

Third-Level Academic Calendar 2025-26

September 2025

Tuesday 2 nd	Distribution of Supplemental exam results to students
Week of 8 th	RIAM opens for teaching and ensemble rehearsing Tertiary Orientation Week
Week of 15 th	Semester 1 - Academic Year 2025/26 officially commences BMus Ed - Michaelmas teaching term begins
Week of 22 nd	Screened Auditions for RIAM Philharmonia
Week of 29 th	Screened Auditions for RIAM Philharmonia
Friday 29 th	Submission deadline [4 pm] for: Doctorate students seeking to give recitals between 3 November & 5 December 2025

October 2025

Week of 20 th	Holiday Week 1A/ Performance Spotlight Week (PSW 1A)
Monday 20 th	Application closing date [5 pm] Irene Sandford & Maura Dowdall
Week of 27 th	Holiday Week 1B/ Performance Spotlight Week (PSW 1B) TCD Study/Review (Monday, Public Holiday)
Monday 27 th	Bank Holiday

November 2025

Friday 7 th	Submission deadline [4 pm] for: Doctorate students seeking to give recitals between 12 January & 13 March 2026
Monday 10 th	Irene Sandford Award Preliminary and Final Rounds
Wednesday 12 th	Maura Dowdall Preliminary Round

December 2025

Week of 1 st	Academic Assessments Revision Week (BMus Ed students) Mid-year performance exams (Stings & WBP) Closing date for RIAM Tertiary applications, Academic Year 2026/ Mid-Year performance Exams/Academic Assessments/ Performance Spotlight Week 2 TCD - Michaelmas Term ends Sunday 14 December 2025/Semester 1 end Holiday Week
Week of 8 th	
Week of 15 th	
24 th December	Christmas Period - College closed 24 December 2025 to 1 January 2026 inclusive

January 2026

Week of 5 th	Performance Spotlight Week 3 (PSW3a) BMus Ed - TCD Foundation Scholarships Examinations
Friday 10 th	Submission deadline [4 pm] for: Concerto Submission form for BMus Year 4, MMus Year 1 & 2, and Recital Artist Diploma students Doctorate students seeking to give recitals between 16 March & June 2026
Week of 12 th	Performance Spotlight Week 3 (PSW 3b) BMus Ed students -Hilary Term begins/Semester 2 begins
Week of 19 th	Semester 2 teaching officially commences TCD Hilary teaching term begins Entrance Auditions for all courses - dates and times to be confirmed
Monday 19 th	Application closing date [5 pm] Broderick and Teissier
Wednesday 21 st	Maura Dowdall Semi-Final Round
Week of 26 th	Mid-Year performance exams (BMus YR4 & MMus)

February 2026

Week of 2 nd	Monday, February 2 nd Public Holiday
Tuesday 3 rd	Submission deadline [4 pm] for: ChamberFest Dublin and Chamber Music Assessments submissions
Wednesday 18 th	Maura Dowdall Competition – Final Round
Week 23 rd	Performance Spotlight Week (PSW 4)
Monday 23 rd	Submission deadline [4 pm] for:

March 2026

Week of 2nd

Friday 6th

Thursday 12th

Tuesday 17th

Wednesday 18th

Thursday 19th

Monday, 23rd &

Tuesday, 24th

Wednesday 25th

Holiday Week 5 and TCD Study Review for BMus Ed

Submission deadline [12 noon] for:

Electives options for existing BMus Year 3 students.

