**Academic Calendar – Fall Semester (“Wintersemester”) 2021**

- Sunday, August 29: Students depart from the U.S.
- **Monday, August 30**: Students arrive in Germany. (AJY staff will meet students at the Frankfurt airport or at Heidelberg train station)
- Monday, August 30 – Friday, September 3: Orientation
- Monday, September 6 – Wednesday, September 29: Intensive Pre-Semester Language Course; Excursions
- **Last week of September**: German Language Proficiency Exam (DSH) – written & oral; academic advising (mandatory)
- Thursday, September 30 – Sunday, October 10: Fall break
- Monday, October 11: First day of classes of Wintersemester at Universität Heidelberg.
- Friday, December 17: Last day of the AJY short fall semester.

Fall students will make arrangements to take early exams, so that they can leave as early as Wednesday, December 15.

- Saturday, December 18 – Sunday, January 9: Uni Heidelberg short winter break
- Friday, February 12: Last day of the Uni Heidelberg Wintersemester (and the AJY full fall semester)