

## Academic Calendar and Vacation Dates for Student Visa Holders who started in September 2024

To whom it may concern

This information should be used in conjunction with a personalised **Confirmation of Studies** letter to enable employers or other interested parties to determine a student's vacation periods at Edinburgh Napier University whilst studying in the UK.

The information relating to work restrictions are indicative and does not constitute legal advice. Employers should follow guidance from their Human Resources department or immigration advisors if they are considering providing paid or unpaid work to a Student Visa holder.

**Employers should please note that we cannot provide personalised letters for students.**

The information below relates to students undertaking Postgraduate Study. The Confirmation of Studies letter (which the student should provide in combination with this information). The Confirmation of Studies Letter will confirm:

- Student's personal information such as full name, Edinburgh Napier number and date of birth.
- The date of the student's first academic term of study upon starting their course.
- The end date - this refers to the conclusion of the student's final academic term **prior** to the release of their official results. (Students are not considered to have completed their studies until the official publication of results confirms this.)
- The student's year and level of study

**Important Note:** If a student is required to undertake further study—such as resubmitting their dissertation—after the publication of their final results, restrictions on working will apply during periods when the student is expected to engage with their academic work.

If a student's programme is at undergraduate degree level or above, students can typically undertake paid or unpaid work up to 20 hours per week during term time and full-time during vacation periods.

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For students who are reaching the end of their academic study (noted as the “Expected End Date” on the Confirmation of Studies letter, they can work full-time in paid or unpaid work through to the expiry date of their Student Visa.

Our term dates for our programmes can be found on our website online - [www.napier.ac.uk/about-us/term-dates](http://www.napier.ac.uk/about-us/term-dates)

<b>Vacation Periods for Postgraduate Students who started in September 2024</b>	
Winter break	22 December 2024 to 19 January 2025
Spring break	13 April 2025 to 27 April 2025
Summer break	18 May 2025 to 1 June 2025
Vacation Period	29 August 2025 to 3 October 2025

<b>Vacation Periods for MSc Global Hospitality Management (with work placement) who started in September 2024</b>	
Winter break	22 December 2024 to 19 January 2025
Spring break	13 April 2025 to 27 April 2025
Summer break	30 August 2025 to 7 September 2025
Winter break	7 September 2025 to 18 January 2026
Spring break	28 March 2026 to 12 April 2026
Summer break	17 May 2026 to 26 June 2026

<b>Vacation Periods for:</b>	
<b>MFA Heritage and Exhibition Design, Product Design Making, Photography, Lighting Design, Motion Graphics, Design for Interactive Art &amp; Experiences</b>	
<b>MSc Computing with Professional Placement</b>	
<b>MBA (Strategic Project Management/Engineering Management/Leadership Practice)</b>	
Winter break	22 December 2024 to 19 January 2025
Spring break	13 April 2025 to 27 April 2025
Vacation period	17 May 2025 to 02 June 2025
Vacation period	30 August 2025 to 7 September 2025
Winter break	20 December 2025 to 18 January 2026
Spring break	28 March 2026 to 12 April 2026
Vacation period	17 May 2026 to 26 June 2026

<b>Vacation Periods for MFA Acting for Stage and Screen</b>	
Winter break	22 December 2024 to 19 January 2025
Spring break	13 April 2025 to 27 April 2025
Vacation period	17 May 2025 to 02 June 2025
Vacation period	30 August 2025 to 7 September 2025
Winter break	20 December 2025 to 18 January 2026
Spring break	28 March 2026 to 12 April 2026
Vacation period	17 May 2026 to 31 May 2026
Vacation period	30 August 2026 to 2 October 2026

<b>Vacation Periods for MFA Playwriting and MFA Directing</b>	
Winter break	22 December 2024 to 19 January 2025
Spring break	13 April 2025 to 27 April 2025
Summer break	17 May 2025 to 7 September 2025
Winter break	20 December 2025 to 18 January 2026
Spring break	28 March 2026 to 12 April 2026
Vacation period	17 May 2026 to 31 May 2026
Vacation period	30 August 2026 to 2 October 2026

Yours faithfully



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