

## RELIGIOUS HOLIDAYS 2009-2010

### Baha'i\*

<b>Birth of the Bab</b>	<b>October 20</b>
<b>Birth of Baha'u'llah</b>	<b>November 12</b>
<b>Naw Ruz - Baha'i New Year</b>	<b>March 20-21</b>
<b>Feast of Ridvan</b>	<b>April 21-29</b>
Declaration of the Bab	May 22-23

### Christian

Christmas	December 25
Ash Wednesday	February 17
<b>Holy Thursday</b>	<b>April 1</b>
<b>Good Friday</b>	<b>April 2</b>
Easter	April 4
Orthodox Easter	April 4

### Hindu\*\*

Raksha Bandhan	August 5
Sri Krishna Jayanti	August 14
Navratri	September 19
<b>Dussehra</b>	<b>September 28</b>
<b>Diwali</b>	<b>October 17</b>
Holi	February 28

### Islamic\*\*

Ramadan	Begins August 22
<b>Eid-al-Fitr</b>	<b>September 20</b>
<b>Eid-al-Adha</b>	<b>November 27</b>
Islamic New Year	December 18
Muharram 1st	December 27

### Jewish\*\*\*

<b>Rosh Hashana</b>	<b>September 18-20</b>
<b>Yom Kippur</b>	<b>September 27-28</b>
<b>Sukkot</b>	<b>October 2-4</b>
<b>Sh'mini Atzeret</b>	<b>October 9-10</b>
<b>Simchat Torah</b>	<b>October 10-11</b>
Chanukah	December 12-19
Purim	February 27-28
Passover	March 29-31

### Zen Buddhist\*\*

Bodhidharma Day	October 5
Soyen Shaku Day	November 1
Shakyamuni	December 8
Parinirvana Day	February 8 or 15
Shakyamuni-Buddha's Birthday	May 27

#### NOTES:

**Dates in bold are considered very important Holy Days when students/employees may be absent from school or work and are not otherwise granted by the university.**

\*Observance of Baha'i holy days begins at sundown of the preceding day and ends at sunset of the holy days.

\*\*Observance of Buddhist, Hindu/Vedic and Islamic days is dependent on the sightings of the moon.

\*\*\*All Jewish holidays begin at sunset on the first day given and end one hour after sunset on the last day given.

## ETHNIC OBSERVANCES 2009-2010

### African American

Rosa Parks Day	December 1
Kwanzaa	Dec 26-Jan 1
Emancipation Day	January 1
Martin Luther King Jr. Day	January 18
Black History Month	February
Malcolm X's Birthday	May 19
Juneteenth	June 19

### Arab American

Arab American Heritage Awareness Month	varies
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### Asian / Pacific Islander American

Japanese New Year	January 1-3
Chinese & Vietnamese New Year	February 14
Japanese-American Internment	February 19
Day of Remembrance	
Asian Pacific Islander Heritage Month	May
Fil-American Friendship Day (Pilipino)	July 4

### European American

European American Heritage Month	October
German American Heritage Month	October
Polish American Heritage Month	October
Irish American Heritage Month	March
Greek American Heritage Month	March
St. Patrick's Day (Irish American)	March 17
Holocaust Remembrance Day	April 11
National Tartan Day (Scottish-American)	April 6

### Hispanic / Latin American

Hispanic Heritage Month	Sep 15-Oct 15
Dia de los Muertos	November 1
Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe	December 12
Cinco de Mayo	May 5

### Native American, Alaskan Native, and Native Hawaiian American

Native American Day (California)	September 25
Indigenous Peoples Day	October 12
Native American Heritage Month	November
Prince Kuhio Day-Hawaii	March 26
King Kamehameha Day-Hawaii	June 11

## OTHER MULTICULTURAL OBSERVANCES

AIDS Awareness Month	October
Universal Children's Day	November 20
Women's History Month	March
Disability Awareness Month	October
Deaf History Month	March 13 - April 15
International Women's Day	March 8
Older Americans Month	May
Day of Silence (LGBT)	April 16
Gay Lesbian Bisexual Awareness Month	June