Academic calendar for new doctoral students. 2019-2020 academic year

Governing Council Decision CG/2019/03/26, of 24 May 2019, approving the academic calendar for new doctoral students for the 2019-2020 academic year

Office of the Vice-Rector for Science Policy

- A favourable report on this document was issued by the Research Committee on 15 May 2019.
- A favourable report on this document was issued by the Standing Committee of the Doctoral School on 9 May 2019.
Academic year

The 2019-2020 academic year starts on 1 October 2019 and ends on 30 September 2020.

Holidays

Holidays (non-working days) are Saturdays and Sundays and the days set as holidays in the work calendar published by the Government of Catalonia (general holidays). There are also local holidays in each of the towns where UPC schools are located, as well as periods of low occupancy of spaces, in accordance with the Board of Trustees Decision 2018/07/02, of 17 December 2018, which approves the UPC’s budget for 2019; Order TSF/225/2018, of 21 December, which sets the 2019 local holiday calendar for the autonomous community of Catalonia (Official Gazette of the Catalan Government no. 7776, of 28 December 2018); and Order TSF/134/2018, of 30 July, which sets the official 2019 general holiday calendar (Official Gazette of the Catalan Government no. 7677, of 2 August 2018).

The general holidays in the 2019-2020 academic year are the following:

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Non-teaching periods

The non-teaching periods in the 2019-2020 academic year are the following:

- Christmas: from 23 December 2019 to 3 January 2020
- Easter: from 6 April to 9 April 2020
- Summer: from 1 August to 31 August 2020

With regard to elections, non-teaching periods are holidays, in accordance with Article 32.3 of the UPC’s election regulations. In addition to these dates, the period from 1 to 31 July 2020 is also considered a holiday period in electoral terms only.

Theses can be defended in non-teaching periods, unless the University agrees to close its buildings in any of these periods.
Applications for admission

Interested parties may apply for admission to a doctoral programme from 1 September 2019 to 24 July 2020, in accordance with the specific admissions calendar set by the academic committee of the programme within this period.

The academic committees may rule on admissions for applications submitted for the 2019-2020 or 2020-2021 academic year, without distinction, depending on the number of places on the programme.

Annual enrolment

Ordinary enrolment period: from 23 September to 18 October 2019

The first enrolment in the doctoral programme must be done in the academic year and period specified in the decision on admission.

Unless otherwise stated, decisions on admissions issued after 15 April 2020 correspond to admissions and enrolment in the 2020-2021 academic year.

Annual assessment

Deadline for annual assessment in the 2019-2020 academic year: 15 September 2020
Deadline for resitting failed assessments in the 2019-2020 academic year: 15 March 2021

Thesis deposit

Ordinary period for the doctoral thesis deposit: from 1 October 2019 to 30 September 2020. The doctoral unit will not authorise deposits of doctoral theses on holidays and non-working days (including periods of low occupancy) or between 29 and 31 July 2020.

Theses deposited up to 30 September 2020 are considered to belong to the 2019-2020 academic year.

2019-2020 academic year inauguration ceremony and special doctoral awards ceremony (2019 call)

8 November 2019

Doctoral School Open Day

14 May 2020

Special doctoral awards - 2020 call

Publication of the call and calendar: 2 March 2020

1 Check the specific calendar for your unit/programme.
Publication of the definitive list of winners: 26 October 2020

The 2020 Special Doctoral Awards will be presented at the 2020-2021 academic year inauguration ceremony.