



**Select Major Religious Observances in Academic Year 2025-26  
(July 2025 to June 2026)**

Members of the Emory University community observe many religious holidays. Below are the dates of select major Hindu, Jewish, Christian, and Muslim holidays that will occur over the academic year. OSRL provides this list to help prevent scheduling conflicts that could impact large populations in the campus community. There are many more religious traditions and holidays observed than are listed here. According to Emory’s Religious Accommodation Policy 10.17, students and employees should work with their faculty and managers as early as possible to arrange for reasonable accommodations for their particular religious observances. Academic deans, OSRL, and diversity and inclusion offices are also available for consultation and support.

<u>Holiday</u>	<u>Religion</u>	<u>Day</u>
<b>Rosh Hashanah</b>	<b>Judaism</b>	<b>Eve September 22 through September 24, 2025 after nightfall</b>
<b>Yom Kippur</b>	<b>Judaism</b>	<b>Eve October 1 through October 2, 2025 after nightfall</b>
Sukkot, first two days	Judaism	Eve October 6 through October 8, 2025 after nightfall
Shemini Atzeret/Simchat Torah	Judaism	Eve October 13 through October 15, 2025 after nightfall
Diwali	Hinduism	October 21, 2025
Hanukkah	Judaism	Eve December 14, 2025 through day December 22, 2025
Christmas	Christianity	December 25, 2025
Christmas	Orthodox Christianity	January 7, 2026
<b>Ramadan</b>	<b>Islam</b>	<b>Eve February 17 through day March 18, 2026</b>
Ash Wednesday	Christianity	February 18, 2026
Great Lent Begins	Orthodox Christianity	February 23, 2026
Purim	Judaism	Eve March 2 through day March 3, 2026
Holi	Hinduism	March 4, 2026
<b>Eid al-Fitr</b>	<b>Islam</b>	<b>Eve March 19 through day March 20, 2026 or Eve March 20 through day March 21, 2026</b>
<b>Passover, first two days</b>	<b>Judaism</b>	<b>Eve April 1 through April 3, 2026 after nightfall</b>
Good Friday	Christianity	April 3, 2026
Easter	Christianity	April 5, 2026
Passover, last two days	Judaism	Eve April 7 through April 9, 2026 after nightfall
Holy Friday	Orthodox Christianity	April 10, 2026
Orthodox Easter	Orthodox Christianity	April 12, 2026
Shavuot	Judaism	Eve May 21 through May 23, 2026 after nightfall
Eid al-Adha	Islam	Eve May 26 through day May 27, 2026

Muslim holidays are based on a lunar calendar, and the actual dates are determined by direct observation of the moon as announced by the mosque. Christian holidays also begin on the eve of the dates listed.