

F2UgradAgree

I like how thanksgiving is a week. however, I would rather not move the august days to december, and instead leave them in august.

A week long Thanksgiving break is important as well as having 9 days after Thanksgiving. However, late exam days could still be difficult for instructors of large classes.

SHORTEN (OR ELIMINATE, EVEN BETTER) THE STUDY PERIOD! Personally, these are wasted days when I could be taking my exams and getting the heck out of here for break.

Thanksgiving break is longer which allows student from far away to go home for the holiday.

I love thanksgiving

Longer thanksgiving is good. Many kids miss class as it is before this break

This is better than F1 and the current system because I think the thanksgiving break should be longer at the expense of the study period.

I like F2 because its a relatively minor shift in making the semester start/end later, but also we need a Thanksgiving break analogous to other schools so that people can travel farther and spend more time with family (especially if they're in other unis too)

- it makes going home for Thanksgiving break worth it

This schedule is nice because you have extra time at thanksgiving and orientation is moved back a few days, but possibly having exams until December 22 is very close to christmas

The week long thanksgiving break is great

Longer Thanksgiving Break allows people who live farther away (I'm from California) to return home for Thanksgiving!!

this lets us keep both breaks but moves our semesters in line with peers

I like the longer thanksgiving break and the start/end dates better

Later August start day that is more consistent with other colleges

This is an improvement because it starts school later and adds to Thanksgiving break. However, I believe that weekend orientation days are just as effective as weekday orientation days.

Thanksgiving break long - can travel

I would love to have a 5-day break for Thanksgiving.

A longer Thanksgiving break and weekday orientations would give students more time to adjust to changing situations.

I would love having a longer Thanksgiving break because this gives me a chance to come home.

A full week off for Thanksgiving break is very nice and needed at that point in the year so F2 seems good.

A longer thanksgiving break will reduce the amount of stress at the end of the semester because students will have had a more relaxing break shortly before finals.

Once again it would allow students a break between internships and the start of school at the expense of only a couple study days

Having a shortened first week is very good to not be too busy by the beginning of the school year. Further, having a longer Thanksgiving break is a very excellent idea to reduce anxiety and stress as exams approach.

I like the full week for Thanksgiving break

I agree, but it depends on the year. I like the years where CDS is 7-1-24-2-28-5-9 a more balanced schedule than the current calendar. I dislike years with a CDS of 2-1-29-2-28-5-9 because I think the labor day break is too early. I also disagree with F2 Motivators 4, 5, and 6. I do not think a three day Thanksgiving break adds any sort of anxiety to the end of the semester (it actually the opposite - a good way to relax before studying/exams) and I liked having weekend orientation days. As for 6 a change from 13 to 12 isn't that big in terms of length of the study period and I prefer the extra study day so, if anything, would want our peers to add it (but that's up to them).

I really like that Thanksgiving break is a full 5 days. That would really help reduce stress and allow me to spend time with my family that I don't get to see as much. I think that this is a better change than the other option for the fall calendar.

It is hard for students to travel home for thanksgiving with the current schedule and Having the whole week would be a lot easier. Also orientation was stressful with no break between orientation and starting classes.

It would greatly improve my end-of-term anxiety and allow me to spend time with my family with an ease of mind.

Longer thanksgiving break is good

I like that there are more weeks after the Thanksgiving Break, so classes during those two weeks will have more value than if there was only one week between the Thanksgiving and study breaks. Also, just like the F1 schedule, the exam period is only shorter by a day, so it still gives a reasonable window of time to space out exams. However, it does have Sunday as a testing day, which could be problematic for religious reasons.

Thanksgiving break is currently too short!

Longer Thanksgiving break is better, but I don't have very many thoughts on weekday vs weekend orientation

I think thanksgiving break shouldn't that long, maybe just four days. Personally, as a freshman, I wish orientation was a bit longer with more events so maybe have four orientation days from sunday to wednesday.

While this schedule might go too long into December, having a longer summer break is nice. However extending the Fall semester into December and beginning the Spring semester earlier in January might make the winter break too short, as at least 3-4 weeks should be the minimum amount of time off to allow students to unwind and reenergize for the Spring semester. Having a week long thanksgiving break also improves the calendar.

The one-week Thanksgiving Break is an improvement over the 3-day break - it gives students time to relax, and students from outside the East Coast have time to visit their families. There's also more time between break and exam period, which reduces stress and adds value to the last few instructional days. Starting classes later makes it easier for students to obtain internships that may end in late August.

The days added to Thanksgiving break are good

Allows kids who live far a chance to go home for thanksgiving

I like the changes made to this schedule but I'm still unsure about the December 22nd exams because of students having travel issues before Christmas.

For people who live far away, flying home for a 3-day Thanksgiving break doesn't make sense. A week for Thanksgiving break allows people enough time to fly home to see family.

Need a longer Thanksgiving break!!!

longer thanksgiving break, having a 12 day exam period by moving up orientation to start on the weekend is also extremely convenient

I like the longer thanksgiving break and weekday orientation

Later start to school. See previous.

Longer thanksgiving break. Disagree with later ending point. More expensive flights.

Longer summer is much better from an internship/job standpoint

having move in day on a weekend makes it easier for parents who work to drop off their kids.

Full thanksgiving break

Thanksgiving break is long enough for people who live far away to travel home for the holiday.

Close to F1, but simpler

less stressful

The current five day Thanksgiving break is too short and can be stressful for students traveling long distances home.

I like the full week for thanksgiving as for students who have to travel far, this is a much more adequate time to be with family. Again, I liked the shorted exam study period and the later start to the semester.

