

F1UgradAgree

The summer is too short; three days for thanksgiving is enough; study period is a bit long.

It will help with internships that last longer in the summer

More time between end of summer experiences and beginning of school year = less stressful, less rapid, less abrupt transition from "work" to "more work"

The study exam period is especially long as it currently stands, and it would be nice to have more time in the summer to transition from internships into the new academic year.

Allows more time for internships during the summer.

I do not think we should have exams until December 22. It is way to late and people need time to get places for Christmas and the holidays. You will have too many people skipping exams or petitioning to get them moved and professors want to go on vacation with their family.

It is difficult to be flexible with summer jobs and internships with such an early start to the semester. Also, the five days of class between Thanksgiving and study period have traditionally been over-stocked with final prelims, papers, projects, presentations, and other assignments, which makes it difficult to stay on top of everything going into finals.

it is more efficient because i personally feel that we start very early and don't need that much study time before finals

Move in is too early currently, and the proposed change of ending around December 18th is not too late

Flying home so close to Christmas is really expensive. The earlier the better

No other schools start this early in the fall

The study period for the fall calendar is WAY too long; this current calendar is much more reasonable and also allows for a slightly longer summer period.

Keeping Fall Break as 2 days seems particularly important, but I do like the idea of starting back later, and having a few more class days after Thanksgiving.

We start classes too early which disrupts internships.

exams beginning too soon after thanksgiving break is overwhelming and would be difficult to enjoy the holiday

Short summer is an issue for internships. I was not able to do a 12 week internship like most of my co-interns (it was standard) because there was not enough time in the summer break.

Fall break is great and the semester starts to early into August

Longer summer works better with summer internships, jobs, etc.

Better use of time without losing out on anything significant

The week after Thanksgiving break seems rushed under the current system. Having a longer summer would also be nice.

I have run into problems with how short our summer is when trying to get jobs and internships. Starting later in August would help with this problem.

Later summer start.

A longer break would be great for internships

Allows more time for rest after summer internships/programs before school begins (one of my concerns). I support the longer summer. Definitely makes more sense to have a period of time longer than a single week in between Thanksgiving break and final exams to teach material. Con: Move in is on Thursday, which may be inconvenient for freshmen's families who accompany their children. The current calendar allows families to come on Friday and stay the weekend. The F1 calendar has move in on Thursday, making it more difficult to coordinate schedules in order for

families to stay with their children during these first days.

Giving the students another week of classes following Thanksgiving break would be a huge relief for students (especially engineers) who have projects that pile up into that week and often are (were) extended into the study week of finals. The two weeks following Thanksgiving were insane.

I like the shorter exam period and later start of the semester.

- The final exam study period used to be too long - Most colleges begin school after us - we start too early

one more week of summer, makes more sense to have a full week of school as opposed to tuesday-friday. Shorter finals week and study period will benefit students who can feel burnt out.

Our winter break is unnecessarily long and summer is too short, we don't need all the study days

More convenient with internships

There's more than one week of class after thanksgiving break.

The Winter Break period is often seen to be too short for internships but also too long (break is dragged out for an unnecessary period of time)

longer summer=more time at internship/job, which means making a little bit more money before classes start only issue with that is the possibility of exams so late in the season

Longer summer break and weird week of class after thanksgiving break eliminated.

We start later without losing Fall Break or Thanksgiving Break. Also, study/exam periods are too long, so shortening is good.

School starting later in August, is very preferable for going a few days later into December. We have more than enough study time for finals.

I like the idea of a later starting date and shorter study period before finals, yet I prefer Fall Break to be maintained at its usual length

Longer summer. Our winter break is very long anyways so its fine that we get out a few days later in December

I prefer starting the semester later so I can stay at an internship longer.

Starts classes later so students can make summer more productive. I don't mind having the semester end later since many other schools end that late. It also shortens the exam period, which can have weird pockets of time however, I can see that being problematic for students who utilize that full time. I have not personally experienced a Fall semester in which I was studying the entire exam period.

