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Spring 2024 Event Schedule

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Note:

- All of the references to time and date in the study process and live sessions' schedule are according to the time of the International Open University – UTC time.
- Note the deadlines very carefully as there will be no extensions. The release dates of activities and deadlines for completion of study tasks have been set in a manner that provides students with sufficient time and flexibility within them. Students are advised not to leave their studies to the last minute but to do them as early as possible.
- The information provided in this file applies to all the programs/streams unless indicated otherwise.
- The individual course's schedule that should be followed can be generated using [this excel file](#).

Course Dropping Information:

1. Once unenrolled from any course, you will not be able to take it again during the current semester.
2. Course dropping does not grant you any waiver/exemption or credits transfer. You are simply dropping a course for now and you will have to take it again in the future semester.
3. The students will be required to pay the dropped courses' charges along with their next semester fees payment.
4. Scholarship students are not allowed to drop a course.

Important Notice for Revised Program Students (BAIS, BSc PSY, BA ALS, B.Ed. English, B.Ed. Specialized (Hybrid), BBA, BSc IEBF, & BSc IT)

- Part time students are not allowed to drop courses below 24 credits while full-time students are not allowed to drop courses below 40 Credits.
- Students who wish to drop all the enrolled courses during a semester are required to contact Student.counselor@iou.edu.gm for guidance regarding freezing/ abeyance procedure.

Semester Freeze/Abeyance:

1. Freeze/Abeyance refers to stopping studies after enrolling in a semester by dropping all courses, or to take a break from studies without enrolling in a particular semester.
2. Maximum allowed period for abeyance is one year for the revised programs (BAIS, BSc PSY, BA ALS, B.Ed. English, B.Ed. Specialized (Hybrid), BBA, BSc IEBF, BSc IT and MA ALS Research, MAIS Research, MSc PIC, MAIS, MEd, MA ALS while it is 2 years for other programs.
3. Students who wish to drop all the enrolled courses during a semester are required to contact Student.counselor@iou.edu.gm for guidance regarding freezing/abeyance procedure.

Course Waiver Information:

1. All the details related to the course waiver are available in the Campus FAQs enrolment section.
2. Applications submitted after this period will not be accepted for the current semester.
3. Course waiver is only possible for ENG 101, ENG 102 and CMP 101.
4. Visit the following link and upload the relevant documents if you possess the required qualifications to apply for a waiver: <https://campus.iou.edu.gm/campus/waiv/>
5. This feature is not available for the Revised Program Students (BAIS, BSc PSY, BA ALS, B.Ed. English, B.Ed. Specialized (Hybrid), BBA, BSc IEBF, BSc IT, MA ALS Research, MAIS Research, MSc PIC, MAIS, MEd, MA ALS.

- **All Bachelor's degree and two-year Associate Degree students**, are required to perform **36 hours** of community service each semester after the completion of two semester's curriculum.
- **IAP Students are required to perform 36 hours of Community Service**, whether on-ground or online, each semester after the completion of 1st Year curriculum.
- **BMAIS/ BM ARB/ MAIS curri. S 2015, MAIS (research & course based), MA ALS (research & course based), MSc PIC and MEd students are required to do 36 hours of community service, whether on-ground or online**, each semester irrespective of a number of courses completed. Students can perform their community service activities either during the semester or break period.
- The above work is required to be performed in a group project or with some organisation. For further details, please refer to <https://campus.iou.edu.gm/campus/local/communityservice/>

Exemption Application:

Visit the following link for submitting the Exemption Application

<https://campus.iou.edu.gm/campus/portals/exemption/index.php>

Spring 2024 Arabic Exemption Exam Dates:

	Start	End
Written exam	August 1, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 7, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Oral exam commences on	August 9, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Note:

- Students will have to fix the day and the time with the teacher for the oral exam. The day and the time should be within the prescribed period of the oral examination.
- Books to prepare for the exams are provided in the Arabic Exemption Exam course.