I like the week break for Thanksgiving and the later orientation start.

study break doesn't need to be that long

A week-long Thanksgiving break is beneficial to those students (such as myself) who live in the Midwest/ South/ and West who drove home instead of flying/ taking the train.

Having more time off for Thanksgiving break is better than having those days for winter vacation. No other colleges get out as early as we do, so having a longer break during Thanksgiving is better.

Allows out of state students more thanksgiving time, and normalizes break schedules to those of our peers at other institutions.

This way I can go home for Thanksgiving; I prefer F2 variation moving a day to August.

The longer Thanksgiving break encourages us to actually go home and spend the holiday with our family. I actually prefer this over F1 for this reason alone.

8 day Thanksgiving break allows those from far away to make better financial use (dollars spent on travel/time at home) of their Thanksgiving break if they go; it also improves the class schedule for prefinals classes

Better opportunity for those who live far away from Cornell to come back home and regroup before heading into finals

Best spacing of breaks !

This is better. Having orientation the weekend before school is a very stressful experience for a freshman. Also, it is always nice to have breaks during school. The longer thanksgiving break will ensure more productivity when we get back! This is a healthier model for sure! F2 for the win.

Adding extra days to thanksgiving break allows for travel days. Before, most of thanksgiving break would be lost to travel for those out of state. It also doesn't affect the start and end dates too heavily.

Summer a tad longer for internships, full thanksgiving break really helps west coasters-and international students have a worthwhile chance to go home

The proposed semester does not end that much later than the current one, and it provides time between the first day of some classes and the next to finalize schedules and go over class requirements. The week-long Thanksgiving break is an improvement on the previous version.

Allows for a slightly longer summer break, I prefer the F1 framework though.

The full week off for thanksgiving is good. I would rather go 2 days in August though than 2 days in December.

Longer summer; shorter exam week

Winter break doesnt need to be too long

While I still do not support increasing the longer break at the expense of the shorter one, I really like redistributing days to make Thanksgiving Break longer. I also support the all-weekday orientation. However, I still feel the shorter exam period will cause more conflicts.

Classes start later and theres a full week off for thanksgiving

With a week long Thanksgiving break, students will be able to travel home and spend the holiday with their families

It'd be nice to have more time off for Thanksgiving, but I still don't like the reduced study period.

Less class time sounds good to me

As someone who lives in a western state, a 3 day thanksgiving break doesn't give me enough time to get home to spend the holiday with my family. A week break for thanksgiving would give me enough time to see my family for the holiday

I like the longer Thanksgiving break a lot. I don't care when orientation is.

Thanksgiving break is more reasonable. Having classes for two days and then have break kind of "break up" the week, not good for schedule

I like the longer Thanksgiving Break and shorter study period.

a longer thanksgiving break reduces stress before finals

I still don't like pushing days from August into December, but I really like making Thanksgiving break a week. For those of us not from the Northeast and can be very stressful, time consuming, and expensive to make a trip all the way home for only five days, but the full week solves that issue.

It's great. 100% for F2-- in my opinion it combines the most "wins". Good job, calendar committee!

I like the longer summer and the shorter final exam period, in addition to the longer thanksgiving break. However, I liked the weekend orientation days. I think that they're beneficial.

As a freshman, I would have loved an extra week to adjust to Cornell. Additionally, the long thanksgiving break provides extra time at home before exams begin.

More break allows more people to go home and see family

I like the longer Thanksgiving break. Still we get out too late. The last day of classes should not be later than the 16th.

I prefer the later start.

Orientation over the weekend is ineffective and a longer Thanksgiving break allows people who live far away to actually spend time for family.

Yes, little bit more summer is good, and more thanksgiving break is great. It's so short the way it is that you don't want to waste any break doing work, then the next week back is so rough

Having an entire week off for thanksgiving makes travelling significantly easier.

I like the idea of having a longer Thanksgiving break.

The Thanksgiving break/Shortening of exam period

Longer Thanksgiving break

Longer thanksgiving break is a good trade for pushing exam periods back

I would very much like having a full week for Thanksgiving.

Better than F1, longer thanksgiving is nice, maybe not completely necessary, but start time/ orientation makes a lot of sense

I like the full week for Thanksgiving Break. And the exam and study period is really nice and makes more sense. I also really like the weekday orientation, that makes much more sense. I like it better than F1.

Longer thanksgiving break and later August start is good

I agree summer is too short and thanksgiving should be longer. The study period is too long. Orientation shouldn't be so long.

Longer breaks make it feasible to go home and exam periods are way too long

F2 better than F1

Could be good to have a week off for Thanksgiving so students who live far away can go home for the holiday.

The first two days before Thanksgiving break is always an awkward time anyway so it is better to just have the entire week off.

Students would welcome a long Thanksgiving break and also that move-in days would be a few days later. Having move-in on a weekend would also ensure more parents are able to move in their children.

love long thanksgiving break

Allows those who live farther to travel home

A full break is something that could be considered welcomed to the fall semester

I like the longer thanksgiving break

It is nice to have an entire week for Thanksgiving break

I like this better than F1 because school isn't starting as late as September. I also believe Thanksgiving break should be longer, taking into consideration students who live out of state. I personally never get the opportunity to go home for that holiday because of its short duration. I am also fine with a shorter exam study period.

Much more reasonable to change the calendar that would have a significantly positive impact on student mental health and wellness. Orientation is a blur anyways, so one day change to that wouldn't greatly impact student life. Further comments please contact me at cfl43@cornell.edu.

