Explanatory notes:

1. Academic Year
   - This academic calendar serves as a basis for the planning of (educational) activities of Leiden University.
   - The academic calendar applies to the entire university with the exception of the Faculty of Medicine and LUC.
   - Irrespective of this academic calendar, for legal and administrative purposes the academic year lasts from 1 September 2023 until and including 31 August 2024.
   - The academic year comprises two 21-week semesters (public holidays and compulsory vacation days not included) in which lectures and assessment take place, assignments are completed and so on.
   - Resits may also be scheduled in the summer period. See Examinations’ below.
   - For course and examination schedules, see faculty and programme websites.

2. Examinations
   - Examinations and resits may take place during semesters I & II.
   - Resits may take place in the summer period (8 July to 1 September); in agreement with the Overlap Committee, the period in which introduction weeks take place (12 August to 30 August 2024) are free of resits, with a possible exception for first-year exams.
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3. Public holidays, compulsory vacation days and special occasions:
   - 4 September 2023: opening of academic year 2023-2024.
   - 8 September 2023: no lectures for first years from 13.00 hrs. to allow attendance at inaugurations student clubs.*
   - 2 & 3 October 2023: (day before) Relief of Leiden (note this is also a holiday for Campus The Hague).
   - 23 November 2023: Cleveringa Lecture, no lectures between 15.00-18.00 hrs.
   - 25 December 2023 until and including 1 January 2024: Christmas and New Year.
   - 8 February 2024: Dies Natalis, no lectures between 13.00-17.00 hrs.
   - 29 March 2024: Good Friday.
   - 31 March and 1 April 2024: Easter.
   - 27 April 2024: King's Day.
   - 4 May 2024: Remembrance Day (no compulsory closure).
   - 5 May 2024: Liberation Day.
   - 9 & 10 May 2024: (day after) Ascension Day.
   - 19 and 20 May 2024: Whitin.
   - 2 September 2024: opening academic year 2024-2025.

*In agreement with the Overlap Committee. By decision of the Executive Board, this applies to all faculties.