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# 2023-2024

| **Religious Observance** | **Faith** | **Date(s)** | **Major Holidays (University Open)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Onam | Hinduism | August 20 – 31, 2023 |  |
| Krishna Janmashtami | Hinduism | September 6 – 7, 2023 |  |
| Rosh Hashanah | New Year – Judaism (High Holy Days) | September 16 - 17, 20231 | X |
| Ganesh Chaturthi | Hinduism | September 19, 2023 (date may vary) |  |
| Mabon | Pagan/Neopagan | September 21 – 29, 2023 |  |
| Yom Kippur | Judaism – High Holy Days | September 25, 20231 | X |
| Sukkot | Judaism – High Holy Days | October 1 – 6, 20231(first two days) | X |
| Shemini Atzeret | Judaism – High Holy Days | October 7, 20231 |  |
| Simchat Torah | Judaism – High Holy Days | October 8, 20231 |  |
| Indigenous Peoples’ Day[2](#end) |  | October 9, 2024 |  |
| Navratri | Hinduism | October 15 - 24, 2023 |  |
| Birth of the Báb and Baha’u’llah | Bahá’i | October 15, 20231 | X |
| Vijayadashami, Dasara, Dussehra Puja | Hinduism | October 24, 2023 | X |
| Samhain | Pagan/Neopagan | October 31 – November 1, 2023 |  |
| All Saints Day | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | November 1, 2023 | X |
| All Souls Day | Catholicism and Christianity | November 2, 2023 | X |
| Diwali | Hinduism/Sikh/Jainism | November 12, 2023 | X |
| Guru Nanak Gurpurab | Sikh | November 27, 2023 | X |
| Hanukkah | Judaism | December 8 - 15, 20231 |  |
| Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception | Catholicism and Christianity | December 8, 2023 | X |
| Yule | Pagan/Neopagan | December 21, 2023 – January 1, 2024 |  |
| Christmas | Catholicism and Christianity | December 25, 2023 |  |
| St. Basil’s Day (Eastern) | Eastern OrthodoxChristianity | January 1, 2024 |  |
| St. Basil’s Day | OrthodoxChristianity | January 2, 2024 |  |
| Epiphany | Catholicism and Christianity | January 6, 2024 |  |
| Makar Sankranti/Pongal | Hinduism | January 15, 2024 |  |
| Imbolc | Pagan/Neopagan | February 1, 2024 |  |
| Lunar New Year/Spring Festival | Multicultural Holiday | February 10, 2024 (Year of the Dragon) |  |
| Ash Wednesday | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | February 14, 2024 |  |
| Nineteen Day Fast Period | Bahá’i | March 1 - 19, 2024 |  |
| Maha Shivaratri | Hinduism | March 8, 2024 |  |
| Ramadan | Islam | March 11 - April 9, 20241(dates may vary) |  |
| Ostara | Pagan/Neopagan | March 20, 2024 |  |
| Nowruz | Bahá’I and Persian | March 21, 20241 | X |
| Holi | Hinduism | March 25, 2024 |  |
| Good Friday | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | March 29, 2024 | X |
| Easter | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | March 31, 2024 | X |
| Eid al-Fitr | Islam | April 10, 20241(dates may vary) | X |
| Vaisakhi | Sikh/Hinduism | April 13, 2024 | X |
| Mahavir Janma Kalyanak | Jainism | April 21, 2024 | X |
| Ridvan | Bahá’i | April 22 - May 2, 20241(1, 9, 12th days) | X |
| Passover | Judaism | April 23 - 30, 20241(first two days) | X |
| Passover | Judaism | April 23 - 30, 20241(last two days) |  |
| Beltane | Pagan/Neopagan | May 1, 2024 |  |
| Easter “Pascha” | OrthodoxChristianity | May 5, 2024 | X |
| Ascension | Christianity | May 9, 2024 | X |
| Buddha Purnima | Buddhism | May 15, 2024 | X |
| Litha | Pagan/Neopagan | June 20, 2024 |  |
| Shavuot | Judaism | June 12 - 13, 20241 |  |
| Orthodox Ascension | Orthodox Christianity | June 13, 2024 |  |
| Eid al-Adha | Islam | June 15 - 19, 20241(first day, dates may vary) | X |
| Muharram/Ashura | Islam (Shia) | July 16, 20241 | X |
| Tish’a B’Av | Judaism | August 13, 20241 |  |
| Assumption of Mary | Catholicism and Christianity | August 15, 2024 | X |