I really really like this one! Many of our peers get a full week off for Thanksgiving break, and this would allow more people to travel home

I like a longer Thanksgiving break to have time at home.

Agree with everything except ending later in December. If end Dec 22, flight prices will be very high.

I enjoy having long breaks, especially around a holiday (in this case, Thanksgiving). Also, having almost 2 weeks of class time before finals allows students more time to get re-adjusted with being back on campus, and may reduce the work-load of students who are assigned projects, papers, etc. that are due between the end of break and before finals.

While I still oppose moving school days from August to December, I do endorse a longer Thanksgiving break since it gives us more time to spend with family/friends. Currently, I am unable to go home to Florida to see my parents for Thanksgiving break because it is difficult to justify the travel costs and time in relation to the amount of time I would spend at home. So I think a longer Thanksgiving break would remedy this problem for myself and many other students in similar situations.

I like the longer thanksgiving break.

Thanksgiving break is longer

I like that our exam period is shorter and our summer is longer. I like that Thanksgiving break is a week; it is a nice rest period before the last few weeks of class and we get to see our families for a longer time.

this is perfect

Extending Thanksgiving break allows people to spend more time with family and friends and allows traveling to see family without it being too short to justify. This is a great option and.

I like that Thanksgiving break would be made a full week

still like the idea of classes starting later

Same reasons as F1, but weekend orientation works, so F1 is preferable .

I like how thanksgiving break is now long. I know many students who don't go home this break because it is not worth the time, so this helps a lot.

This is better than F1. It seems like an improvement on the current one because of the shorter study period/longer study break, but the format in which the calendars are presented could be more clear.

More Thanksgiving break and classes after break decreases stress for students to study during holiday

I like how school starts a bit later and how exam period is shortened but I don't like how winter break starts later.

I like a long Thanksgiving Break

Longer Thanksgiving break is great because that means I can spend more time with family instead of constantly studying. I don't really enjoy ending Finals week on Dec 22nd (3 days before Christmas). I'm worried that a lot of families might be traveling on Dec 23rd, so it will be hard to back home.

Addresses many of the concerns I had about Thanksgiving break and gives us a long summer as well.

Best one I've seen yet, for the same reasons I mentioned for F1, but with a longer Thanksgiving break.

lengthens the summer, shortens winter break, not sure how I feel about the very long thanksgiving break

More time at Thanksgiving would be amazing!

moar brake 24 hrs periods in turkey week yay!!!!

I like the idea of having a longer Thanksgiving Break. Doing so will mollify the possible negative effects of shortening the finals study period by allowing students extra time to study in November before classes end. My only concern is that lengthening the summer will pose problems for students who are staying for the summer and need to find housing that will cover the entire period between when the residence halls close in the spring and then they open again in the fall, because even a two-day absence of housing can be extremely problematic.

I like the longer Thanksgiving break.

3-day Thanksgiving break is too short.

A longer thanksgiving would be great

This is even better than F1!, Having a longer Thanksgiving break would be great for ppl who live in the northeast, but if you don't it could be used as a mini-vacation with other people who live far away. Go to PR or Canada or NYC..idk

Shorter exam period is fine.

I support longer summer, longer Thanksgiving, shorter exam study period

The week after the current Thanksgiving break is pointless

A longer Thanksgiving break will be helpful to students.

I think a longer thanksgiving break works as a study period as well.

With a thanksgiving break, the days prior (Monday and Tuesday) are full of people skipping to go home early. This is a good plan and promotes more academic productivity

Full week break for thanksgiving is nice.

I like that thanksgiving break is longer.

We won't have projects/essays due right after coming back from Thanksgiving Break if we have two weeks between break and exams.

By giving students 5 days for Thanksgiving break, it helps reduce the anxiety of coming back right away to do exams. Additionally, professors will still have more days to wrap up their lessons

The summer and thanksgiving breaks are longer. Particularly for students who live far from Cornell, the longer Thanksgiving means it's easier--or possible-- to get home

Longer thanksgiving break would be nice

The longer break before exams has the potential to increase final exam performance. 1. For students who do stay within Ithaca, they have more time to study material from classes and complete projects or work given to them in a more organized, stress free, fashion. 2. For students who leave campus, this extended break will be a great opportunity to relieve stress and clear their minds. In extension, they will be prepared for the final weeks in the semester and finish stronger.

While I still like having days off in December, the full week for thanksgiving is very good.

The week long thanksgiving break is considerate towards people who have to travel far.

I would like to finish earlier. Having an entire week off for Thanksgiving would allow me to travel home (West Coast) rather than stay at Cornell

Give more time for students to travel for thanksgiving!

More class time after Thanksgiving break allows for more productivity.

The current calendar has a really early beginning of the semester. I think that summer break should be longer and winter should be shortened

The full-week break is worth the trade-off of going back home later because we have a long winter break anyway.

Longer thanksgiving

I really like this option because it's very costly to go home during Thanksgiving, and the weeklong break makes it a lot more worthwhile.

I like the longer thanksgiving break

The longer thanksgiving break would be very beneficial

Longer Thanksgiving break.

Weekday orientation seems like a good idea

Having a week of Thanksgiving break would be really helpful for kids traveling. I think it's really beneficial to keep Fall Break as a 4-day weekend. Moving the start day later in August would be better.

I like the idea of a full week off for Thanksgiving, I think it will help people who live far away be able to go home and spend time with family.

I like the whole week off for Thanksgiving break. I think it gives more students the opportunity to leave campus and either go home or spend time with friends and relax before the exam period. The current break is too short to be relaxing.

