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TO: Deans, Division and Department Heads

FROM: Dr. Carrie Castille, President

RE: ULM Employee Holiday Schedule

Act 139 of the 1991 Regular Session of the Legislature provides that each institution of higher education shall designate a maximum of fourteen (14) legal holidays per calendar year to be observed as University holidays instead of observing the same number of state-designated holidays.

Accordingly, the following University holidays are designated for 2026-2027 and will be observed without regard to otherwise designated State Holidays.

University Designated Holidays	2026-2027 Dates	Official State Holidays	University Closures*
Independence Day	July 3	.5	
Labor Day	September 7	1	
Fall Break	October 9*		.5*
Thanksgiving	November 25*		1*
	November 26	1	
	November 27	.5	
Christmas/New Year	December 18*		.5*
	December 21*		1*
	December 22*		1*
	December 23	1	
	December 24	1	
	December 25	.5	
	December 28	1	
	December 29	1	
	December 30	1	
	December 31	1	
	January 1	.5	
Dr. Martin Luther King Day	January 18	1	
Mardi Gras	February 8*		1*
	February 9	1	
Spring Break	March 26*		.5*
	March 29	1	
	March 30*		1*
Memorial Day	May 31	1	
Juneteenth	June 18		.5*
		14	7*

Please make this information available to all employees within your unit.
Department heads are authorized to allow employees, where applicable, to work during holidays instead of using leave.
*These are employee leave days, i.e., compensatory leave, annual leave or leave without pay as appropriate.
**University offices will close on Wednesday, November 25, 2026, in observance of Thanksgiving break.
Winter session classes resume on Monday, January 4, 2027.
All employees should report to work on Monday, January 4, 2027, following the Christmas and New Year break.