

This calendar is for HDR candidates enrolled in the Master/Doctor of Philosophy

R1 – Research Semester 1 | R2 – Research Semester 2

Week	Week Commencing (Monday)	Dates of Important Academic Events	Event
	19 October 2026	19 October 2026	Online enrolment opens for R1 2026 units for current candidates
	14 December		
	21 December	23 Dec – 1 Jan	Avondale holiday closure – (no staff or facilities available at this time) (tbc)
	28 December		
1	4 January 2027	4 January 8 January (noon)	Avondale Research Services opens (tbc) DEADLINE to apply for R1 2027
2	11 January	11 January	Research Semester 1 commences
3	18 January		
4	25 January	26 January	AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY
5	1 February		
6	8 February		
7	15 February	20 February (noon)	DEADLINE to enrol in R1
8	22 February	26 February	Reorientation activities for returning candidates (to be confirmed)
9	1 March		
10	8 March		
11	15 March	15-19 March	Festival of Faith
12	22 March	26 March	GOOD FRIDAY HOLIDAY
13	29 March	29 March 1 April (5pm)	EASTER MONDAY HOLIDAY CENSUS DATE for R1: DEADLINE for students who cancel unit/course enrolment to receive a refund of tuition fees
14	5 April		
15	12 April		
16	19 April	25 April	ANZAC DAY
17	26 April	26 April 30 April	ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY DEADLINE to submit April Progress Report
18	3 May		
19	10 May	10 May	Online enrolment opens for R2 2026 units for current candidates
20	17 May		
21	24 May		
22	31 May	1 June	DEADLINE to submit Progress Report
23	7 June		
24	14 June	14 June 17 June 18 June (noon)	KING'S BIRTHDAY HOLIDAY SSAF CENSUS DATE R1: Last day to pay Student Services & Amenities Fee DEADLINE to apply for R2 2026
	21 June		
1	28 June	30 June 1 July	Last day of R1 Research Semester 2 (R2) commences
2	5 July		
3	12 July		
4	19 July		
5	26 July	26-30 July	Orientation/induction sessions for new candidates (to be confirmed)
6	2 August	2-6 August 6 August (12noon)	Reorientation sessions for returning candidates (to be confirmed) DEADLINE to enrol in R2
7	9 August		
8	16 August		
9	23 August		
10	30 August	1 September (5pm)	CENSUS DATE for R2: DEADLINE for students who cancel unit/course enrolment to receive a refund of tuition fees
11	6 September	6 -11 September	Festival of Faith
12	13 September		
13	20 September		
14	27 September		

Week	Week Commencing (Monday)	Dates of Important Academic Events	Event
15	4 October	4 October 5 October (5pm)	LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY SSAF CENSUS DATE R2: Last day to pay Student Services & Amenities Fee
16	11 October		
17	18 October		
18	25 October		
19	1 November		
20	8 November		
21	15 November	16 November	DEADLINE to submit Progress Report
22	22 November		
23	29 November		
24	6 December	10 December 10 December 11 December 12 December	Last day of R2 Graduation Friday Graduation Sabbath Graduation Sunday
	13 December	17 December	Avondale Research Services closes
	20 December	22 Dec – 3 Jan	AVONDALE holiday closure (no staff or facilities available at this time) (to be confirmed)
	27 December		
	3 January 2028	3 January 2028 7 January (noon)	Avondale Research Services opens (to be confirmed) DEADLINE to apply for R1 2028
	10 January 2028		
	17 January 2028		
	24 January 2028	26 January 2028	AUSTRALIA DAY HOLIDAY

For more information about the Census Date, including its significance in relation to the tuition fee liability and eligibility for financial assistance, please refer to the [Glossary of Terms and Acronyms - Avondale University](#) and the [Refund Policy - Avondale Policies - Avondale University](#)