Thanksgiving break should be a week so people who live far away can travel home.

This is very good. This is the best.

Longer thanksgiving lets those travel far to see home. Compacting time nicely too

I think I would enjoy the longer thanksgiving break, but the exams go too close to Christmas.

I like having a week for thanksgiving off

It makes it better because quite a few students skip the Monday and Tuesday before Thanksgiving break and this also gives other students more time to get home.

One week thanksgiving is perfect. Normally I can't go home to California because it's not worth spending 2 days of travel and \$800 for 2 days of seeing relatives. 1 week makes it worthwhile.

5-day Thanksgiving break is very beneficial for students, and the added class days afterwards make those class days more valuable.

Lengthens summer break and shortens winter break. Thanksgiving break is longer, but last 9 classes are still relevant. Allows for some review of material during Thanksgiving but there's still enough time after that the break doesn't become stressful. Also, 2 days of class and then a weekend is a nice way to ease into the semester. Labor Day holiday also doesn't break the flow as much.

Thanksgiving break is longer and we do not need a two week exam period.

Starting later in the fall term is better because we come back so early and go home so early otherwise

Thanksgiving break is a feasible length to travel home if wanted.

i am willing to stay at school longer if it means i can have the entire week of thanksgiving off

I like the shift to starting/ending later.

I see no reason why a weekend orientation is less effective than a weekday orientation--reasons for this should perhaps be more clearly communicated (either way, our orientation already feels much less needed than the orientation for other schools, since it blends right into the start of the semester). I heartily agree with a week-long Thanksgiving break--makes travel less hectic and gives people more of a rest.

Nice to have a longer thanksgiving break and shorter study/exam period.

Students who live outside of New York can return home for Thanksgiving and have the plane trip be worth it. The shortened study/exam period is good.

I like that there is less impact to winter break, while also extending summer break and thanksgiving break.

Most students leave early for break anyway.

Nice to have all of Thanksgiving week off.

Allows people that live relatively far from campus to travel home for Thanksgiving Break and enjoy time with their families.

It adds more days for thanksgiving break, which has always seemed short.

Thanksgiving break is usually too short and ends up being mostly doing work

Week long thanksgiving break will allow more students to travel home and have the opportunity to de-stress before finals.

A week off for Thanksgiving break would be fantastic because it's really hard to go home when you live across the country for only a few days. You have two days of travel currently and only three days to relax, and then you come back and are currently launched right into finals. The full week off and then eight-nine class days after is just enough of a transition.

While ending later in December is not ideal, having a longer Thanksgiving break, as well as all weekday orientation days, makes more sense than shortening Fall break.

Shorter exam period

Good compromise

This improvement is better than that of the F1 Framework. I agree that the exam period oughta be shortened so students can end the semester sooner. It would be great to have 2 extra days added to Thanksgiving break as most end of the semester assignments are due in the days immediately following that break. Moving 4 class days to

December would feel like too many; starting a week later in August is fine, but as a student, I would rather be home a couple days before Christmas. I do not mind starting one week later/several days later in August though.

Again, pushing winter break back increases costs of returning home for students that fly, but this schedule gains slightly more by extending Thanksgiving break so fall and spring semesters are a little more equal. Also, by pushing the start of orientation one day forward we can retain the longer study period.

Better break for thanksgiving. If we could actually enforce no work over breaks that would be nice.

Need longer break

I really like this, and I like it better than the F1 framework. I would rather start two days later and have orientation longer as well as Thanksgiving break longer. Often, thanksgiving does not feel like a satisfying break. Like the F1, I like this finals schedule much better.

This one would be the best Fall option. I like the full week off for thanksgiving to travel

I think a week-long Thanksgiving Break is justification for ending the break a little later.

I like having a week off

Need extended Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving break should definitely be longer. Study break should be shorter, it's too long right now.

Nice to go home

I like the shorter exam period and the longer Thanksgiving break

great for people who live away and can go home for thanksgiving break

I like the idea of making thanksgiving break longer. A lot of people aren't able to go home because it is so short, despite that thanksgiving is a time to spend with family.

A longer thanksgiving break is exactly what we need to actually give students the chance to escape the pressures of Ithaca if they live too far away!

I really like the week-long Thanksgiving break idea!

Lengthens summer and thanksgiving break

Longer Thanksgiving!!!

I could go home for thanksgiving

There are no drastic positive changes other than thanksgiving break being a full week which is nice and allows for travel and more time at home with family. Also the almost two week period after this break is great to have for students to study more and have that time to prepare for their final exams.

I would rather have orientation during a weekday and Thanksgiving break for the whole week. A lot of professors assign a lot of work over Thanksgiving break regardless of the policy. This would also allow a lot of people who live further to enjoy Thanksgiving.

In general, we don't need to start school so early

I like that summer and thanksgiving breaks are extended.

More time to travel over Thanksgiving, allows for later-running summer jobs.

Thanksgiving break is longer, but I still think the weekend orientation is important

Start school later = can work for longer at internship

A longer Thanksgiving Break is nice.

The longer Thanksgiving break would be amazing to allow people who live further away to travel home.

Really like the idea of a week off for thanksgiving. But would prefer school starting earlier (Aug 21) and ending a few days sooner.

The longer Thanksgiving is nice as is the shorter study period

Having a long Thanksgiving break is nice

A week for thanksgiving makes more sense since most students skip class that monday and tuesday anyways

Longer time for Thanksgiving

I like the added days to thanksgiving break

I like the longer break before finals.