Making the exam period shorter would be incredible

I agree that our exam period is too long and that the days beforehand are of diminished value

I like starting later in August since most internships go until the first or second week of August it is nice to get some summer.

The winter break is too long and it would be better to have a longer summer for more flexibility surrounding students' summer plans.

This would be a great change; December break is so long

Summers are too short, esp. considering internships, study period is too long

Study period can be too long sometimes and longer breaks would be better.

I like that the shift in days so that classes begin and end in the middle of the week minus a few exceptions.

School starts too early in August. This summer I have to use a vacation week from my job in order to come back to school on time. This week could have been used to work or to actually take a vacation. I do NOT think we should

remove a day from fall break.

Shortens exam period, Provides more time for summer break

Prefer to start later

The exam period has always dragged for me. I typically get stuck with one of the last time slots, which means I can't go home even though I've studied long enough. My one hesitation is that I'd sooner use the few days we shave off in August to either Fall or Thanksgiving, which are so short that they hardly provide a break at all.

Allowing for a longer summer will help students with internships.

summer is longer, winter break is shorter. but the breaks are too short.

lengthens the summer, shorter winter break

Winter Break is too long. As for the variation of the F1, fall break should still be 2 days. The 4 day weekend is very much appreciated.

Starting towards the end of summer is an improvement, as is starting courses on Monday (Tuesdays just seems arbitrary and screws up sections for all courses). As someone who lives far from Cornell I'd still prefer ending the semester/exams a little later. I'm concerned that Thanksgiving break should be a full week (in many courses it effectively is). Holding the "Recognition" day before exams are over seems stupid to me.

I do think our summer break should be longer and winter break shorter. However, shortening study days concerns me slightly because I have had semesters where studying for all of my finals was hard to handle. I wish we were given more of an opportunity to move around finals other than just if you have 3 within a 24 hour period.

We start super early compared to other schools & internships/work aren't done by then

More compatible with the rest of our peers in other universities.

It lengthens the summer break and syncs up Cornell with most other universities.

Classes starting later in August is better for internship lengths.

more time at summer internships

Shortening the exam/study period is a good idea.

More time in the summer

Longer winter break

We currently start too early in August. Our exam period is too long.

The later start date will allow for students to complete more summer activities such as internships. The end date just has to be proportional and with the latest date being the 22nd, students still have plenty of time to travel home for Christmas.

Summer is when most people have internships etc. and it's hard to leave so early. Leaving school later in December is better since most other schools end school later anyway. As long as the final exam calendar is released earlier. If we need a longer study period I think Labor Day break is close enough to the start of exam period so it's a good break to have, especially while work load is still relatively light, for upperclassmen to reconnect and catch up

This would allow students a break between the end of possible internships or jobs before school begins

First day is pushed back and exam period is shorter. Perfect

Longer summer is good. Don't reduce fall break.

Internships run into school and a lot of my peers (including me) are leaving internships early to ensure we make it back to school on time.

We start way too early.

Longer summer break

Agree that exam period could be shorter.

The remainder of our winter break is long enough so that our exam period ending later does not affect us as much. Our summers are very short compared to other people so this later starting time would definitely help.

I like that summer vacation gets an extra week.

I support the longer summer and shorter exam study period

I feel that our summer break is too short, and having a shorter exam period allows things to be less spread-out

Shortens an unnecessarily long exam period

A later start with the preservation of Fall and Thanksgiving break seems to have no downsides

Better to start later but I don't think the breaks during the year should be shortened.

Class days after thanksgiving will be more meaningful.

The changes seem appropriate as far as starting classes after orientation at the beginning of the week.

I agree with the premises that the summer is too short and the exam period is too long compared to our peers.

Having more class days after Thanksgiving Break is useful because there is less pressure for professors to assign all final projects or assignments to be due during a single week, meaning that students also don't have to worry as much about assignments during Thanksgiving Break. As a whole, I like the F1 + S3 combination of full-year schedules, because there is a good parallelism between the structure of the semesters and it creates a better class day streak between all of the breaks.