Arabic Exemption Exam policy applies to:

- BAIS Curr S2010 (possible exemption from 8 Arabic courses). For more details, click [here](#).

- BMAIS students (possible exemption from 3 Arabic courses). For more details, click [here](#).
- AIBE students (possible exemption from 2 Arabic courses). For more details, click [here](#).
- B.Sc. IBE students (possible exemption from 3 Arabic courses). For more details, click [here](#).
- BSc. PSY Curr S2014 students (possible exemption from 3 Arabic courses). For more details, click [here](#).

This feature is not available for the Revised Program Students (BAIS, BSc PSY, BA ALS, B.Ed. English, B.Ed. Specialized (Hybrid), BBA, BSc IEBF, & BSc IT)

Spring 2024 Thesis Submission Deadlines (For Bachelors students only):

Proposal submission deadline	April 14, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Thesis submission deadline	July 8, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Thesis extension application deadline	July 31, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC

Spring 2024 MAIS Thesis Submission Deadlines (For students enrolled in MAIS Degree Curr. S2015 Thesis, MAIS Research, MA ALS Research):

Proposal submission deadline (For students enrolled in Thesis 501/ ARAL 701/ IRPT 701)	July 12, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Thesis submission deadline (For students enrolled in Thesis 502 for MAIS /AATH 800/ IDIS 800)	July 12, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Thesis extension application deadline (For students enrolled in Thesis 502 for MAIS/AATH 800/ IDIS 800)	July 31, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC

Grade Transfer (GT) Deadline:

1. All the details related to the Grade Transfer (GT) are available in the Campus FAQs Mid/Final Exams section.
2. Grade Transfer (GT) application submission period is from **March 8 until April 30, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC**. Applications submitted after this period will not be accepted for the current semester.
3. Grade Transfer Facility is unavailable for the Revised Program Students (BAIS, BSc Psychology, BA ALS, BEd English, B.Ed. Specialized (Hybrid), BBA & BSc IEBF) Program belonging to the first cohort.

Exam Center Registration Commencement and Related Deadlines:

- Midterm Exams & Final Exams for each semester are required to be attempted at the IOU approved Exam Centers for all revised programs (BAIS, BSc Psychology, BA ALS, B.Ed. English, B.Ed. Specialized (Hybrid), BBA, BSc IEBF & BScIT)
- **NOTE: For all other continuing programs, only Final exams are required to be attempted at the IOU approved Exam Centers**
- Midterm Exams & Final Exams when applicable for a course, are required to be attempted at the IOU approved Exam Centers for all revised masters programs (MA ALS Research, MAIS Research, MSc PIC, MAIS, MEd, MA ALS)

NOTE: For all other continuing programs, only Final exams are required to be attempted at the IOU approved Exam Centers

- ***Exam Center Registration*** means registering in any of the already approved centers of IOU. See further details [here](#)
- ***New Exam Center Submission*** means submitting a new exam center for approval and registration. If students do not find a suitable exam center in their city of residence, they can suggest a new center of their choice.
 - The requirements for a new exam center can be verified [here](#).
 - You are required to suggest the new center [here](#).

SEMESTER OUTLINE (Certificate, Post Graduate Certificates, BMAIS & BMARB, ARB 100, Taj 100, Associate Degree and Bachelor Level, MSc PIC, MAIS Research, MA ALS Research, MAIS, MA ALS, and MEd)		
Event	Start	End
Semester	March 1, 2024	
Enrolment	March 1, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	March 31, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Community Service Work		March 22, 2024
Free Course Drop period	March 1, 2024	April 12, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Study Plan Change Request (only for revised undergraduate programs)		July 19, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
<u>Course Drop with 10 USD fine charges/course drop</u>	April 13, 2024	July 31, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Course Waiver Applications (Eng 101, Eng 102 and Comp 101)	March 1, 2024	March 26, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Assignments	April 3, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	Normal Submissions: June 1, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC Late submission (15% deductions): June 10, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late Assignment deduction		May 30, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Research Paper questions (All courses except BRMT 701)	March 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	Normal Submission: May 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