Again. Pushing the semester back a day or so is nice

I like the idea of a longer Thanksgiving break.

I believe having a 5 day thanksgiving break is a must. If nothing else changes, do that.

The increased thanksgiving break would be a major benefit.

it's good

Currently, with Thanksgiving break being only three days, it contributes to students' anxiety, particularly those who travel home for the holiday. The week off for Thanksgiving would decrease student anxiety before finals by allowing them time to relax, catch up on assignments, or begin studying for finals.

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. The F2 framework is even better than the F1 framework because Thanksgiving break always feels too short. The longer Thanksgiving break would especially help students who live far away from school, given that they either barely have time with their families or cannot even return home.

I like the longer thanksgiving break. If we move to this system though, professors must be mandated or at least STRONGLY ENCOURAGED to NOT assign work over the thanksgiving break. Tell the professors that they have extra days after thanksgiving break to schedule the work. Also I prefer the last exam date be earlier rather than later. ALSO I do think it is important to have a study day in between exam days

I think thanksgiving break is currently too short.

Having a week off for Thanksgiving makes traveling/spending time with family much better. Having almost of two weeks of classes after thanksgiving is really nice so those last few days of class don't feel that ridiculous. I don't mind ending later if we get that week for thanksgiving.

The long Thanksgiving break makes up for getting home so late, but I don't think that Orientation should be moved. It's already too short and overwhelming as it is; making it happen even more on top of everything would be detrimental.

Thanksgiving should be a full week off.

The longer Thanksgiving break is njce.

I like the longer Thanksgiving break

This alternative is better than the current schedule because it gives people more/easier travel time over Thanksgiving break, but I still do not appreciate the Dec 22 final exam day. I don't believe there should be class past December 20th.

As stated before, short summers make work and going home difficult to balance for those that do not live on the east coast. Same goes for thanksgiving. Cornell has many students from all over the world that should be able to go home for this holiday

It's nice for the year to start later. I'm still not sure about having 7 exam days in a row (I once had 5 exams over 5 days, it was not fun) and having fall recognition occur during the exam period, and/or on an exam day, seems like it may be particularly hard on those graduating (especially if they have friends who may want to attend!). BUT this does get rid of the weirdness of having two class days before Thanksgiving break (which many people skip anyway) and the weirdness of the week just after Thanksgiving break that everybody's restless at because they just came back from break, before going back to having no classes to study for exams.

Longer Thanksgiving Break and more class days between Thanksgiving Break and exams will help decrease stress

While the late ending may be an issue, having a full week off for thanksgiving break would certainly be an improvement, and would make up for the later finish

Longer thanksgiving

Again, starting later in August is beneficial when trying to get internships and jobs. Additionally, I have friends who live further away and the extra day for Thanksgiving break would greatly benefit them. They are unable to go home otherwise.

I like the weeklong thanksgiving, especially for students on the west coast where traveling takes a full day. Many students will even skip classes on Monday or Tuesday of thanksgiving for this reason.

Allows more time for travel during thanksgiving

Longer Thanksgiving break

A long thanksgiving break would be awesome!

Having a full week for Thanksgiving break in the fall semester is nice because it mirrors the full week for spring break in the spring semester.

I like that Thanksgiving break is longer. However, I feel that moving one class day back to the beginning of the year would be helpful. I don't think it would greatly affect the orientation events to have the first day on a Sunday and move in on Saturday

The five-day break for thanksgiving would be absolutely excellent for students who live outside of the new york area. Currently Cornell functions as though everyone lives with in a 4 hour drive of school, which is simply not true. For the many who need to fly to and from school this would be a great benefit. Also, orientation schedule fixes problem of having to move in/ orientation during a weekday and "losing that week," particularly for older students who often arrive before the freshman.

Some people only save up to go home for Thanksgiving during the fall, so this gives them more time at home. PLUS there's more than two weeks after that break.

Eliminates useless thanksgiving days, improves summer start

love longer thxgiving break !

Having a longer Thanksgiving break would be amazing and would greatly improve my money and time spent getting home for it. It would also be way less stress and help alleviate the shorter exam period. I don't like F1 combining the 3 day thanksgiving with shorter exam period but I'm okay with this yes yes yes. I'm okay with a later winter break start if I have a longer Thanksgiving. I also don't mind the two day start of instruction shift though it's weird to have only two days in the first week but oh well!

I'd prefer the semester starting later. I prefer F1 more though.

Having the entire week for Thanksgiving would be extremely beneficial to students because it's adequate time to travel

Shorter exam period and longer thanksgiving break would be ideal!! Being from far out-of-state this would let me go home for thanksgiving and be with my family

I highly agree with making Thanksgiving break a full week

I like the idea of having a longer Thanksgiving break to make travel home easier.

It allows students/faculty more ability to travel for the Thanksgiving holiday

This works because it makes Thanksgiving break more meaningful for everyone, and allows students and faculty enough time afterwards to catch up and get into the flow of things before finals come around. This way, professors are also not forced to assign homework and projects over Thanksgiving break.

Increasing Thanksgiving Break is fun.

longer thanksgiving break

It's nice to have a longer Thanksgiving while not eating into Labor Day or other breaks

F2 gives students a longer Thanksgiving break, which makes the cost of the trip to go back home worth it for many students. Additionally, some summer internships end later so starting school later is a good move.

Adding two days to thanksgiving break is good, good balance of moving two august class days to december

This is perfect. The extra time on Thanksgiving break gives students the option of studying for finals, and it makes sense to have an 11-day final exam period. Also, I believe that the study day in the middle is useless anyways, just because no one has 7 finals. Everyone gets days off anyway.

