

Health, Medicine and Life Sciences 2025-2026 Semester A Intake Study Pattern

- MSc Bioscience With Advanced Research (2-year course)
- MSc Molecular Biotechnology with Advanced Research

Starting: September 2025

Important Information for Student Visa Holders:

Please note that all periods except official University vacations are considered term time. This includes the time after your final exam or dissertation submission, up until the end date on your CAS. During this entire period, you must continue to follow the term-time work restrictions set by your visa.

Semester A 2025 - 2026		
Month	Week Starting	Activity
Sep 2026	01/09/25	Vacation
	08/09/25	Vacation
	15/09/25	Vacation
	22/09/25	Term Time
	29/09/25	Term Time
Oct 2025	06/10/25	Term Time
	13/10/25	Term Time
	20/10/25	Term Time
	27/10/25	Term Time
Nov 2025	03/11/25	Term Time
	10/11/25	Term Time
	17/11/25	Term Time
	24/11/25	Term Time
Dec 2025	01/12/25	Term Time
	08/12/25	Term Time
	15/12/25	Vacation
	22/12/25	Vacation
	29/12/25	Vacation
Jan 2026	05/01/26	Term Time
	12/01/26	Exam Week

Semester B 2025- 2026		
Month	Week Starting	Activity
Jan 2026	19/01/26	Term Time
	26/01/26	Term Time
Feb 2026	02/02/26	Term Time
	09/02/26	Term Time
	16/02/26	Term Time
	23/02/26	Term Time
Mar 2026	02/03/26	Term Time
	09/03/26	Term Time
	16/03/26	Term Time
	23/03/26	Term Time
	30/03/26	Vacation
Apr 2026	06/04/26	Vacation
	13/04/26	Term Time
	20/04/26	Term Time
	27/04/26	Exam Week
May 2026	04/05/26	Exam Week

Semester C 2025 - 2026		
Month	Week Starting	Activity
May 2026	11/05/26	Term Time
	18/05/26	Term Time
	25/05/26	Term Time
Jun 2026	01/06/26	Term Time
	08/06/26	Term Time
	15/06/26	Term Time
	22/06/26	Vacation
	29/06/26	Vacation
Jul 2026	06/07/26	Vacation
	13/07/26	Vacation
	20/07/26	Vacation
	27/07/26	Vacation
Aug 2026	03/08/26	Vacation
	10/08/26	Vacation
	17/08/26	Vacation
	24/08/26	Vacation
Sep 2026	31/08/26	Vacation
	07/09/26	Vacation
	14/09/26	Vacation

- The Programme Leader has confirmed students can only work full time after the date on the CAS letter
- Students can work full time during vacation period in summer
- For two-year MSc courses with placement, students who secure a placement can start it between June and September. However, if they don't secure a placement or start their placement later (up until September), then the period in between is considered as vacation.