



OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

**Religious Holidays  
2024-2025  
Academic Year**

Gallaudet University values diverse religious perspectives and beliefs. Our students celebrate and value a variety of religious traditions. We are committed to supporting our students observing their religious holidays, while also maintaining their commitment to their academic efforts.

The University recognizes the importance of religious holidays and encourages all faculty to make reasonable accommodations necessary for students' observances. Students should provide faculty with reasonable prior notice of religious holidays on which they will be absent. For more information about the University's guidance to students regarding potential conflicts between academic and religious calendars, please visit the [Registrar's Office website](#).

It is important to note that the faculty has the authority to set their attendance policies and have the discretion to designate a student's absence as "excused" or "unexcused" based on academic judgments.

A representative list of holy days for the 2024-2025 academic year from several major traditions follows. These are only representative holidays, and this list is not exhaustive. For a more complete listing, please visit the [Interfaith Calendar](#).

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Observance</b>
Wednesday, *October 2 – Friday, October 4, 2024	Rosh Hashanah
Friday, *October 11 – Saturday, October 12, 2024	Yom Kippur
Wednesday, *October 16 – Wed., October 23, 2024	Sukkot
Wednesday, *Oct 23 – Friday, Oct 25, 2024	Shemini Atzeret
Thursday, *Oct 24 – Friday, Oct 25, 2024	Simchat Torah
Thursday, Oct 3 – Saturday, Oct 12, 2024	Navratri
Friday, Oct 31, 2024 – Monday, Nov 1, 2024	Diwali
Wednesday *December 25 – Thursday, Jan. 2, 2025	Hanukkah
Wednesday, March 4, 2025	Ash Wednesday
Saturday, *April 12 – Sunday April 20, 2025	Pesach/Passover
Friday, April 18, 2025	Good Friday
Friday, February 28 – Sunday, March 30, 2025	Ramadan
Saturday, March 29 – Sunday, March 30, 2025	Eid al-Fitr
Thursday, May 29, 2025	Ascension Day

\* *After sundown*