Extending Thanksgiving break is a wonderful idea.

I think we should get a week off for Thanksgiving

Starting later in August is better, but starting on a Thursday (instead of a Monday) still screws up sections. I think the full Thanksgiving break is a must (especially for long-distance and international students). Leaving campus by itself is a serious mental health benefit, and it isn't possible for students outside the tri-state area during a short break. I would be fine with a shortened "study" period if it were exactly that. Under the current long "study period" I have always been assigned more work or had work due. Multiple professors have scheduled prelims/quizzes/tests/final projects/research papers to be due during the "study" period, in addition to their own final exams. If we have a study period, students should be able to use it to study for exams.

Again, I like the idea of adding to summer and taking away from winter break. However, I don't really think a full week is necessarily needed for Thanksgiving. I love that break, but I've always found 3 days off to work fine.

a week long thanksgiving makes travel much more possible & this also allows for a longer summer

Weekend orientation days aren't very well attended, and pushing back the start date in the fall semester makes it more compatible with the our peers from other universities.

Thanksgiving break isn't too short currently but it's true that the next few days have little value. Adding an extra week of class would be good.

I agree, but I prefer the variation of this F2 plan.

I am in favor of the week long Thanksgiving break.

I support adding two days to thanksgiving break. An 11 day exam period is plenty considering some universities only schedule 3 consecutive days for finals.

More time for thanksgiving break

a week break is necessary for thanksgiving.

This isn't bad. I like having a week off for Thanksgiving, gives you more time to travel home. We still end early enough in December that we can enjoy it.

Making the Thanksgiving Break a full week would allow students enough time to rest up before finals so that they would be well prepared for the last few weeks of school. Also, having orientation on the weekend was kind of annoying. (Also, I know it is hard for some students' parents to drive their kids up on a Friday, so having move-in day on the weekend might not be a bad idea, though I would prefer it be on a Saturday.)

While my earlier concerns remain, having a full week for Thanksgiving is a huge improvement. I would keep the early August start and December end, though.

Having only two days of class the first week seems like nothing. You can't accomplish anything in two days, and there would be no reason for anyone to attend them, as most first class days are just for going over each syllabus and giving intro information anyway. The week long Thanksgiving with nearly two full weeks of classes after would be a definite improvement over having only one week. It's also annoying currently to leave for a short awkward break and then come back. This gives reasonable time for those who live far away to actually go home for this holiday

This one looks very good.

I like the idea of having a week long thanksgiving break and a shorter exam period.

Sounds better. Good weather and more time to enjoy breaks

I really like this academic calendar format. It is nice that students would only have to start off with 2 days of classes rather than 4 before the first weekend. I think this is especially good for freshmen to help ease the transition into Cornell more. Also, this final exam schedule is similar to that of F1, which was one of my favorite parts of F1. The week for Thanksgiving break is probably the best part of this version of the calendar. I know a lot of schools that give a full week for fall break (Columbus Day weekend), so to have it for Thanksgiving would make it a fuller break and really prepare us to finish the end of the semester. It would give people who live further away a better chance to go home too since it is a full week. I also like all the time that follows the break, similar to that of F1. Overall, I think this is a really good schedule.

Later start, shorter exam period, whole week for Thanksgiving (significant number of students leave Monday and Tuesday anyway)

I like this model, I think a longer thanksgiving break is needed to catch up on work and studies.

I really like this one, especially for the longer thanksgiving break and weekday orientation

The weeklong thanksgiving break is really nice. Inevitably, everyone has work over Thanksgiving break, which is understandable. However, having a significant chunk of work over such a short break is very hard, particularly for students who view Thanksgiving as their biggest family holiday or for who it is the only time of the year they see certain family members. By making the break a week, students can balance catching up on projects and spending time with family.

The long thanksgiving break is awesome!

Full week for Thanksgiving, a little later start

It lengthens the summer and adds value to the days after Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving is important to be with family and a lot of people don't because the break is too short

Longer Thanksgiving break would allow me to see my family.

I strongly agree with the longer thanksgiving break.

I like pushing the calendar forward a week, and the full week of thanksgiving break would be fantastic for studying. However, I don't like reducing finals week. I like the tests spread out.

I live far away - it would be nice to go home for an extended time.

I like the extended thanksgiving break. I also like the last start date for the semester.

This is so, so much better. Losing the extra study day is unfortunate, BUT the extra time around thanksgiving would be so valuable! I have to try to scramble to visit my family back in Texas every year for thanksgiving; this would make it so much easier to visit them.

Summer in Ithaca is enjoyable

Longer summer break, shorter winter break than current. All weekdays is not necessary though

Having longer at Thanksgiving is much nicer instead of rushing home for the holiday. It would be better to have move-in on the weekend to accommodate for parent's work schedules and I think orientation would be more productive on the weekdays.

I don't think it is as good of an alternative as F1

I like the entire week of thanksgiving break off.

Extended thanksgiving break, shortened exam period

Having a full week of Thanksgiving break is great.

It is better to have a longer thanksgiving break- that's what most of my friends have and it makes more sense. I like this better than F1.

Week long Thanksgiving Break, makes it symmetric with Spring.

I appreciate the two additional days to Thanksgiving break. I think it is a fair trade-off if students were to have their exams consolidated to 11 days instead of 13. In addition, the classes are not drastically delayed.

a full week for thanksgiving would be nice

Having a week off for Thanksgiving break provides time to prepare for finals. Also like the later start and end dates.