This will fix the "useless week" problem at the end of the semester.

I like the longer summer

To be on the same vacation time as all my friends from different universities

It increases the length of summer! Also the winter break was too long

Seems that the shorter exam period and longer summer would be beneficial to all. I appreciate that the bite into the winter break is minimal. I am concerned that having labour day so early in the semester means that it doesn't over the recuperatory period that I found it gave me two weeks in.

Internships tend to end in late August

I like the placement of the exam schedule better and that there are 2 weeks of classes rather than 1 after Thanksgiving break. Also, the longer summer is nice even if the end of the semester cuts closer to Christmas.

Starting at the beginning of the week is a better idea.

By giving professors more days after Thanksgiving break, students can ask more questions. Since the semester is practically over, Professors will have time to wrap up the final touches of the lectures and answer any questions students would instead be running to office hours for.

We start classes later which means internships that go later won't need to be avoided. The five days we currently have after Thanksgiving are not that useful other than as review, so this fixes that.

Later start

I definitely would appreciate a later start date in august, and think the 1-day decrease of fall break is not a big deal. shortened exam period is good but make sure students still get adequate study days (which this calendar shows).

Many summer opportunities go through most of August so I would like extra time for those internships

Later start date so more time for an internship

I like the longer summer as well as having more than one week after Thanksgiving break

It lengthens the summer and makes the days after Thanksgiving more valuable

I agree that the summer is too short, and winter break could be shorter

I've had to not take jobs because I would be short a week at the end

Moving the start date to the end of August is better because that's when other schools start. Definitely start in August though, don't wait until September because that would be too late. Reducing the study period is fine. Students like to get their finals over with anyway. I do not like the variation suggested. The original F1 framework sounds good.

Longer summer break, more time for internships and other activities

I love that after Thanksgiving, there is only one week and the semester ends

It's a nice balance between everything

I like the longer period between Thanksgiving and finals. I think it's nice to move the calendar a week forward, but I don't like how finals week is shortened.

Longer summer

I like lengthening the summer and shortening the study period

2 weeks after Thanksgiving break is mad useful. Makes way more sense. I dislike having orientation lead into Monday class though - better to ease into the school year with a shortened week.

I prefer a longer summer

longer summer and shorter winter break, but comparable to that of other schools

Keep 2-day fall break. I like having shorter exam/study period with F1.

Having just a few days after Thanksgiving feels inefficient, like those days are wasted. Everything has to get in before Thanksgiving, putting pressure on people to not go home early. I can't go home for Thanksgiving without skipping class because I live too far for three days off to be practical. Also, friends complain that they can't do certain internships without missing the first few days of classes.

I like that it starts later into the summer. I don't like having to leave so early in the summer, and it would be nicer if we could go back later in August. I also do not mind going home a little later in December and think it would be less hectic with exams if we were to have another 4 days back of classes and to new materials before finals week and study period.

Longer summer, shorter exam period.

The moving of classes towards the end of the semester really helps prevent the end-of-semester crash that occurs out of only having one week of classes before finals.

The school year starts too early in August.

It aligns better with our peer institution calendars, and makes it so that individuals involved in pre-orientation programs still get a full summer as well.

I would appreciate the later start date, and the more even distribution of the breaks. I don't like the idea of making fall break only one day, but wouldn't mind having class on Labor Day

Later to start to school is much appreciated. I work as a wildland firefighter during the summer, and the majority of the work is July through August, so this is a plus! Also, this is much more similar to my friend's schedules.

Winter break is too long, but not long enough that students can do internships or research. As a side effect, the summers (when these activities would be done) are made shorter, which can put time pressure on the length of such internships.

Longer summers, which is better for jobs/internships which extend to the end of August. Also, the later start and longer time until Christmas better matches many other schools.

I don't need us to start later but everything else works.