# 2024-2025

| **Religious Observance** | **Faith** | **Date(s)** | **Major Holidays (University Open)** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| Krishna Janmashtami | Hinduism | August 26, 2024 |  |
| Ganesh Chaturthi | Hinduism | September 7, 2024(date may vary) |  |
| Onam | Hinduism | September 5 - 17, 2024 |  |
| Mabon | Pagan/Neopagan | September 21 – 29, 2024 |  |
| Rosh Hashanah | New Year – Judaism (High Holy Days) | October 3 - 4, 20241 | X |
| Navratri | Hinduism | October 3 - 12, 2024 |  |
| Yom Kippur | Judaism – High Holy Days | October 12, 20241 | X |
| Vijayadashami, Dasara, Dussehra Puja | Hinduism | October 12, 2024 | X |
| Indigenous Peoples’ Day[2](#end) |  | October 14, 2024 |  |
| Sukkot | Judaism – High Holy Days | October 17 - 23, 20241(first two days) | X |
| Shemini Atzeret | Judaism – High Holy Days | October 24, 20241 |  |
| Simchat Torah | Judaism – High Holy Days | October 25, 20241 |  |
| Samhain | Pagan/Neopagan | October 31 – November 1, 2024 |  |
| Diwali | Hinduism/Sikh/Jainism | November 1, 2024 | X |
| All Saints Day | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | November 1, 2024 | X |
| All Souls Day | Catholicism and Christianity | November 2, 2024 | X |
| Birth of the Báb and Baha’u’llah | Bahá’i | November 3, 20241 | X |
| Guru Nanak Gurpurab | Sikh | November 15, 2024 | X |
| Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception | Catholicism and Christianity | December 8, 2024 | X |
| Yule | Pagan/Neopagan | December 21, 2024 – January 1, 2025 |  |
| Christmas | Catholicism and Christianity | December 25, 2024 |  |
| Hanukkah | Judaism | December 26, 2024 -January 2, 20251 |  |
| St. Basil’s Day (Eastern) | Eastern OrthodoxChristianity | January 1, 2025 |  |
| St. Basil’s Day | OrthodoxChristianity | January 2, 2025 |  |
| Epiphany | Catholicism and Christianity | January 6, 2025 |  |
| Makar Sankranti/Pongal | Hinduism | January 15, 2025 |  |
| Lunar New Year/Spring Festival | Multicultural Holiday | January 29, 2025 (Year of the Snake) |  |
| Imbolc | Pagan/Nepagan | February 1, 2025 |  |
| Maha Shivaratri | Hinduism | February 26, 2025 |  |
| Ramadan | Islam | February 28 -March 30, 20251(dates may vary) |  |
| Nineteen Day Fast Period | Bahá’i | March 1 - 19, 2025 |  |
| Ash Wednesday | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | March 5, 2025 |  |
| Holi | Hinduism | March 14, 2025 |  |
| Ostara | Pagan/Neopagan | March 20, 2025 |  |
| Nowruz | Bahá’I and Persian | March 22, 20251 | X |
| Eid al-Fitr | Islam | March 31, 20251(dates may vary) | X |
| Mahavir Janma Kalyanak | Jainism | April 10, 2025 | X |
| Passover | Judaism | April 13 - 19, 20251(first two days) | X |
| Passover | Judaism | April 13 - 19, 20251(last two days) |  |
| Vaisakhi | Sikh/Hinduism | April 14, 2025 | X |
| Good Friday | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | April 18, 2025 | X |
| Easter | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | April 20, 2025 | X |
| Easter “Pascha” | OrthodoxChristianity | April 20, 2025 | X |
| Ridvan | Bahá’i | April 22 -May 2, 20251(1, 9, 12th days) | X |
| Beltane | Pagan/Neopagan | May 1, 2025 |  |
| Buddha Purnima | Buddhism | May 5, 2025 | X |
| Ascension | Christianity | May 29, 2025 | X |
| Orthodox Ascension | Orthodox Christianity | May 29, 2025 |  |
| Shavuot | Judaism | June 2 - 3, 20251 |  |
| Eid al-Adha | Islam | June 7 - 9, 20251(first day, dates may vary) | X |
| Litha | Pagan/Neopagan | June 20, 2025 |  |
| Muharram/Ashura | Islam (Shia) | July 5, 20251 | X |
| Lughnasadh | Pagan/Neopagan | August 1, 2025 |  |
| Tish’a B’Av | Judaism | August 3, 20251 |  |
| Assumption of Mary | Catholicism and Christianity | August 15, 2025 | X |
| KrishnaJanmashtami | Hinduism | August 16, 2025 |  |

