Illinois Human Resources
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS URBANA-CHAMPAIGN

Campus Holiday Schedule 2026 – 2027

Date	Weekday	Holiday
July 3, 2026	Friday	Independence Day
September 7, 2026	Monday	Labor Day
November 26, 2026	Thursday	Thanksgiving Day
November 27, 2026	Friday	Day after Thanksgiving (Designated Holiday)
December 24, 2026	Thursday	Gift Day
December 25, 2026	Friday	Christmas Day Holiday
December 28, 2026	Monday	Day after Christmas (Designated Holiday)
December 29, 2026	Tuesday	Gift Day
December 30, 2026	Wednesday	Gift Day
December 31, 2026	Thursday	President Designated Holiday
January 1, 2027	Friday	New Year's Day Holiday
January 18, 2027	Monday	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (Designated Holiday)
May 31, 2027	Monday	Memorial Day
June 18, 2027	Friday	Juneteenth Day (Recognized)

Gift Days

December 24, 29, and 30 of 2026 have been designated as "gift days," meaning that employees are excused from work with pay without having to charge a benefit. If an employee is required to work on one or more of those days, they must receive an alternate gift day that must be used by June 30, 2027.

A gift day is a paid day (use of benefit time is not required) provided to leave benefit eligible employees. Essential employees who must work on a designated gift day may use their gift day at a later time in the *current* fiscal year, with supervisor approval. Unused gift days are not paid out at the time of termination and do not roll over into the next fiscal year.

For other questions related to gift days, contact Labor and Employee Relations at 333-3105.
Employees have two Floating Holidays (must be taken in full day increments) that can be used any time from July 1, 2026, until June 30, 2027. However, the scheduling of these two Floating Holidays are subject to unit approval. Unused floating holidays are not paid out at the time of termination and do not roll over into the next fiscal year.