



ZAMBIAN OPEN UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR

2025 SESSIONAL DATES FOR ODL

2025 ACADEMIC YEAR SEMESTER I (14 WEEKS) (ODL)		
S/N	CALENDAR ITEMS	2025 DATES
1	Public Holiday (New Year's Day)	Wed 1 st Jan
2	Arrival of First Year Students of the January 2025 Intake	Sun 5 th Jan
3	Residential School for First Year Students of the January 2025 Intake (Opening Ceremony and Registration)	Mon 6 th to Fri 17 th Jan
4	Board of Examiners Meetings	Mon 6 th to Fri 10 th Jan
5	Deferred Examinations	Wed 8 th to Fri 10 th Jan
6	Senate Examination Committee Meetings	15 th to 17 th Jan
7	Publication of Results	Mon 20 th Jan
8	Residential School for Graduate Studies & Research	20 th to Fri 31 st Jan
9	Regular Registration for Returning Students	Mon 3 rd to 14 th Feb
10	Submission of First Assignment	Fri 7 th Mar
11	Public Holiday (International Women's Day)	Sat 8th Mar
12	Public Holiday (Youth Day)	Wed 12th Mar
13	Residential School for Returning Students of the January Intake	Sun 6 th to Fri 18 th Apr
14	Examination Preparation Period	Mon 7 th to Fri 25 th Apr
15	Good Friday	Fri 18 th Apr
16	Public Holiday (Holy Saturday)	19 th Apr
17	Public Holiday (Easter Monday)	21 st Apr
18	Submission of Second Assignment	Fri, 25 th Apr
19	Deadline for payment of outstanding fees	Fri, 25 th Apr
20	Public Holiday (Kenneth Kaunda Day)	Mon 28th Apr
21	Examination Registration	Tue 29 th Apr to Fri 9 th May
22	Public Holiday (Labour Day)	Thur 1st May
23	Examination Period	Mon 12 th to Fri 23 rd May
24	Public Holiday (Africa Freedom Day)	Sun 25th May
25	Graduation Ceremony	Fri 30th May
26	Marking Period	Sat 31 st May to Sun 15 th Jun

27	Vacation Period for Students (SIX WEEKS)	Sat 31 st May to Sun 13 th Jul
28	Deferred Examinations	18 th to 20 th Jun
29	Public Holiday (Heroes' Day)	Mon 7th Jul
30	Public Holiday (Unity Day)	Tue 8th Jul
31	Board of Examiners Meetings	Tue 15 th to Fri 18 th Jul
32	Senate Examination Committee Meetings	Tue 22 nd to Thur 24 th Jul
33	Publication of Results	Fri 25 th Jul
2025 ACADEMIC YEAR SEMESTER II (14 WEEKS) (ODL)		
S/N	CALENDAR ITEMS	2025 DATES
1	University Open for ALL ODL Students	Sun 26 th July
2	Regular Registration for ALL ODL Students	Mon 27 th July
3	Public Holiday (Farmers' Day)	Mon 4th Aug
4	Arrival of First Year Students of the January 2025 Intake, First Year Students of the 2025 Mid-Year Intake and Returning Students of the Mid-Year Intake	Tue 5 th Aug
5	Residential School for First Year Students of the January 2025 Intake(Second Semester) First Year Students of the 2025 Mid-Year Intake and Returning Students of the Mid-Year Intake	Mon, 4 th to 15 th Aug
6	Submission of First Assignment	Fri 5 th Sep
7	Submission of Second Assignment	Fri 10 th Oct
8	Examination Preparation Period	Mon 13 th to Thur 30 th Oct
9	Deadline for payment of outstanding fees	Thur 23 rd Oct
10	Examination Registration	Thur 23 rd Oct to Fri 30 th Oct
11	Public Holiday (Independence Day)	Fri 24th Oct
12	Graduation Ceremony	Fri 31st Oct
13	Study Break	Mon 3 rd Nov to Fri 7 th Nov
14	Examination Period	Mon 10 th to Fri 21 st Nov
15	Marking Period and Entering Results	Sat 22 nd to Sat 6 th Dec
16	Vacation Period for Students (SIX WEEKS)	Sat 22 nd Nov to Fri 26 th Dec
17	Board of Examiners Meetings	Tue 9 th to Fri 12 th Dec
18	Senate Examination Committee Meetings	Tue 16 th to Thur 18 th Dec
19	Publication of Results	Fri 19 th Dec
20	Public Holiday (Christmas Day)	Thur 25th Dec

END OF FIRST AND SECOND SEMESTER SESSIONAL DATES FOR THE 2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

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