# 2025-2026

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| **Religious Observance** | **Faith** | **Date(s)** | **Major Holidays (University Open)** |
| Ganesh Chaturthi | Hinduism | August 26, 2025 (date may vary) |  |
| Onam | Hinduism | August 26 - September 7, 2025 |  |
| Mabon | Pagan/Neopagan | September 21 - 29, 2025 |  |
| Navratri | Hinduism | September 22 - October 2, 2025 |  |
| Rosh Hashanah | New Year - Judaism (High Holy Days) | September 23 - 24, 20251 | X |
| Yom Kippur | Judaism - High Holy Days | October 2, 20251 | X |
| Vijayadashami, Dasara, Dussehra Puja | Hinduism | October 1, 2025 (date may vary) | X |
| Sukkot | Judaism - High Holy Days | October 7 - 13, 20251 (first two days) | X |
| Indigenous Peoples’ Day[2](#end) |  | October 13, 2025 |  |
| Shemini Atzeret | Judaism - High Holy Days | October 14, 20251 |  |
| Simchat Torah | Judaism - High Holy Days | October 15, 20251 |  |
| Diwali | Hinduism/Sikh/Jainism | October 20, 2025 | X |
| Birth of the Báb and Baha'u'llah | Bahá'i | October 23, 20251 | X |
| Samhain | Pagan/Neopagan | October 31 - November 1, 2025 |  |
| All Saints Day | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | November 1, 2025 | X |
| All Souls Day | Catholicism and Christianity | November 2, 2025 | X |
| Guru Nanak Gurpurab | Sikh | November 5, 2025 | X |
| Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception | Catholicism and Christianity | December 8, 2025 | X |
| Hanukkah | Judaism | December 15 - 22, 20251 |  |
| Yule | Pagan/Neopagan | December 21, 2025 - January 1, 2026 |  |
| Christmas | Catholicism and Christianity | December 25, 2025 |  |
| St. Basil's Day (Eastern) | Eastern Orthodox Christianity | January 1, 2026 |  |
| St. Basil's Day | Orthodox Christianity | January 2, 2026 |  |
| Epiphany | Catholicism and Christianity | January 6, 2026 |  |
| Makar Sankranti/Pongal  | Hinduism | January 14, 2026 (date may vary) |  |
| Imbolc | Pagan/Neopagan | February 1, 2026 |  |
| Maha Shivaratri | Hinduism | February 15, 2026 |  |
| Lunar New Year/Spring Festival | Multicultural Holiday | February 17, 2024 (Year of the Horse) |  |
| Ramadan | Islam | February 18 - March 18, 20261 (dates may vary) |  |
| Ash Wednesday | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | February 18, 2026 |  |
| Nineteen Day Fast Period | Bahá'i | March 2 - 20, 2026 |  |
| Holi | Hinduism | March 4, 2026 |  |
| Ostara | Pagan/Neopagan | March 20, 2026 |  |
| Eid al-Fitr | Islam | March 20, 20261 (dates may vary) | X |
| Nowruz | Bahá'i and Persian | March 22, 20261 | X |
| Mahavir Janma Kalyanak | Jainism | March 31, 2026 (dates may vary) | X |
| Passover | Judaism | April 2 - 9, 20261 (first two days) | X |
| Passover | Judaism | April 2 - 9, 20261 (last two days) |  |
| Good Friday | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | April 3, 2026 | X |
| Easter | Catholicism and Protestant Christianity | April 5, 2026 | X |
| Easter "Pascha" | Orthodox Christianity | April 12, 2026 | X |
| Vaisakhi | Sikh/Hinduism | April 14, 2026 | X |
| Ridvan  | Bahá'i | April 21 - May 2, 20261 (1, 9, 12th days) | X |
| Beltane | Pagan/Neopagan | May 1, 2026 |  |
| Ascension | Christianity | May 14, 2026 | X |
| Orthodox Ascension | Orthodox Christianity | May 21, 2026 |  |
| Shavuot | Judaism | May 22 - 23, 20261 |  |
| Buddha Purnima  | Buddhism | May 24, 2026 | X |
| Eid al-Adha | Islam | May 26 - 29, 20261 (first day, dates may vary) | X |
| Litha | Pagan/Neopagan | June 21, 2026 |  |
| Muharram/Ashura | Islam (Shia) | June 26, 2026 | X |
| Tish'a B'Av | Judaism | July 23, 20261 |  |
| Lughnasadh | Pagan/Neopagan | August 1, 2026 |  |
| Assumption of Mary | Catholicism and Christianity | August 15, 2026 | X |
| Krishna Janmashtami | Hinduism | September 4, 2026 |  |

[[1]](#footnote-1) Indicates the holiday begins at sundown on the night prior.

2 Ceremonial and spiritual components include prayer, drumming and singing songs. At MSU, elders are invited through the day for prayer and to teach traditional practices.

1. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)