




Conflict on campus

			1923	1924	1925	1926	1927	1928	1929
1930	1931	1932	1933	1934	1935	1936	1937	1938	1939
1940	1941	1942	1943	1944	1945	1946	1947	1948	1949
1950	1951	1952	1953	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
1960	1961	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966	1967	1968	1969
1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
1980	1981	1982	1983	1984	1985	1986	1987	1988	1989
1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999*
2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
2020	2021	2022	2023						

*In 1999 the U of M shifts to semesters, a byproduct of which was alleviating much conflict between the school start and Jewish high holidays

-  = school start on Jewish high holiday
-  = welcome week events on Jewish high holiday
-  = would have landed on Jewish high holiday, start date changed by administration

The University of Minnesota either started classes or had a welcome week event on a Jewish high holiday (Rosh Hashanah or Yom Kippur) 33% of the time between 1923 and 2023. This does not include three years in the 1980s where the first day of school would have landed on a Jewish high holiday, but University Administration shifted the first day to avoid the conflict.

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