A whole week of Thanksgiving break is VITAL for people who live far away.

Like longer Thanksgiving break, can start August 22 which is great

This is even better than F1. Even though this doesn't make a large difference in terms of summer length, in my opinion it is the spring semester that acts the biggest issue here. The spring semester should DEFINITELY end earlier, as it always ends much later than other colleges and universities and cuts down on summer significantly. It's a good idea to add time to Thanksgiving break, because often the Monday and Tuesday of that week are useless, as professors know that many are traveling. And yes, its short amount of time DOES add anxiety, and often work is assigned over that short period of time, which should be spent spending time with family, etc.

I like the week long Thanksgiving break, but still am not in favor of going later in December.

I like this one a lot. Having a full week for Thanksgiving would be amazing especially because I have to sometimes travel far to see my family. Would prefer not to have exams end on the 22 right before Christmas (I could see a lot of people asking for earlier make up finals) but if we started at the earlier date I think this would be fine.

A week-long Thanksgiving break is welcomed.

I like that thanksgiving is a week long break.

I like the weeklong thanksgiving break.

I think the longer thanksgiving break is helpful. I would again choose the variation for longer study period

August class days to December makes sense to me. I like longer Thanksgiving break.

An extended thanksgiving break is important, and is utilized by many schools besides ours.

Orientation schedule is much better, full week Thanksgiving is excellent.

A full week off for thanksgiving is much better especially for students who have to travel far to go home to spend the holiday with family. Two weeks of classes after thanksgiving also makes the break less stressful because final projects won't be immediately due.

I hate how the Thanksgiving break is only three days right now. It causes a lot of scheduling conflicts, and I don't even have to fly anywhere! I'm really tired of having prelims/assignments due the Tuesday before Thanksgiving.

The long Thanksgiving break is very nice.

Most people skip or wish they could skip the two days leading into thanksgiving break

I like the idea of having a somewhat longer break to alleviate students' stress. My only issue is having study sessions during Fall recognition of graduates, unless most students would be done with exams by then.

Students don't stay at Cornell the days before Thanksgiving Break

Winter Break becomes shorter, but it's worth it for a longer Thanksgiving Break.

The two days before Thanksgiving break have diminished value because many people have already left and those that have not are less motivated due to the brevity of the school week and the fact that break is so close.

I like the inclusion of a longer thanksgiving break, however I don't see the point of changing orientation.

Extra Thanksgiving break gives more free/unstructured time for finishing projects, papers, etc.; F2 retains more pre-labor day class, making the early break less of a disruption (I still don't care about motivators 1 and 7); extra class days after Thanksgiving break is helpful.

The one week thanksgiving break is a huge improvement. I would prefer moving the calendar earlier to extend the study/exam period though, as shortening it only adds to stress.

This is definitely better than F1

I like this framework even better than the first fall option calendar - I don't think that orientation necessarily needs to be over a weekend, as students are simply settling in through the same manner anyways. I really like the longer Thanksgiving break as well, as it gives people who live further away a better opportunity to go home for the holidays.

Thanksgiving can be longer.

A longer Thanksgiving break is nice

really into the Thanksgiving break idea, because of the length and also having more days after break makes more sense than only have two more classes before exams

Better start date, days before thanksgiving not wasted

This is the best option so far. Reducing the study period and extending thanksgiving break is ideal.

I like the full break

longer thanksgiving break would help with travel time

A longer thanksgiving break is a decent tradeoff for a later exam period

Better than f1, actually allows thanksgiving break to be sufficient for people to take a break before finals because its a whole week. Since you're still starting the same week in august though, might as well start the same day as we currently do. 2 days is an insignificant addition to the summer.

Allows us to start earlier and get a good break before going into finals and a meaningful class period after thanksgiving

Make October break longer

Perfect. A longer break during the semester is what students need.

I like having a whole week for Thanksgiving

Although the semester ends later, I think a week long Thanksgiving break would give the much needed break that students need at the time. I found our 3-day break very short during my 4 years here.

I appreciate the longer Thanksgiving break. With just 3 days, students from out of state can't go home as easily.

I like 1 week Thanksgiving break and reducing study/exam days.

Having a full week for thanksgiving will make a big difference in people's ability to leave during the break, and will actually give people a break before finals. Having more than just 5 days of classes after thanksgiving will make it feel like there is a purpose to having a longer thanksgiving.

Long break for thanksgiving makes up for late exam end (kind of)

Making thanksgiving break longer makes it worthwhile for those us who live far to go home for the break. The variation of the F2 is probably a better idea so that the exam period is not so short.

Longer summer, eliminates weird/useless week of class after thanksgiving, eliminates two class days before thanksgiving that many just skip anyway. Plus having a prelim on the tuesday night before thanksgiving really sucks

longer break

Thanksgiving allows members to take a breath before the end of the semester. The last few weeks after Thanksgiving are always very stressful and busy so Thanksgiving gives students time to prepare, catch up, or relax. Ending the semester later does not bother me.

I like F2 motivators #1,2,3, and 4.

I like a longer thanksgiving break

Weekday orientation is important to include religious students, longer thanksgiving is better for students outside tri-state area

Would love more travel time over Thanksgiving break!

longer thanksgiving break is necessary

We still start in August like our peers, and people leave early for Thanksgiving and miss classes anyway. We don't need all of that study time during exams, either.

Longer Thanksgiving break makes it easier and more cost efficient for students from farther away to travel home for the break.

