



Republic of the Philippines
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO)

No. 24

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SUBJECT : COLLEGIATE CALENDAR FOR
ACADEMIC YEAR (AY) 2003 - 2004

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In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994," and pursuant to Resolution No. 218, s. 2001 the *Calendar for Academic Year (AY) 2003 - 2004* for the collegiate level is hereby recommended, thus:

- A. As a general rule, the opening of classes for all Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) for AY 2003-2004 shall not be earlier than the first Monday of June 2003 nor later than the 4th Monday of the same month.
- B. Specifically, the following dates and periods shall apply, to wit:
- 1) The collegiate calendar for AY 2003-2004 will begin on Monday, 9 June 2003, and will end on 13 March 2004. Collegiate school days shall consist of not less than eighteen (18) weeks per semester and six (6) weeks for summer classes, excluding Christmas, semestral and summer breaks. The said school days shall include examination days and class days which may be suspended due to natural or man-made causes.
 - a. The first semester will start on 9 June 2003 and will end on 11 October 2003;
 - b. The second semester will start on 27 October 2003 and will end on 13 March 2004; and
 - c. Summer classes will start on 12 April 2004 and will end on 22 May 2004.
 - 2) The Christmas break will begin on 22 December 2003 and will end on 3 January 2004

- C. In addition to the regular and special public holidays recognized by law (Sections 26 and 27, Chapter 7, Administrative Code of 1987), HEIs may observe school holidays, provided that the minimum collegiate school days within a semester or summer stated in B.1 hereof are strictly followed and provided, furthermore, that the minimum length of actual student contact time of seventeen (17) hours, inclusive of examinations, shall be observed for every one-unit collegiate academic credit.
- D. HEIs, including those offering graduate degree programs, adopting the trimestral system may establish their own school calendars and opening days provided the concerned CHED Regional Office (RO) is properly informed of their particular schedules, and provided further that the required minimum number of class hours and class days herein set forth are met.
- E. HEIs using alternative instruction delivery modes may establish their own school calendar and opening days provided the concerned CHEDRO is properly informed of their particular schedules and delivery schemes and/or modules, provided further, that such programs to be offered including delivery schemes have prior approval of the Commission en banc.
- F. The Collegiate Calendar for AY 2003-2004 and the distribution of class days by weeks/months per semester and summer are hereby enclosed for the guidance of all concerned.

Pasig City, Philippines, November 6, 2002


ESTER A. GARCIA
Chairperson

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COLLEGIATE CALENDAR FOR CY 2003-2004

JUNE 2003						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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JULY 2003						
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AUGUST 2003						
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SEPTEMBER 2003						
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OCTOBER 2003						
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DECEMBER 2003						
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JANUARY 2004						
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FEBRUARY 2004						
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APRIL 2004						
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MAY 2004						
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First Semester June 9, 2003 - October 11, 2003

Vacation October 12-26, 2003 = 15 Days

Second Semester Oct. 27, 2003 - March 13, 2004

Vacation March 14 - April 11, 2004 = 22 Days

Summer April 12, 2004 - May 22, 2004

Vacation May 23 - June 14, 2004 = 22 Days

June

12 Independence Day (Legal Holiday)

August

31 National Heroes Day

November

01 All Saints Day (Regular Holiday, fixed)

30 Bonifacio Day (Regular Holiday, fixed)

December

22 Christmas Vacation Begins

25 Christmas Day (Regular Holiday, fixed)

30 Rizal Day (Regular Holiday, fixed)

31 Last Day of the Year (Special Holiday, fixed)

January

1 New Year's Day (Regular Holiday, fixed)

5 Classes Resume

April

8 Maundy Thursday (Legal Holiday)

9 Good Friday (Legal Holiday)

Araw ng Kagitingan (Holiday)

May

1 Labor Day (Regular Holiday, fixed)

18-24 Higher Education Week