

# IMPORTANT NOTES

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## New to the University

### 1. Co-operative Enterprises Concentration

The Department of Business and Administration has developed a new Concentration in Co-operative Enterprises for the 4-Year Bachelor of Business Administration.

### 2. Criminal Justice MA

The Advanced Education Division of Manitoba Education and Training has granted approval for The University of Winnipeg to offer a Master of Arts in Criminal Justice. (Details will be available in the 2018-19 *Graduate Studies Academic Calendar*.)

### 3. International Development Studies Honours Program

The Honours program in International Development Studies (IDS) has been suspended. Students enrolled in the program before September 6, 2016 will be able to finish, but no new applicants are being accepted.

### 4. Masters in Management

The Advanced Education Division of Manitoba Education and Training has granted approval for The University of Winnipeg to offer a Masters in Management (MiM) degree in Innovation, Technology, and Operations, through the Faculty of Business and Economics. (See details in the 2017-18 *Graduate Studies Academic Calendar*.)

### 5. Minors

The Senate has approved optional Minors in Anthropology, Biological Anthropology, and Criminal Justice.

### 6. Psychology 4-Year BA

The Advanced Education Division of Manitoba Education and Training has granted approval for The University of Winnipeg to offer a 4-Year Bachelor of Arts in Psychology.

### 7. Voluntary Withdrawal Deadlines

The University of Winnipeg Senate approved a change to the timing of Voluntary Withdrawal Deadlines, which will now occur 75% of the way through a course. Note: Some special courses may have VW dates set at different points.

**ACADEMIC TERMS** - The University of Winnipeg offers courses in three terms. The Fall and Winter terms each have 12 weeks of classes and 2 weeks of evaluation. A full course (6 credit hours) is normally taught over two terms and a half course (3 credit hours) over one term. However, a course may also be taught in a condensed or expanded time frame. The Spring term has 8 weeks of class and there is a Summer session during the months of July and August.

**FIPPA and PHIA** - *The Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FIPPA)* and *The Personal Health Information Act (PHIA)* both apply to The University of Winnipeg. The Vice-Presidents of the University have responsibility for the implementation and oversight of all matters related to both pieces of legislation. Should any of the university's policies conflict with FIPPA or PHIA, the provisions of FIPPA or PHIA shall prevail unless otherwise expressly provided for at law.

**LOSS OF SERVICE** - No liability shall be incurred by The University of Winnipeg for loss or damage suffered or incurred by any student or third party as a result of delays in or termination of services, courses or classes by reason of: acts of God, fire, floods, weather, riots, wars, strikes, lock-outs, damage to University property, financial conditions, or other happenings or occurrences beyond the reasonable control of the University.

**NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AND REMEMBRANCE OF VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN** - In recognition of the "National Day of Action and Remembrance of Violence Against Women," The University of Winnipeg Senate passed a motion that on December 6: there be academic amnesty for assignments, papers, participation marks, and attendance marks for that date; that no tests or exams be held after 3:30 p.m. on that date; and that classes operate on a normal schedule on that date.

**RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS**- Students may choose not to attend classes or write examinations on holy days of their religion, but they must notify their instructors at least two weeks in advance. Instructors will then provide opportunity for students to make up work or examinations without penalty. On the recommendation of The Senate, a list of religious holidays is included below.

Religious Event	Religion	2017-18 DATES
Chinese New Year	Buddhist	Jan 28, 2017
Magha Puja	Buddhist	March 12, 2017
Passover	Jewish	April 11-18, 2017
Good Friday	Christian	April 14, 2017
Baisakhi	Sikh	April 14, 2017
Easter	Christian	April 16, 2017
Easter Monday	Christian	April 17, 2017
Visakha Puja	Buddhist	May 10, 2017
Ramadan	Muslim	May 27 –June 24, 2017
Shavuot	Jewish	May 31-June 1, 2017
Lailat Ul Qadr	Muslim	June 22, 2017

Eid al Fitr	Muslim	June 26-28, 2017
Asalha Puja Day	Buddhist	July 9, 2017
Obon	Buddhist	July 13, 2017
Krishna Janmashtami	Hindu	Aug 15, 2017
Eid al Adha	Muslim	Sept 1-4, 2017
Rosh Hashanah	Jewish	Sept 21-22, 2017
Navaratri	Hindu	Sept 21-29, 2017
Yom Kippur	Jewish	Sept 30, 2017
Day of Ashura	Muslim	Oct 1, 2017
Diwali	Hindu	Oct 19, 2017
Guru Nanak Dev Sahib Birthday	Sikh	Nov 4, 2017
Mawlid an Nabi	Muslim	Dec 1, 2017
Hanukkah	Jewish	Dec 13-20, 2017
Christmas	Christian	Dec 25, 2017
Chinese New Year	Buddhist	Feb 16, 2018
Passover	Jewish	March 30-April 7, 2018
Good Friday	Christian	March 30, 2018
Magha Puja	Buddhist	March 31, 2018
Easter	Christian	April 1, 2018
Easter Monday	Christian	April 2, 2018
Baisakhi	Sikh	April 14, 2018
Visakha Puja	Buddhist	April 29, 2018
Ramadan	Muslim	May 16-June 15, 2018
Shavuot	Jewish	May 20-21, 2018
Lailat Ul Qadr	Muslim	June 11, 2018
Eid al Fitr	Muslim	June 15-17, 2018
Obon	Buddhist	July 13, 2018
Asalha Puja Day	Buddhist	July 27, 2018
Krishna Janmashtami	Hindu	Sept 3, 2018

<http://www.interfaithcalendar.org/>

**SMOKING** - The University of Winnipeg is a non-smoking environment.

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