I am in favor of a longer summer break and shorter exam period/winter break.

I believe that this is the most efficient calendar for the Fall semester. It retains both Fall and Thanksgiving break which are needed. There is not excess time for each break and it balances out the calendar. It also is the same as many peer institutions so it helps us coordinate breaks with our siblings.

All we effectively do is push the academic semester back a week, but that week can make a big difference in the summer vs. the winter.

Longer summer break, shorter winter break than current

Starting later allows me to finish internships that may run later into the summer.

Cornell starts much earlier than other schools in the NE. With internships, students have very little time off for a true "break" in the summer by starting in mid-August.

Longer summers would be a very nice option, and the Study period right now is longer than is really needed. Although, if a break would need to be reduced, class on Labor Day would be much better than a short Fall Break. Labor day off seemed like a waste since classes didn't assign much before.

I'd love to see additional days added in the week of Aug. 21 to make O-week a week again because I don't think orientation is long enough.

My largest issue with the current schedule is the length of the study period. I am happy to see it is being shortened. Additionally, we do start early, especially with the popularity of pre-orientation trips, the longer summer will help upperclassmen in internships still be able to lead these trips.

i would rather be home for longer during the summer

The main reason I think the new framework is an improvement is because the week between Thanksgiving and finals is really useless. Two weeks is much more appropriate, and the end of finals week is still at an appropriate time (finals ended very early F16).

Starts later, but still too early. Starting after Labor Day would be fine. The current 13 week summer is too short. Many internships last for 12 weeks, which gives students no time off during the summer when considering travel time.

Fixes extremely short summer. I'd prefer Labor Day classes to a shortened fall break

More time in the summer for internships

With the current academic calendar, the winter break is much too long.

I agree that our summer break is too short and think our winter break is unnecessarily long. I think having only one week of class after Thanksgiving is bad because all of our projects are due in that last week, making Thanksgiving break effectively not a real break. I don't think we need labor day off given we've had so little class and don't need a break yet.

Longer summer with minimal sacrifices. I like the shorter exam period.

Summer Internship dates are extremely tight at the moment and I feel it would be beneficial to have a longer summer break

Allows for more time for internships

Summer opportunities in CA run later

It lengthens the summer slightly and doesn't come too close to religious holidays in December

More time between Thanksgiving break and winter break really helps out those who fly home so we don't feel like we're just flying back and forth. Also, more schools start early September and end later into the winter.

It adds more meaning to classes between Thanksgiving and winter break, which were previously difficult to plan, in terms of covering material before the final. It lengthens the summer and shortens the overly-long winter break.

F1 shortens the exam period and increases the value of the last few days of class, both of which I like.

Makes summer break longer and winter break shorter. Also gives more relevance to days immediately before and after Thanksgiving. Also keeps a weekend orientation.

Because we start later in August

As said in the "Motivators" section, the current summer is way too short.

Longer summer; more time to spend on summer jobs and internships

Classes start too early in August.

Better use is made of classes after Thanksgiving break

New York State Fair is at the end of August.

We start school very early compared to many schools.

Better allocation of time after thanksgiving

More classes after Thanksgiving makes sense. This schedule also better aligns with those of other universities.

Many internships or summer programs run into August times.

Many internships last very long so it would be better if students had more free time in the summer. Winter break is unnecessarily long.

I have an internship in the summer, and with the F1 Calendar, I can go home after the internship ends and before school starts.

I would like to have a longer summer break, and there is not enough time after thanksgiving break to get everything done before the end of the year.

Shorter study period and final exam period.

follows structure of most other colleges, makes internships easier

I think the start and end dates are better placed in F1. I would prefer the variation with a 12 day study/exam period and classes on labor day

More summer

The longer study period is useful. I don't see how the last 7 class days have diminished value in this model

It allows for an extra week of summer, which is more useful than an extra week of winter break.

