

**AVONDALE UNIVERSITY**  
**2026 Outdoor Leadership Courses (SIS40621 & SIS50421) - Academic Calendar**  
**Lake Macquarie (LM) Campus**



**Campuses and Cohorts**

LM – Lake Macquarie Campus

**Teaching Periods**

Trimester 1 – VTRI-1  
 Trimester 2 – VTRI-2

Trimester 3 – VTRI-3

Week in Teaching Session	Week Commencing (Monday)	Dates of Important Academic Events	Event
	20 October 2025	20 October 2025	Online enrolment open for 2026 – April 2025
	15 December	19 December	<b>Last day of operation for the year</b>
	22 December	24 Dec – 2 Jan	<b>Avondale closure – (no staff or facilities available at this time)</b>
	29 December	24 Dec – 2 Jan	<b>Avondale closure – (no staff or facilities available at this time)</b> <b>NEW YEAR'S DAY HOLIDAY</b>
	5 January 2025	5 January 5 January	Student Administration Services opens after Christmas break <b>Off-shore International applications close for SIS50421 &amp; SIS40621</b>
	12 January		
	19 January		
	26 January	26 January 30 January (5pm)	<b>AUSTRALIA DAY Holiday</b> Deadline for enrolment into the Outdoor Leadership Bridging course
	2 February	2 February 2 February	Outdoor Leadership Bridging Course commences (tbc) <b>On-shore International applications close for SIS50421 &amp; SIS40621</b>
	9 February		
	16 February	20 February 22 February 22 February	Outdoor Leadership Bridging Course ends (tbc) LM campus residences open for students to move in Orientation commences for new LM students
<b>Trimester One LAKE MACQUARIE CAMPUS (LM) Commences</b>			
1	23 February	23 February 24 February	Orientation activities for new VET students VTRI-1 training period commences for SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership
2	2 March		
3	9 March		
4	16 March	16-21 March	Festival of Faith
5	23 March		
6	30 March	1 April (5pm) 3 April	<b>CENSUS DATE</b> for VTRI-1 SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma in Outdoor Leadership (Deadline for students to cancel unit/course enrolment to receive a refund of tuition fees) <b>GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY</b>
7	6 April	6 April 10 April	<b>EASTER MONDAY HOLIDAY</b> Last day of classes before Lake Macquarie Campus (LMC) Break
	13 April	13 -17 April	<b>Lake Macquarie Campus (LMC) Break</b>
8	20 April	20 April 25 April	Classes Resume <b>ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY</b>
9	27 April		
10	4 May	8 May	VTRI-1 training period ends for SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership
<b>Trimester Two LAKE MACQUARIE CAMPUS (LM) Commences</b>			
1	11 May	11 May	VTRI-2 training period commences for SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma in Outdoor Leadership
2	18 May		
3	25 May	27-31 May	National Reconciliation Week
4	1 June		
5	8 June	8 June 10 June	<b>KINGS'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY</b> Last day of classes before LM Campus break
	15 June	18 June (5 pm)	<b>Mid-Year Break</b> <b>CENSUS DATE</b> for VTRI-2 SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma in Outdoor Leadership (Deadline for students to cancel unit/course enrolment to receive a refund of tuition fees)
	22 June		<b>Mid-Year Break</b>
	29 June		<b>Mid-Year Break</b>
	6 July		<b>Mid-Year Break</b>
	13 July		<b>Mid-Year Break</b>
	20 July		<b>Mid-Year Break</b>
	27 July	2 August	LM campus residences open for students to move in
<b>Lake Macquarie Campus Mid-Year Break Ends 2 August</b>			
6	3 August	3 August	Classes resume
7	10 August		
8	17 August	22 August	HOMECOMING
9	24 August		
10	31 August	31 Aug -5 Sep 5 September	Festival of Faith VTRI-2 training period ends for SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership

Week in Teaching Session	Week Commencing (Monday)	Dates of Important Academic Events	Event
<b>Trimester Three LAKE MACQUARIE CAMPUS (LM) Commences</b>			
1	7 September	7 September	VTRI-3 training period commences for SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma of Outdoor Leadership
2	14 September		
3	21 September	25 September	Last day of classes before LM Campus break
	28 September	28 Sept-4 Oct	<b>Lake Macquarie Campus (LM) Break</b>
4	5 October	5 October 6 October 6 October (5pm)	<b>LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY</b> LM classes resume <b>CENSUS DATE</b> for VTRI-3 SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma in Outdoor Leadership (Deadline for students to cancel unit/course enrolment to receive a refund of tuition fees)
5	12 October		
6	19 October		
7	26 October		
8	2 November		
9	9 November		
10	16 November	20 November	VTRI-3 training period ends for SIS40621 Certificate IV and SIS50421 Diploma in Outdoor Leadership
	23 November		
	30 November		
	7 December	11 December 12 December 13 December	Graduation Friday Graduation Sabbath Graduation Ceremony
	14 December	15 December	Grades published
	21 December	21 December 21 Dec – 2 Jan	Student Administration Services closes for the Christmas break (tbc) <b>AVONDALE HOLIDAY CLOSURE</b> (no staff or facilities available at this time)(tbc)
	28 December		<b>AVONDALE HOLIDAY CLOSURE</b> (no staff or facilities available at this time)(tbc)
	4 January 2027	4 January	Student Administration Services opens after the Christmas break (tbc)
	11 January 2027		
	25 January 2027	26 January 29 January (5pm)	<b>AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY</b> Deadline for enrolment into the Outdoor Leadership Bridging course

- For more information about 'Census Date' and its significance in relation to the liability for tuition fees, see the Glossary of Terms and Acronyms at <https://www.avondale.edu.au/students/academic/glossary/> and the Refund Policy at <https://www.avondale.edu.au/about/policies/display/?s=NTM3>
- For more details about late enrolment fees see the Unit Enrolment Policy at: [www.avondale.edu.au/policies](http://www.avondale.edu.au/policies)