THE ACADEMIC YEAR

The academic year is made up of four terms:

1. Fall Term (September - December)
2. Spring Term (January - May)
3. May-mester (May, 3 weeks)
4. Summer Sessions (June – July)

A semester (or term) lasts for 14 ½ weeks. If a student is taking a three-credit course, the class will usually meet for two 75-minute blocks, each week for 14 ½ weeks. A four-credit class will meet for four hours, usually two 2-hour blocks for 14 ½ weeks. The 15th and 16th weeks are reserved for final exams. A schedule of final exams is e-mailled to all students around the middle of each term.

RIT Croatia usually follows RIT’s academic and administrative calendar with the exception of recognizing Croatian statutory holidays, rather than US holidays. Exact start and end dates for each term as well as important dates and events throughout the year are listed on the RIT Croatia Academic Calendar, which can be found on the RIT Croatia website under tab Current Students and then, Important Documents (Current Semester).

It is very important for students to follow RIT Croatia’s Academic Calendar when making their travel plans. Students should not make any travel arrangements until they know their schedule for the term. Instructors are asked not to reschedule exams for individual students, except in case of emergencies.

In rare instances, it is necessary for an instructor to schedule class activities at a time other than scheduled. It is the student’s responsibility to inform the instructor if he or she has a class that is in conflict with any change. Students should not assume that other instructors will release them from class to take a field trip or do a project. It is the student’s responsibility to attend his or her regularly scheduled class.