Amplify Research Day

Bank Holiday - St Patrick's Day

Competition Dates

Teissier **Preliminary** Round

Teissier **Final** Round

Maeve Broderick Preliminary Round

Maeve Broderick Final Round

April 2026

Thursday 2nd

Friday 3rd

Week 6th

Monday 6th

Tuesday 7th

Week 20th

Thursday 15th

Week 27th

Amendments/Revisions of Handbooks for Academic Year 2026/27

RIAM closed - Good Friday

Holiday Week

RIAM closed - Easter Monday

RIAM re-opens after Easter

Academic Assessments

BMus, Diploma in Music Teaching and Performance Demonstration Lesson

Submission deadline [4 pm] for:

End-of-year exam programmes

Chamber Fest Performance Spotlight Week begins (PSW 5)

May 2026

Friday 1st

Monday 4th

Week of 4th

Week of 11th

Monday 11th

Week 18th

Week 25th

Friday 29th

Submission deadline [4 pm] for:

Relevant documentation for Doctor in Music Performance Progress Review

RIAM closed - Bank Holiday

Chamber Fest Performance Spotlight Week (PSW 6)

Submission deadline [4 pm] for:

Marks [i.e., continuous assessment marks, Performance Spotlight Week, attendance penalties etc

CAPSTONE Exams(TBC)

Performance Marked electives (YR4 & MMus 1& 2)

Submission deadline [12 noon] for:

All Theses, Portfolio and final academic assignments

Performance examinations week 1 (Access, BMus YR1 & Y2 Keyboard, Vocal & Strings

BMus Ed Recitals examinations (TBC)

Performance examinations week 2

Trinity Term ends Sunday 31 May 2026/Semester 2 end (BMus Ed)

Submission deadline [4 pm] for:

All RIAM academic results from academic staff

Doctorate students seeking to give recitals between 14th September & 23rd October 2026

June 2026

Monday 1st

Week of 1st

Friday 5th

Tuesday 16th

Friday 19th

Monday 22nd

RIAM closed - Bank Holiday

Performance examinations week 3

Conclusion of performance exams

Pre-Court Exams Board Meeting [12 pm]

Exams Board Meeting [12 pm]

Results released

July 2026

Wednesday 1st

Friday 26th

Distribution of transcripts to students

RIAM closes for the summer holidays

August 2026

Friday 21st

Week of 24th

Week of 24th

Wednesday 26th

Thursday 27th

Friday 28th

Monday 31st

Submission of Supplemental Assignments

Supplemental Academic Exams

College reopens

Submission deadline [12 noon] for:

All Supplemental academic results

Conclusion of Supplemental performance exams

Pre-Court Exam Board Meeting (1 pm)

Court of Examiners (12 pm)

September 2026

Tuesday 1st

Distribution of results to students

Other dates to note:

Feis Ceoil 2026

For Further information: [Feis Dates](#) | [Feis Ceoil Festival](#) | [Feis Ceoil](#)

Committee Meetings 2025/26

Doctorate	UG/PG	Junior	RIAM Exams	Artistic Planning	Adult Division Steering Committee	DEAI
Friday 11.00 am- 12.30 pm	Friday 11.00 am- 12.30 pm (UG) Friday 2.00 pm- 3.30 pm (PG)	Friday 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	Friday 2.00 pm – 4.00 pm	Thursday 9.30 am – 11.00 am	Thursday 9.30 am – 11.00 am	Friday 2.00 pm – 3.00 pm
17/10/25	10/10/25	26/09/25	07/11/25	02/10/25	16/10/25	03/10/25
20/03/26	28/11/25	21/11/25	05/12/25	06/11/25	20/11/25	20/03/26
05/06/26	13/02/26	06/02/26	13/03/26	04/12/25	22/01/26	05/06/26
	17/04/26	27/03/26	15/05/26	23/01/26 (Friday)	12/03/26	
	29/05/26	22/05/26	26/06/26	26/03/26	07/05/26	
				12/06/26 (Friday)		

Board of Studies Meetings 2025/26

November	January	March	June
Friday 2.00 pm	Friday 2.00 pm	Friday 2.00 pm	Friday 2.00 pm
14/11/25	30/01/26	24/04/26	19/06/26

Associate College Degrees Committee 2025/26

November	February	March
Tuesday 10.00 am	Tuesday 10.00 am	Tuesday 10.00 am
04/11/25	03/02/26	31/03/26

Please note the RIAM reserves the right to make changes to this Academic Calendar