

Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT COMMISSION ON HIGHER EDUCATION

CHED MEMORANDUM ORDER (CMO)
No. 02
Series of 2002

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SUBJECT :

COLLEGIATE CALENDAR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR (AY) 2002 - 2003

In accordance with the pertinent provisions of Republic Act (RA) No. 7722, otherwise known as the "Higher Education Act of 1994," and pursuant to Resolution No. 218, s. 2001 the Calendar for Academic Year (AY) 2002 – 2003 for the collegiate level is hereby recommended, thus:

- A. As a general rule, the opening of classes for all Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) for AY 2002-2003 shall not be earlier than the first Monday of June 2002 nor later than the 4th Monday of the same month.
- B. Specifically, the following dates and periods shall apply, to wit:
- 1) The collegiate calendar for AY 2002-2003 will begin on Monday, 3 June 2002, and will end on 08 March 2003. Collegiate school days shall consist of not less than eighteen (18) weeks per semester and six (6) weeks for summer classes, excluding Christmas, semestral and summer breaks. The said school days shall include examination days and class days which may be suspended due to natural or man-made qualet.
 - a. The first semester will start on 3 June 2002 and will end on 5 October 2002;
 - The second semester will start on 21 October 2002 and will end on 08 March 2003; and
 - c. Summer classes will start on 1 April 2003 and will end on 10 May 2003.
- The Christmas break will begin on 16 December 2002 and will end on 1 January 2003.

- C. In addition to the regular and special public holidays recognized by law (Sections 26 and 27, Chapter 7, Administrative Code of 1987). Hist may observe school holidays, provided that the minimum collegiate school days within a semester or summer stated in B.1 hereof are strictly followed and provided, furthermore, that the minimum length of actual student contact time of seventeen (17) hours, inclusive of examinations, shall be observed for every one-unit collegiate academic credit.
- D. HEIs, including those offering graduate degree programs, adopting the trimestral system may establish their own school calendars and opening days provided the concerned Higher Education Regional Office (HERO) is properly informed of their particular schedules, and provided further that the required minimum number of class hours and class days herein set forth are met.
- E. HEIs using alternative instruction delivery modes may establish their own school calendar and opening days provided the concerned Higher Education Regional Office is properly informed of their particular schedules and delivery schemes and/or modules, <u>provided further</u>, that such programs to be offered including delivery schemes have prior approval of the Commission en banc.
- F. The Collegiate Calendar for AY 2002-2003 and the distribution of class days by weeks/months per semester and summer are hereby enclosed for the guidance of all concerned.

Pasig City, Philippines. Jenuary 21, 2002

ESTER A. GARCIA
Chairperson



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