Better for internships to start a week later, along with better weather

Starting earlier is better

Will help students get internships-- longer summer

A little more summer time is more valuable to me than getting home earlier on Winter Break. I agree fall break works. I think an improvement would be thanksgiving break being a day longer, for travel to farther places like West Coast.

Need longer summer for internships

the shorter final exam schedule is ideal and the later semester start is nice

Each year, I have had to stop my jobs short because of the early school schedule. Other schools start later because of this, and Cornell needs to act like the modern-day university it is.

I would like to have a longer summer and shorter winter break

I would rather have a longer summer break than a longer winter break just to align with other universities. My friends all left for college a week earlier than me during winter break.

The fall semester doesn't need to start so early.

Shorter final exam period

Reduce exam week; longer summer

longer summer break, still keeps 2 breaks for fall semester,

Longer summer is better for internships, extra class days after break before finals are good

Longer Summer is preferably to a longer winter break

Lengthens summer, brings the end more in alignment with other schools, internships, etc

More summer > more winter

Longer Summer

Even though we'd end later, I'd rather starting sooner.

Shorter exam period

Winter Break begins earlier.

The later start date makes it easier for students returning from internships to make it back to Ithaca in time for the start of classes. Last year, I had to fly back home from Switzerland on a Sunday, repack all of my things and drive to Ithaca on a Monday, and start classes the next day on a Tuesday. It was an undesirable situation which is a little too common among Cornell students.

Longer summer allows more internship/job opportunities. Winter is way too long for a break (everyone else has left to college) and way too short for actual intern/externships.

Classes start later

Increased time in the summer is more useful for internships/vacation time than a few days in December

There is more time after thanksgiving break to review material and get back in the swing of schoolwork and there is a longer summer break.

I like having more class days after thanksgiving break, rather than taking 5 days off (including going home), only to come back and finish with a flurry of final projects and in-class finals, then moving right on to study break for finals. I think this effectively lengthens the summer while not making any other potentially contentious changes. This is the conservative choice (it still works though).

The current study/exam period seems very long. It would be nice to work an extra week in the summer. Winter break seemed very long so I don't mind going later into December.

I like the extended summer, however I feel that shortening the exam period will lead to more exam conflicts and more stress for students. I am a fan of having classes on Labor Day, but not of shortening Fall Break.

Makes the Cornell school calendar more in line with that of other schools. Also extends Summer Break - allowing more time for internships and general summer activities.

Better to start class in later august, current schedule starts too early.

It makes the summer longer. I am struggling to find a job for the summers and being available longer will help with these employment options

More time for summer break (helps with internships and family plans), cuts down excessively long winter break.

Aligns better with other schools

I definitely like starting and ending later. We start really early and this is a better schedule. I agree that we should cut the study time and make the final schedule that suggested length.

Have more time at the end of summer

Summer break more productive than winter

"Study days" are unnecessarily long, summer vacation is indeed too short

Later start time.

The last week of classes immediately after Thanksgiving just doesn't make sense.

Winter break is excessively long. So long as I am home for the holidays I am content to shorten it slightly to reduce the length of winter break. It also extends summer break giving us time to enjoy the nice weather more.

I think that Winter break is already so long compared to other schools, that going home a week later in the winter but getting an extra week of summer would be worth it.

I do believe that having extra days of instruction after Thanksgiving break is helpful. I also believe that delaying the start of the school semester to have a longer summer is a good improvement.

Winter break does not need to start so early. Most people would benefit from having more time to get back to school after the summer and internships are over.

First week is a full week

I like the shortened study period.

keeps the breaks but just shifts the days which helps

I would rather have more time not on campus in the summer than in the winter.

I like getting out later in December because those few extra days in December don't make much difference / don't have much point at home...while a few extra days of summer is always nice.

The fall semester should certainly start later, this is a good choice.

Makes the summer longer for students to take a breath after internships, fall break is not very necessary, one day is enough, but should keep labor day off!

The semester starts too early, meaning a lot of students don't get a good break between summer obligations and the start of the semester. Also, the final exam period should definitely be shortened.

