

ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2026 / 2027

FALL SEMESTER

SEPTEMBER 2026

07 September	Start of classes for the 1 st period (1 st cycle) Welcome session for 1 st cycle students (10 am) Welcome session for Erasmus students (2.30 pm) Garden Party for 1 st cycle and Erasmus students (3.30 pm)
10 September	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm) Volunteering Activity with Caritas Diocesana de Lisboa
21 September	Start of classes of the Fall semester (2 nd and 3 rd cycle) Welcome session for 2 nd and 3 rd cycle students (5.30 pm)
23 September	Scientific Council Meeting IEP

OCTOBER 2026

05 October	<i>National holiday</i>
07 and 08 October	Elections for the IEP Pedagogical Committee
08 October	Professors' Meeting – all cycles (1-2.30 pm)
15 October	Event with the Sovereign Order of Malta (6.30 pm)
19 October	Make-up lessons' day (all cycles)
20 October	Formal Opening Ceremony for the Academic Year - 2026/2027 Mass of the Holy Spirit Roundtable with EuroDefense (5 pm)
20 October	End of the 1 st period (1 st cycle)
21 Oct. to 2 Nov.	Assessment season - 1 st period (1 st cycle)
22 e 23 Oct.	Open Class and International Seminar "Ocean Governance and Economy: The Atlantic Opportunity"

NOVEMBER 2026

01 November	<i>National holiday</i>
03 November	Start of classes of the 2 nd period of the Fall Semester (1 st cycle)
05 November	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm)
06 November	26 th Alexis de Tocqueville Lecture – Graduation Ceremony
11 November	Pedagogical Committee Meeting 1 st cycle (1 pm)
12 November	Pedagogical Committee Meeting 2 nd and 3 rd cycles (1 pm)
20 November	Career Day
24 November	
27 November	Make-up lessons' day (all cycles)
27 and 28 Nov.	Open Class and International Seminar "Political Representation and Inequality after War"

DECEMBER 2026

01 December	<i>National holiday</i>
03 December	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm)
04 December	Security Summit IEP
08 December	<i>National holiday</i>
09 December	Pedagogical Council Meeting (1 pm)
10 December	Christmas Mass (12 pm)
15 December	Christmas Tea IEP (5 pm)
16 December	Christmas Dinner for faculty and staff (7.30 pm)
15 to 17 December	Spring Semester Courses' Registration Registration for finalists' Assessments (1 ^o cycle)
18 December	Last day of teaching for the Fall semester (all cycles)
19 Dez. to 1 Jan.	Christmas Holidays

JANUARY 2027

01 January	<i>National holiday</i>
04 to 19 January	Assessment season – 2 nd period (1 st cycle)
04 to 22 January	Assessment season – Fall semester (2 nd and 3 rd cycles)
14 January	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm)
20 to 22 January	Assessment season – finalist students (previously enrolled)

SPRING SEMESTER

FEBRUARY 2027

01 February	Welcome to new students (2 nd and 3 rd cycles) and Erasmus students (5.30 pm) Start of classes of the Spring Semester (all cycles)
04 February	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm)
05 February	Formal Ceremony for UCP National Day
07 February	UCP National Day
08 to 09 February	<i>Carnival</i>
20 and 21 February*	Winter School
February*	Atlantic Conferences

MARCH 2027

4 March	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm)
11 March	Professors' Meeting (1 pm)
12 March	Make-up lessons' day (all cycles)
16 March	End of the 1 st period (1 st cycle)
17 to 22 March	Assessment season – 1 st period (1 st cycle)
25 to 29 March	University closed
28 March	Easter
30 March a 5 April	Assessment season (continued) – 1st period (1 st cycle)

APRIL 2027

01 April	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm)
06 April	Start of classes for the 2 nd period (1 st cycle)
14 April	Pedagogical Committee Meeting (1 st cycle, 1 pm)
20 April	Open Day / Summit of Democracies
21 April	Pedagogical Committee Meeting (2 nd and 3 rd cycles, 1 pm)
25 April	<i>National holiday</i>
April*	Transatlantic Conferences
April*	IEP 30 Years Commemoration Dinner
MAY 2027	
01 May	<i>National holiday</i>
05 May	Pedagogical Council Meeting (1 pm)
06 May	Fellows' Meeting (1 pm)
07 May	Colloquia
14 May	Make-up lessons' day (all cycles)
21 May	Last day of teaching for the Spring semester (all cycles)
24 to 28 May	Assessment season – Spring semester (all cycles)
27 May	<i>National holiday</i>
31 May to 2 June	Estoril Political Forum 2027 (Summer Course)
JUNE 2027	
8 June	Exam - Summer Course (all cycles)
10 June	<i>National Holiday</i>
07 to 18 June	Assessment season – Spring semester (continued) (all cycles)
13 June	<i>Local Holiday</i>
30 June	Deadline for delivering grades (Faculty)
JULY 2027	
01 July	Registration for Appeal and Improvement assessments 2026/2027
12 to 20 July	Assessment season – Appeal and Improvement (all cycles)
27 to 29 July	Enrolment for the 2027/2028 academic year (online only)
30 July	End of the 2026/2027 Academic year

* *Date TBA/C*

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