		Late submission with 15% deductions: May 27, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late research paper submission deduction (All courses except BRMT 701)		May 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Midterm research papers (BRMT 701) First research paper (PIPP 702, PPTA 702, PPIN 802, ERME 701 and EEDS 701)	March 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	Normal submission: May 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC Late submission with 15% deductions: May 27, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late Midterm Research Paper (BRMT 701) Deduction Exemption Application: Late First research paper (PIPP 702, PPTA 702, PPIN 802, ERME 701 and EEDS 701) Deduction		May 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Study break	May 3, 2024	May 8, 2024
Midterm exams	May 9, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	May 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the pre-midterm module tests expires for those attempting the midterm exams in the original period.		May 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Supplementary midterm exams period with 15% marks deduction	June 14, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	June 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Supplementary midterm exam deduction		June 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those attempting the midterm exams in the supplementary exam period.		June 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exam Center Registration – Midterms	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	April 22, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Second research paper (PIPP 702, PPTA 702, PPIN 802, ERME 701 and EEDS 701)		Normal submission: June 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC Late submission with 15% deductions: June 22, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late Second research paper (PIPP 702, PPTA 702, PPIN 802, ERME 701 and EEDS 701) Deduction		June 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exam Center Registration -Finals	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	July 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Abeyance/Semester Freeze Request for enrolled students		June 26, 2024
New Exam Center Submission - Midterm Exams	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	April 22, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
New Exam Center Submission - Final Exams	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	July 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Final research papers (BRMT 701, ARAL 701 and IRPT 701 only)		Normal submission: July 12, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Third research paper (PIPP 702, PPTA 702, PPIN 802, ERME 701 and EEDS 701)		Late submission with 15% deductions: Jul 19, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late Final Research Paper (BRMT 701, ARAL 701 and IRPT 701 only) Deduction		July 10, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Exemption Application: Late Third research paper (PIPP 702, PPTA 702, PPIN 802, ERME 701 and EEDS 701) Deduction		
Study break	July 26, 2024	July 31, 2024
Final exams	August 1, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 7, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the post-midterm module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the original period.		August 7, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Supplementary final exams period with 15% marks deduction	August 9, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Supplementary final exam deduction		August 11, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the supplementary period.		August 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Semester Outline MAIS Degree Curr. S2015		
Event	Start	End
Semester	March 1, 2024	
Enrolment	March 1, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	March 31, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Community Service Work		March 22, 2024
Free Course Drop period	March 1, 2024	April 12, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
<u>Course Drop with 10 USD fine charges/course drop</u>	April 13, 2024	July 31, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Research Paper questions (All courses except FIQH 503, THS501 & THS502)	March 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	Normal Submission: May 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC Late submission with 15% deductions: May 27, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late research paper submission deduction (All courses except FIQH 503, THS501 & THS502)		May 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Midterm research papers (for FIQH 503, THS501 & THS502)	March 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	Normal submission: May 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC Late submission with 15% deductions: May 27, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late Midterm Research Paper (FQH 503, THS501 & THS502) Deduction		May 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Final research papers (for FIQH 503, THS501 & THS502)		<p>Normal submission: July 12, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC</p> <p>Late submission with 15% deductions: July 19, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC</p>
Exemption Application: Late Final Research Paper (FQH 503, THS501 & THS502) Deduction		July 10, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete module tests till mid-semester.		June 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exam Center Registration - Final	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	July 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Abeyance/Semester Freeze Request for enrolled students		June 26, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
New Exam Center Submission	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	July 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Study break	July 26, 2024	July 31, 2024
Final exams	August 1, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 7, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete post mid-semester module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the original period.		August 7, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Supplementary final exams period with 15% deduction starts	August 9, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Supplementary final exams period with 15% deduction		August 11, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Deadline to complete post mid-semester module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the Supplementary period.		August 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
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Semester Outline IAP First Session		
Event	Start	End
Session	March 1, 2024	
Enrolment	March 1, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	March 14, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Community Service Work		March 21, 2024
Free Course Drop period	March 1, 2024	March 28, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
<u>Course Drop with 10 USD fine charges/course drop</u>	March 29, 2024	May 8, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Assignment questions	March 20, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	Normal Submissions: April 16, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC Late submissions with 15% deductions of marks: May 2, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late Assignment deduction		April 14, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Study break	April 6, 2024	April 14, 2024
Midterm exams	April 15, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	April 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those attempting the midterm exams in the original period.		April 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Supplementary midterm exams period with 15% deduction	April 29, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	April 30, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the midterm exams in the Supplementary exam period.		April 30, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late midterm submission deduction		April 28, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Abeyance/Semester Freeze Request for enrolled students		May 1, 2024
Exam Center Registration	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	May 3, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
New Exam Center Submission	March 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	May 3, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Study break	May 7, 2024	May 8, 2024