I like that finals are not so immediate after we come back from Thanksgiving break - a lot of times because finals are so quickly after, then teachers assign project due the last week of classes so there may be work that needs to be completed over that break. I like that the summer is longer, especially for those with internships that end the first week of August, we have more time at home.

We dont need that super super long study time

Preserving the length of the February and Thanksgiving breaks is great. December exam days allow for too great a distribution of exam dates and simply prolongs the process.

The F1 calendar is an improvements because it spreads the breaks out more evenly throughout the semester and allows greater study time for finals with a break that is earlier into the semester. Also the an extra week in the beginning of the summer allows for students to finish their internships and have some time at home rather than go

straight to school after an internship.

Longer summer

Later start and reduced exam period

4 days after thxgiving break always seemed a waste and starting time for the school year means often only one week between internship end dates, if that. new schedule could remedy both

Better to have longer summer. Not a big deal staying in Ithaca closer to Christmas holiday.

Summer internships are usually on a tight schedule. This past summer i had to actually cut my internship short and go straight from ending my internship on a Friday to starting the first day of class the following week.

I feel our school starts very early in comparison to other schools. Similarly, we don't need to end our winter break so early

I really agree with making the summer longer, the only issue is then finals can cut very close to the holidays.

Enables longer spans at summer jobs. My organization also attends an event that falls durring current Orientation period; moving the calendar later would enable incoming freshmen to participate.

Start school later = can work for longer at internship

Better start date, exam period makes more sense

All of the considerations made make sense. Worst case scenario students would not leave until Dec 20th, which means that there is a fair amount of time for them to get home before Christmas (assuming they celebrate Christmas). Additionally a longer summer is better for internships, and the shorter exam period allows students to complete their exams without extended stress.

I prefer the later start to the school year.

Longer summer, lets you finish summer internships/work.

Although it increases the time for Summer (good for internships), it reduces the time international students have to be home for winter break. Even so, I believe that it's a good idea, and 3 days less at home doesn't affect drastically than 3 days more for internships do.

Starting orientation later is always good. Also love the shorter exam period

More summmmmmmer:)

Having one extra week after thanksgiving break seems better and school starting later gives me nearly the entire August to spend time with friends whose school usually start in Sept.

The study period is too long.

We already have too long of a Winter Break and the summer is very short - some organizations require members to come back early for training, etc. so some people don't even have the option to return to campus as late as the first day of classes...effectively, they have to be back up to a full week before the official start date, so a longer summer makes sense.

I do not like the variations--those break days are vital to student sanity--but the F1 framework as shown is good.

The study/exam period should be shorter to extend the summer. The 3 day Thanksgiving break does not work for students from farther away. It makes it impossible for those students to go home.

More summer is a great idea for people doing internships.

Maybe it's a good idea to increase the length of summer break.

Starting earlier would let us end earlier.

I agree with F1 motivators. Summer is too short and the study period could be a little shorter so we can start having exams earlier. I would disagree with reducing fall break to one day though.

It makes sense to have more class days after thanksgiving break and a shorter exam period

I like that the school starts later because I'll have more time to do intern during the break, I hope the study period is longer, but if we have to make it shorter it's fine

more reasonable exam period. Only one week should be needed.

We start way before anyone else does and this gives us some more time and summer and makes the week after thanksgiving meaningful.

I like the arguments proposed by the motivators

Longer summer is good, plus it doesn't affect when we get out for winter break by that much.

longer summer break, shorter winter break

Pushing the semester back a few days is nice

I like the class starts later, it really makes it easier for internships and fellowships in the summer for students who want to pursue them. In addition, the study days and exam schedule makes much more sense.

Longer summer is great

exam/study period is actually long, school starts very early

Longer summer and doesn't really alter winter plans that much

Reduces the too long finals period and seems like it might make it easier for students to get internships that end later.

I prefer summer break days over winter break days

We have more days after thanksgiving, which are often stressful. We start later so we have a longer summer.