

CAMPUS CHRISTIAN CENTER INTERFAITH COMMUNITY

Multi-Religious Calendar



The Campus Christian Center (CCC) cultivates radical hospitality and nurtures spiritual wellness by developing and nurturing an ecumenical Christian atmosphere; and facilitating interfaith education, conversation and engagement (an excerpt, see CCC website for full mission statement).

WED, FEBRUARY 2: IMBOLC (Wicca)

Marks the beginning of spring.

SAT, FEBRUARY 5: VASANT PANCHAMI (Hinduism)

Holy day dedicated to Goddess Saraswati, patron goddess of knowledge, music, arts, science and technology.

TUE, FEBRUARY 15: BUDDHA'S PASSING (Buddhism)

Mahayana festival commemorates the death of the Buddha.

WED, FEBRUARY 16: SANGHA DAY (Buddhism)

Celebration honoring the Buddhist community.

FRI-MON, FEBRUARY 25-28*: AYYAM-I-HA (Bahá'í)

Days of preparation for fasting, marked by hospitality and charity, taking care of the less-privileged and sick.

MON, FEBRUARY 28: MAHA SHIVARATRI (Hinduism)

Celebration of the wedding night of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati.

TUE, MARCH 1*: LAILAT AL MIRAJ (Islam)

Commemorates Prophet Muhammad's (PBUH) nighttime journey from Mecca to Jerusalem where he ascended to heaven, was purified, and given the instruction for Muslims to pray five times daily.

WED, MARCH 2: ASH WEDNESDAY

(Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Day of fasting marking the first day of Lent which ends at Easter.

WED, MARCH 2-SUN, MARCH 20*: NINETEEN DAY FAST

Sunrise to sunset fast accompanied by prayer and spiritual disciplines.

THUR, MARCH 17*: PURIM (Judaism)

Commemorates the story of Esther.

THUR-FRI, MARCH 17-18: HOLI (Hinduism)

Celebration with colored powders, marking the advent of spring, Holi serves as a reminder that good will always overcome evil; as light will always overcome darkness.

SUN, MARCH 20*: NOWRUZ (Bahá'í, Zoroastrianism)

Marks the first day of spring.

MON, MARCH 21*: OSTARA (Wicca)

Celebrates first day of spring, the vernal equinox.

SUN, APRIL 3-SUN, MAY 1*: RAMADAN (Islam)

Month of fasting to commemorate first revelation of the Qur'an to Muhammad.

SUN, APRIL 10: PALM SUNDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) Feast commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

SUN, APRIL 10: RAMA NAVAMI (Hinduism)

A celebration of birth of Rama (incarnation of the God Vishnu).

THUR, APRIL 14: **HOLY THURSDAY** (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) Commemorates Jesus' last meal with the Disciples.

THUR, APRIL 14: VAISAKHI (Sikhism)

Commemorates the establishment of the Khalsa (religious community of Sikhs) by Guru Gobind Singh.

THUR, APRIL 14: MAHAVIR JAYANTHI (Jainism)

Celebrates birth of Mahavira, the founder of Jainism.

FRI, APRIL 15: GOOD FRIDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

Commemorates Jesus' crucifixion.

SAT, APRIL 16: HANUMAN JAYANTI (Hinduism)

Celebration of birthday of Hanuman, foremost devotee of Sri Rama and Sita.

SAT, APRIL 16-SAT, 23*: PASSOVER (Judaism)

Commemorates liberation of the Israelites by God from slavery in Egypt.

SUN, APRIL 17: EASTER/RESURRECTION SUNDAY

(Catholic/Protestant Christianity)

The celebration of Jesus' resurrection.

WED, APRIL 20-SUN, MAY 1*: RIDVAN (Bahá'í)

Twelve-day festival celebrating the founder Bahá'u'lláh's declaration that he is a prophet of God.

SUN, APRIL 24: PASCHA (Orthodox Christianity)

Celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.

THUR, APRIL 28*: YOM HA'SHOAH (Judaism)

Holocaust Memorial Day.

SUN, MAY 1: BELTANE (Wicca)

Celebrates life and fertility.

MON, MAY 2*: EID AL-FITR (Islam)

The Festival of Breaking the Fast, marking the end of Ramadan.

SUN, MAY 8: BUDDHA'S BIRTHDAY (Buddhism)

Mahayana holiday commemorating the birth of the Buddha.

THUR, MAY 19: LAG B'OMER (Judaism)

Celebrates anniversary of the passing of Rabbi Shimon bar Yochai, author of the Zohar (text of Jewish mysticism).

TUE, MAY 24: DECLARATION OF THE BAB (Bahá'í)

Commemorates declaration of the Báb, the forerunner of Bahá'u'lláh the founder of the Bahá'í Faith.

THUR, MAY 26: **ASCENSION DAY** (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) Celebrates the ascension of Jesus into heaven.

SUN, MAY 29: ASCENSION OF BAHA'U'LLAH (Bahá'í)

The anniversary of the death of the founder, Bahá'u'lláh.

* Denotes holidays that begin at sundown the prior day.

Some holidays require fasting and work restrictions. Students, faculty, and staff are invited to communicate with their instructor/supervisor if religious accommodations are required for their personal faith tradition.