 June	Week 3		Meeting with MA Thesis supervisor and group; internship; Capstone
17 June - 21 June	Week 4		Capstone Research Trip
24 June - 28 June	Week 5		Capstone, Internship, MA Thesis writing; GRACM Module 10
01 July - 05 July	Week 6		Final preparations Capstone; Thesis Writing, internship; 2nd session for written exams and papers
			Final Capstone Presentation; Programme Steering Committee meets
08 July - 12 July	Week 7	11 July	Legal holiday
15 July - 19 July	Week 8		Thesis and internship
22 July - 26 July	Week 9		Last week of internship
29 July - 02 August	Week 10		Finalisation of Thesis
			Thesis Submission

Please note that the information highlighted in grey are for faculty and Academic Quality Committee processes only.

First week of September: MA GRADUATION CEREMONY