

Te Herenga Waka—Victoria University of Wellington 2026 Academic Year

Week	Starting	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Activity	Notes
51	15-Dec	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	T3 Week 5	Last teaching day Fri 19 Dec
52	22-Dec	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	Christmas - New Year break	University closed 22 Dec-4 Jan
1	29-Dec	29	30	31	1	2	3	4	2026	
2	5-Jan	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	T3 Week 6	Teaching resumes 5 Jan T3 (Nov-Dec) GED
3	12-Jan	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	T3 Week 7	
4	19-Jan	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	T3 Week 8	Wellington Anniversary Monday 19 Jan
5	26-Jan	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	T3 Week 9	
6	2-Feb	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	T3 Week 10	Waitangi Day Friday 6 Feb
7	9-Feb	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Break/Enrolment completion week	
8	16-Feb	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Orientation Week	Orientation week T3 (courses ending in Feb) GED
9	23-Feb	23	24	25	26	27	28	1	T1 2026 starts	
10	2-Mar	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	T1 Week 2	
11	9-Mar	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	T1 Week 3	
12	16-Mar	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	T1 Week 4	
13	23-Mar	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	T1 Week 5	
14	30-Mar	30	31	1	2	3	4	5	T1 Week 6	Good Friday 3 Apr
15	6-Apr	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Mid-Trimester break	Easter Mon 6 Apr, Uni holiday Tue 7 Apr
16	13-Apr	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	Mid-Trimester break	School holidays - not estimated for 2026
17	20-Apr	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	T1 Week 7	ANZAC Day Mondayised 27 Apr
18	27-Apr	27	28	29	30	1	2	3	T1 Week 8	ANZAC Day Mondayised 27 Apr
19	4-May	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	T1 Week 9	
20	11-May	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	T1 Week 10	
21	18-May	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	T1 Week 11	Graduation 19, 20, 21 May TBC
22	25-May	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	T1 Week 12	
23	1-Jun	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Study / Assessment period*	King's Birthday 1 Jun Assessment period starts 5 Jun
24	8-Jun	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Assessment period*	
25	15-Jun	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Assessment period*	Assessment period ends 20 Jun Trimester 1 ends 21 Jun
26	22-Jun	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	Mid-Year break	T1 all courses GED
27	29-Jun	29	30	1	2	3	4	5	Mid-Year break	
28	6-Jul	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	T2 2026 starts	Matariki Friday 10 Jul
29	13-Jul	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	T2 Week 2	School holidays - not estimated for 2026
30	20-Jul	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	T2 Week 3	
31	27-Jul	27	28	29	30	31	1	2	T2 Week 4	
32	3-Aug	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T2 Week 5	
33	10-Aug	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	T2 Week 6	
34	17-Aug	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	Mid-Trimester break	
35	24-Aug	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	Mid-Trimester break	
36	31-Aug	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	T2 Week 7	
37	7-Sep	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	T2 Week 8	
38	14-Sep	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	T2 Week 9	
39	21-Sep	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	T2 Week 10	School holidays- not estimated for 2026
40	28-Sep	28	29	30	1	2	3	4	T2 Week 11	
41	5-Oct	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	T2 Week 12	
42	12-Oct	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	Study / Assessment period*	Assessment period starts Friday 16 Oct
43	19-Oct	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	Assessment period*	
44	26-Oct	26	27	28	29	30	31	1	Assessment period*	Labour Day Mon 26 Oct
45	2-Nov	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Assessment period*	Assessment period ends Sat 7 Nov Trimester 2 ends 8 Nov
46	9-Nov	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	Break/Enrolment completion week	
47	16-Nov	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	Summer tri 2026 starts	T2 GED all courses except (LAWS 100-300 courses)
48	23-Nov	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	T3 Week 2	T2 GED (LAWS 100-300 courses only)
49	30-Nov	30	1	2	3	4	5	6	T3 Week 3	
50	7-Dec	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	T3 Week 4	Graduation 8, 9, 10 TBC
51	14-Dec	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	T3 Week 5	Last teaching day 18 Dec
52	21-Dec	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	Christmas - New Year break	University closed 21 Dec-4 Jan
53	28-Dec	28	29	30	31	1	2	3	2027	
54 / 1	4-Jan	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	T3 Week 6	T3 teaching resumes 5 Jan; T3 (Nov-Dec) GED
55 / 2	11-Jan	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	T3 Week 7	
56 / 3	18-Jan	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	T3 Week 8	
57 / 4	25-Jan	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	T3 Week 9	Wellington Anniversary Monday 25 Jan
58 / 5	1-Feb	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	T3 Week 10	
59 / 6	8-Feb	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Break/Enrolment completion week	Mondayised Waitangi Day 8 Feb
7	15-Feb	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Orientation Week	T3 (courses ending Feb) GED
8	22-Feb	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	Tri 1 2027 starts	
9	1-Mar	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	T1 Week 2	

Red text = grade entry deadlines (GED) * the assessment period is inclusive of any exam period

Teaching days Teaching breaks and weekends T = Trimester

Study and assessment periods Public holidays and university holidays