

**2025 Year Plan - University of Otago College of Education - DRAFT 13/2/2025**

Key University Dates & Statutory Holidays	Semester	Dates	Week	Master of Teaching & Learning - 1 year programme (180 pts)			Week	SCHOOLS
				Early Childhood Education	Primary Education	Secondary Education		
*New Year's Day Mon 1 Jan; Day after New Year's Day Tue 2 Jan. Summer School Mon 6 Jan - Fri 14 Feb (SS Exams Sat 15 -Thu 20 Feb)  *Waitangi Day Thu 6 Feb	SUMMER SCHOOL	*30 Dec-3 Jan	1				1	TERM 1 (11 weeks)  All schools start between Mon 27 Jan and Fri 7 Feb & finish Fri 11 Apr  * Thu 6 Feb (Waitangi Day)  * 23 Mar (Otago Anniversary Day, observed Mon 24 Mar)
		6-10 Jan	2	Programme Briefing & ID Check			2	
		13-17 Jan	3	Orientation Week 1 (Mihi Whakatau Mon 13 Jan)			3	
		20-24 Jan	4	◆ Orientation Week 2			4	
		27-31 Jan	5				5	
		*3-7 Feb	6				6	
		10-14 Feb	7	Prof. Exp. A (5 days) EDUC 475	Prof. Exp. A (5 days) EDUC 473	Prof. Exp. A (10 days) EDUC 478	7	
		❖ 17-21 Feb	8	★	★		8	
Sem 1 begins Mon 24 Feb  23 Mar Otago Anniversary Day  UO mid-semester break (18-27 Apr) *Good Fri 18 Apr, Easter Mon 21 Apr, UO observes Otago Anniversary Day Tue 22 Apr & ANZAC DAY Fri 25 Apr.  Graduation Sat 10 May Graduation Sat 17 May, 1.00pm (including Education) Semester 1 ends Fri 30 May	SEMESTER ONE	24-28 Feb	9	★	★		9	School Holidays
		3-7 Mar	10	★	★		10	
		10-14 Mar	11	★	★		11	
		17-21 Mar	12	★	★		12	
		* 24-28 Mar	13	★ *	★ *	*	13	
		31 Mar-4 Apr	14	★	★		14	
		7-11 Apr	15	★	★		15	
		14-18 Apr*	16	MID-SEMESTER BREAK - includes:			16	
		*21-25 Apr*	17	*Good Fri 18 Apr, Easter Mon 21 Apr, UO observes Otago Anniversary Day Tue 22 Apr, & ANZAC Day Fri 25 Apr			17	
		28 Apr - 2 May	18	Prof. Experience B (29 days) EDUC 475	Prof. Experience B (29 days) EDUC 473	Prof. Experience B (34 days) EDUC 478	18	
5-9 May	19				19			
12-16 May	20				20			
19-23 May	21				21			
26-30 May	22				22			
*King's Birthday Mon 2 Jun Mid-year Exams (4-18 Jun)  *Matariki observance Fri 20 June	EXAMS	*2-6 Jun	23	*	*	*	23	TERM 2 (9 weeks)  All schools Mon 28 Apr to Fri 27 Jun  * Mon 2 Jun (King's Birthday)  * Fri 20 Jun (Matariki)
		9-13 Jun	24				24	
		16-20 Jun*	25	*	*	*	25	
		23-27 Jun	26	BREAK			26	
		30 Jun-4 Jul	27	BREAK			27	
		7-11 Jul	28	BREAK			28	
Semester 2 begins Mon 14 Jul  Graduation Sat 23 Aug  UO mid-semester break (30 Aug-7 Sep)	SEMESTER TWO	14-18 Jul	29	★	★		29	TERM 3 (10 weeks)  All schools Mon 14 Jul to Fri 19 Sep
		21-25 Jul	30	★	★	★ Principals' Day (Fri 25 Jul)	30	
		28 Jul - 1 Aug	31	★	★		31	
		4-8 Aug	32				32	
		11-15 Aug	33	Prof. Experience C (35 days) EDUC 475	Prof. Experience C (35 days) EDUC 473	Prof. Experience C (35 days) EDUC 478	33	
		18-22 Aug	34				34	
		25-29 Aug	35				35	
		1-5 Sep	36				36	
		8-12 Sep	37				37	
		15-19 Sep	38				38	
22-26 Sep	39	BREAK			39			
29 Sep - 3 Oct	40	BREAK			40			
Semester 2 ends 17 Oct  End of Year Exams (20 Oct-8 Nov) *Labour Day Mon 27 Oct  Graduation: Sat 6 Dec, Wed 10 Dec; & Sat 13 Dec (including Education)	EXAMS	20-24 Oct	43				43	TERM 4 (11 weeks)  All Schools start Mon 6 Oct & finish no later than Fri 19 Dec  * Mon 27 Oct (Labour Day)
		*27-31 Oct	44	*	*	*	44	
		3-7 Nov	45				45	
		10-14 Nov	46				46	
		17-21 Nov	47				47	
		24-28 Nov	48	EDUC 579 Presentations (Mon 24 - Wed 26 Nov)			48	
		1-5 Dec	49	Curriculum Presentations (Wed 3 - Fri 5 Dec) & Student Teachers' Farewell (Fri 5 Dec)			49	
		8-12 Dec	50	Examiners' Meeting (Thu 11 Dec)			50	
		15-19 Dec	51	Programme Ends			51	
		22-26 Dec*	52	2025 CHRISTMAS BREAK: Christmas Day Thu 25 Dec (Stat. Holiday); Boxing Day Fri 26 Dec (Stat. Holiday); 29, 30, & 31 Dec - College Closed (A/Leave). 2026: New Year's Day Thu 1 Jan (Stat. Holiday); and day after New Year's Day Fri 2 Jan (Stat. Holiday). University reopens Mon 5 Jan.			52	

MIHI WHAKATAU - welcome for all MTchgLn students - College Auditorium, Monday 13 January, meet at 9.45 for a 10.00am start.

GRADUATION CEREMONIES (Dunedin Town Hall) -

- for further information & application dates refer to: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/study/graduation-ceremony-dates-and-application-dates>

- for other key University dates, refer to: <https://www.otago.ac.nz/news/academic-key-dates>

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

<b>Early Childhood</b>	Days
Week 7: 10-14 Feb	5
Weeks 8-15: 1-day/week	8
Weeks 18-23: 28 Apr-6 Jun (excl. King's birthday 2 Jun)	29
Weeks 29-31: 1-day/week	3
Weeks 32-38: 4 Aug-19 Sep	35
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>Primary</b>	Days
Week 7: 10-14 Feb	5
Weeks 8-15: 1-day/week	8
Weeks 18-23: 28 Apr-6 Jun (excl. King's birthday 2 Jun)	29
Weeks 29-31: 1-day/week	3
Weeks 32-38: 4 Aug-19 Sep	35
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80</b>
<b>Secondary</b>	Days
Week 7-8: 10-21 Feb	10
Weeks 18-24: 28 Apr-13 Jun (excl. King's birthday 2 Jun)	34
Week 30: 1-day/week (Principal's Day 25 Jul)	1
Weeks 32-38: 4 Aug-19 Sep	35
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>80</b>

1 day/week: Wednesdays in (★ Centres) or (★ Schools)

★ Principals' Day: Friday 25 July

◆ NOHO MARAE: Araiteuru Marae, Dunedin

Mon 20-Tue 21 January (overnight) for MTchgLn (Group 1); and

Mon 21-Tue 22 January (overnight) for MTchgLn (Group 2)

Group 1 = Surnames A-M

Group 2 = Surnames N-Z