I feel like a longer Thanksgiving break is quite nice

I don't necessarily want a long Thanksgiving break, but I know a lot of other people would, and this is a good schedule because we still start later.

longer thanksgiving break

The longer Thanksgiving break makes it more sensible for students who must travel to go home.

Longer thanksgiving break allows people who live out of state or further away to actually be able to travel home and also makes it so that parents don't have to take off work to help kids move in

A week off for thanksgiving would be nice.

More time off for Thanksgiving break is a huge improvement. Many students skip class in the days before break (essentially taking the entire week off anyway) so classes on the Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week usually don't accomplish much. A longer Thanksgiving break gives more students the chance to go home, see their families, and relax before exams.

Longer Thanksgiving break

This is a really cool improvement! So many students take the full week off for Thanksgiving break anyway, and putting Labor Day in the second/third week allows it to be a legitimate break/catch-up day.

Longer Thanksgiving break worth the trade off in study days, finals extension.

Agree with the 12-day exam period variation. Week long Thanksgiving break may be a little excessive, but it could also help to relieve end of semester stress. Word of warning: if professors assign large projects to be completed over this new extended break, it will be incredibly counter-productive. Professors WILL do this. Either university policy would need to try and prevent it or this may not be the least stressful option.

I would still like exam period to be over by the 17th-19th because it helps with flight costs home. For people traveling from far away to come to Cornell, the winter break flights would be more expensive given the later exam period end dates. However, the addition of a full week off for Thanksgiving allows more people the opportunity to go home for the holiday. Personally, I have never been able to go home because I've had tests the Tuesday before thanksgiving and flying home for just a 3 day break is not worth it. This would help immensely.

Should have a longer thanksgiving break and more study days after the break

Having a real thanksgiving break would allow for people to actually relax rather than spend the entire time traveling.

All of thanksgiving break is off! This is good even if it requires sacrifices elsewhere.

Help with thanksgiving travel plans

The lengthened Thanksgiving break relieves a lot of stress on students who can't spend very many days with their family during a family-oriented holiday.

Many people take off a week for Thanksgiving anyway or don't go home to west coast because break is too short

Great Thanksgiving Break!!

I like the week long Thanksgiving break.

I think the longer Thanksgiving break is definitely appropriate but again, would hate to have to leave the 22nd if that was my exam day due to the travel back to California

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). I also like the idea of a full week off over Thanksgiving. Relative to F1, I like this better because I don't think our summers are too short - that extra time off at the beginning of the semester isn't that appealing to me.

Weekend orientation days are not effective. Although it still does push class late into dec.

Because we have a longer thanksgiving break (making that week more productive for everyone) and we still start a few days later in August

Good to have longer break at thanksgiving!

would like to have longer thanksgiving break

I like how two days are added to Thanksgiving break.

A week-long Thanksgiving break allows more travel flexibility for students from further away. I have never gone home for Thanksgiving because there hasn't been enough time for it, but if I had had a week off, I might have gone home. Additionally, many students already skip the Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving week to travel, and nothing much happens in most classes.

Same as F1 but F1 is better

People "jump the gun" on the Thanksgiving break and leave early anyways. It makes sense to just extend the break

to a full week.

A longer Thanksgiving break gives more time to relax and allows more people to be able to leave. There is also more time to get back in the swing of things before finals.

I like the full break for Thanksgiving, because many students just skip those Mon-Wed classes anyways. I think adding 2 more days to post Thanksgiving is a good idea. Again, I just don't like having the end of exam period to be so close to Christmas, because plane tickets back home are very expensive.

Sunday Move-in is an improvement. 5 day break is good, and increased amount of instruction between thanksgiving and finals is good. To end around Dec 20 is not bad

Like the longer break

Allow move in for freshman to be open over the weekend if this schedule is adopted - that will be easier for parents & they won't be rushed into orientation activities (probably less likely to skip if they've had some time to explore and settle in). Also many kids from California, etc go home for break anyway during Thanksgiving and just skip class to do so - not bad to have it be one week (the bad side of this is how to feed everyone who remains at school for one week).

Thanksgiving is a tight time slot for going home

Love the weekday orientation, love having a longer thanksgiving break, and again, the study days for finals can definitely be reduced

The longer thanksgiving break

More time for Thanksgiving

Compared to many of my friends at other universities, my winter break was longer and summer break was shorter. This would lessen that discrepancy.

Like the idea of a whole week off for Thanksgiving - students leave anyway.

-Like the longer thanksgiving break, ours feels considerably shorter than other schools, especially for people who live out of state and want to travel home to be with family. -Slightly longer December is fine

I like the full Thanksgiving break, but would rather not have exams run so late. Do agree with reducing total number of days of exam period. Overall seems a reasonable change.

still better for the same reasons as F1, but I think F1 is better.

Full week off pre-exams would be FANTASTIC

A full thanksgiving break is useful, since many people skip those classes anyway to travel. It also acts as an extended break to finish long-term projects, which is missing from the fall semester but exists in the spring semester in the form of spring break.

Longer thanksgiving break would be really nice

week-long thanksgiving is nice

Having the entire week of Thanksgiving off is very helpful!

The concern here is that the all-weekday orientation might be harder for families that cannot take as much time off during the week. But overall it meets the goals.

I think only having one week of classes after break seems silly and a hassle for people who do not live close and would have to travel so frequently within a short period of time

Makes it easier for students to go home for Thanksgiving while having enough time for travel and allowing for two weeks between break and finals to make it a little less stressful than the current schedule.

Later start in Aug; more days after thanksgiving.