Final exams	May 9, 2024 ,12:05 AM UTC	May 12, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the original period.		May 12, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Supplementary final exams period with 15% deduction starts	May 15, 2024 ,12:05 AM UTC	May 17, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Supplementary final exam deduction		May 14, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the supplementary period.		May 17, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Semester Outline IAP Second Session		
Event	Start	End
Session	May 24, 2024	
Enrolment	May 24, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	June 7, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Free Course Drop period	May 24, 2024	June 21, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
<u>Course Drop with 10 USD fine charges/course drop</u>	June 22, 2024	July 31, 2024, 11:55 PM UTC
Assignment	June 1, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	Normal submission: July 5, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC Late submission with 15% deductions: July 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Late assignment deduction		July 3, 2024, 6:00 PM, UTC
Study break	June 22, 2024	June 24, 2024
Midterm exams	June 25, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	June 28, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the midterm exams in the original period.		June 28, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exam Center Registration	June 1, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	July 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Supplementary midterm exams period with 15% deduction	July 14, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	July 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Supplementary midterm submission deduction		July 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the midterm exams in the supplementary exam period.		July 15, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Abeyance/Semester Freeze Request for enrolled students		July 16, 2024
New Exam Center Submission	June 1, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC	July 18, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Study break	July 30, 2024	July 31, 2024
Final exams	August 1, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 5, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the original period.		August 5, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Supplementary final exams period with 15% deduction	August 9, 2024, 12:05 AM UTC	August 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Exemption Application: Supplementary final exam deduction		August 10, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC
Deadline to complete the module tests expires for those giving the final exams in the supplementary period.		August 13, 2024, 6:00 PM UTC

Live Sessions and Student Engagement Activities:

Following Live Sessions and Student Engagement activities shall be conducted by the Student Affairs Office to provide better study support to the students.

Live Sessions	Date
First Orientation Session – Spring 2024 Batch Students	March 2, 2024
Second Orientation Session – Spring 2024 Batch Students	March 9, 2024
Third Orientation Session – Spring 2024 Batch Students	March 16, 2024
Departmental Orientation Sessions by the Head of Departments – Spring 2024 Batch Students	March 21, 2024 - March 23, 2024
Fourth Orientation Session – Spring 2024 Batch Students	March 30, 2024
Planning an Effective Study Routine	April 5, 2024
Exam Center Registration - Open Q & A Session	April 15, 2024
Assignment writing guidelines	April 19, 2024
Preparing for Midterm Exams	April 26, 2024
Dealing with Low Motivation and Procrastination	May 24, 2024
Work-Life Balance	June 7, 2024
Successfully Managing Community Service Projects	June 15, 2024
Preparing for Final Exams	July 12, 2024

Student Engagement Activities	Date
Competition	To be announced