



**HAROKOPIO UNIVERSITY of ATHENS**  
**SCHOOL OF ENVIRONMENT, GEOGRAPHY AND APPLIED ECONOMICS**  
**DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY**  
**POSTGRADUATE STUDIES PROGRAMME**  
**“APPLIED GEOGRAPHY AND SPATIAL PLANNING”**  
**ACADEMIC CALENDAR 2024-2025**

The Academic Year begins every September the 1st and ends on August the 31st of the next civil year.

The educational programme is organized around two semesters (Winter - Spring) with a teaching period of 13 weeks followed by an examination period of about max. 4 weeks. Winter Semester' lessons start in October and Spring Semester' lessons mid-February. The start dates of each semester are stated by decision before the beginning of the academic year. The Christmas & New Year Break begins at last on December the 24th and ends on January the 6<sup>th</sup> (Epiphany Holiday). The Easter Break consists of two weeks related each year with the Easter celebration according to the Greek Orthodox calendar. It begins on the Monday of the week preceding Easter Sunday (Holy week) and ends on the Friday of the week following Easter Sunday. May Day celebration as no working day might be postponed if it coincides with Easter Sunday, Easter Monday or some day of the Holy week.

<b>Welcoming of New Postgraduate Students</b>	<i>Monday 14/10/2024</i>
<b>Start of lessons of the Winter Semester</b>	<b><i>Tuesday 15/10/2024</i></b>
October the 28 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary (Ochi Day)	<i>Monday 28/10/2024</i>
November the 17th Anniversary (Athens Polytechnics uprising, 1973)	<i>Sunday 17/11/2024</i>
End of lessons before Christmas break	<i>Monday 23/12/2024</i>
Christmas & New Year break 2024-2025	<i>From Tuesday 24/12/2024 until Monday 06/01/2025</i>
Start of lessons in January 2025	<i>Tuesday 07/01/2025</i>
End of the Winter Semester's lessons (13 weeks)	<i>Friday 24/01/2025</i>
Start of Winter Examination period 2024	<i>Monday 27/01/2025</i>
End of Winter Examination period 2024	<i>Friday 07/02/2025</i>
Submission of Master candidate's dissertations	<i>Monday 10/02/2025</i>
Presentation of Master candidate's dissertations	<i>From Monday 17/02/2025 until Friday 28/02/2025</i>
Master Graduate's Swearing-in Ceremony	<i>April – May 2025</i>
<b>Start of lessons of the Spring Semester</b>	<b><i>Monday 17/02/2025</i></b>
Clean Monday (Start of Lent)	<i>Monday 03/03/2025</i>
National Day 25 <sup>th</sup> March	<i>Tuesday 25/03/2025</i>
End of lessons before Easter break	<i>Friday 11/04/2025</i>
Easter Break	<i>From Monday 14/04/2025 until Friday 25/04/2025</i>
May the 1 <sup>st</sup> (International workers day)	<i>Thursday 01/05/2025</i>
Start of lessons after Easter Break	<i>Monday 28/04/2025</i>
End of Spring Semester's lessons (13 weeks)	<i>Friday 30/05/2025</i>
Pentecost /Holy Spirit Monday	<i>Monday 09/06/2025</i>
Start of Spring Examination period 2024	<i>Monday 02/06/2025</i>
End of Spring Examination period 2024	<i>Friday 16/06/2025</i>
Submission of Master candidate's dissertations 2024	<i>Tuesday 17/06/2025</i>
Presentation of Master candidate's dissertations	<i>From 23/07/2025 until 04/07/2025</i>
Master Graduate's Swearing-in ceremony	<i>July 2025</i>

**Public holidays & days without lessons during the Winter & Spring Semesters are shaded in light aqua blue**