



CAMPUS CHRISTIAN CENTER
INTERFAITH COMMUNITY

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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).

SUN, JANUARY 1: OSHOGATSU (Shintoism) Celebration of New Year, commemorated by going to the shrine, thanking the kami (spirits), asking for good fortune, and letting resolutions known in presence of kami.

MON, JAN 2: VAIKUNTA EKADASHI (Hinduism) Dedicated to Lord Vishnu, it is believed that on this day, the gate of heaven opens.

THURS, JAN 5: BIRTH OF GURU GOBIND SINGH SAHIB JI (Sikhism) Birthday of the tenth and last Guru Gobind Singh Sahib Ji.

FRI, JAN 6: EPIPHANY (Christianity) Feast day that celebrates the revelation of God the Son as a human being in Jesus Christ.

SAT, JAN 7: CHRISTMAS (Orthodox Christianity/Rastafarian) Celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ in Orthodox Churches.

SUN, JAN 15: MAKARA SANKRANTHI (Hinduism) Celebration of the Sun god.

SUN, JAN 22: LUNAR NEW YEAR/CH NJIÉ (Chinese New Year) SEOLNAL (Korean New Year); TẾT NGUYỄN ĐÁN (Vietnamese New Year)

THURS, JAN 26: VASANT PANCHAMI (Hinduism) Holy day dedicated to Goddess Saraswati, patron goddess of knowledge, music, arts, science and technology.

SAT – SUN, JAN 28-18: MYAAMIA WINTER GATHERING A Myaamia winter-time gathering designed to bring Myaamia people together from across the country, with a special focus on aalshoohkaana 'winter stories' and kiiwahtekaataawi koteenki 'stomp dance'.

WED, FEBRUARY 1: IMBOLC (Wicca) The beginning of spring.

SAT, FEB 4: MYAAMIA LUNAR NEW YEAR The Myaamia Lunar New Year, based on the lunar cycle, occurs about the same time every year, but it is not a set date like January 1 is on the Gregorian calendar.

SUN – MON, FEB 5-6*: TU B'SHEVAT (Judaism) New Year of the Trees.

SUN, FEB 12: DARWIN DAY (Atheist/Secular) Darwin Day is a celebration to commemorate the birthday of Charles Darwin on 12 February 1809. The day is used to highlight Darwin's contributions to science and to promote science in general. Darwin Day is celebrated around the world by Atheists.

FRI, FEB 15: BUDDHA'S PASSING (Buddhism) Mahayana festival commemorates the death of the Buddha.

SAT, FEB 18: MAHA SHIVARATRI (Hinduism) Celebration of the wedding night of Lord Shiva and Goddess Parvati.

SAT, FEB 18*: 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.

TUES, FEB 21: RAMAKRISHNA (Hinduism) Honoring the birth of Ramakrishna, a Hindu mystic and saint.

TUES – WED, FEB 22-22: LOSAR Tibetan New Year

WED, FEB 22: ASH WEDNESDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) Day of fasting marking the first day of Lent which ends at Easter.

SAT - WED, FEB 25 - MAR 1*: AYYÁM-I-HÁ (Bahá'í) Days of preparation for fasting, marked by hospitality and charity, taking care of the less-privileged and sick.

MON, FEB 27: CLEAN MONDAY (Eastern Orthodox Christianity) Signifying the first day of Lent.

THURS - MON, MARCH 2-20*: NINETEEN DAY FAST (Bahá'í) Sunrise to sunset fast accompanied by prayer and spiritual disciplines.

MON, MAR 6: SANGHA DAY (Buddhism) Celebration honoring the Buddhist community.

MON - TUES, MAR 6-7*: PURIM (Judaism) Commemorates the story of Esther.

WED, MAR 8: HOLI (Hinduism) Celebration with colored powders, marking the advent of spring, Holi serves as a reminder that light will always overcome darkness.

WED – FRI, MAR 8-10: HOLLA MOHALLA (Sikhism) Festival that coincides with Holi, celebrates siblinghood, fraternity, and valor, Hola Mohalla was started by the Tenth Sikh Guru, Guru Gobind Singh, in the 17th century and is celebrated with Sikh martial arts (Gatka).

MON, MAR 20*: OSTARA (Wicca) Celebrates first day of spring, the vernal equinox.

TUES - WED, MAR 21-22*: NOROUZ/NOROOZ/NOWRUZ (Bahá'í, Zoroastrianism) First day of spring.

WED - FRI, MAR 22 – APR 21*: RAMADAN (Islam) Month of fasting to commemorate first revelation of the Qur'an to Muhammad.

SUN, MAR 26: KHORDAD SAL (Zoroastrianism) Celebrates the birth of Zoroaster.

THURS, MAR 30: MAGHA PUJA DAY (Buddhism) Honors the Three Jewels of Buddhism.

THURS, MAR 30: RAMA NAVAMI (Hinduism) A celebration of birth of Rama (incarnation of the God Vishnu).

SUN, APRIL 2: PALM SUNDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) Feast commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem.

TUES, APR 4: MAHAVIR JAYANTI (Jainism) Celebrates birth of Mahavira, the founder of Jainism

TUES, APR 4: MEMORIAL OF JESUS' DEATH (Jehovah's Witness) Commemorates the death of Jesus Christ.

WED - THURS, APR 5-13*: PASSOVER (Judaism) Commemorates liberation of the Israelites by God from slavery in Egypt.

THUR, APR 6: HOLY THURSDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) Commemorates Jesus' last meal with the Disciples.

THURS, APR 6: HANUMAN JAYANT (Hinduism) Celebration of birthday of Hanuman, foremost devotee of Sri Rama and Sita.

FRI, APR 7: GOOD FRIDAY (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) Commemorates Jesus' crucifixion.

SUN, APR 9: EASTER (Catholic/Protestant Christianity) The celebration of Jesus' resurrection.

FRI, APR 14: VAISAKHI (Sikhism) Commemorates the establishment of the Khalsa (religious community of Sikhs) by Guru Gobind Singh.

FRI, APR 14: BAISAKHI/BIRTHDAY OF THE KHALSA (Sikhism) Celebrating the New Year and the founding of Sikhism in 1699.

SUN, APR 16: PASCHA (Orthodox Christianity) Celebration of the resurrection of Jesus.

MON - TUES, APR 17-18: YOM HA'SHOAH (Judaism) Holocaust Memorial Day.

TUES, APR 18: LAYLAT AL QADR (Islam) Commemorating the Quran first being revealed to Muhammed.

FRI - SAT, APR 21-22*: EID AL-FITR (Islam) The Festival of Breaking the Fast, marking the end of Ramadan.

FRI - TUES, APR 21 - MAY 2*: RIDVÁN (Bahá'í) Twelve-day festival celebrating the founder Bahá'u'lláh's declaration that he is a prophet of God.

SUN, APR 30: NINTH DAY OF RIDVAN (Bahá'í) Commemorates the beginning of the Bahá'í in 1863.

* 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.