

## F2UgradUnsure

I don't like that finals might go all the way until December 22nd. I would rather be done before that.

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i don't know if adding to thanksgiving would take away from winter break.

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I like the extended Thanksgiving break, but I don't approve of adding more class days to December. I'd rather keep them in August.

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Longer Thanksgiving break is appealing, but having all-weekday Orientation makes it more difficult for parents who need to take off work to help kids move in (although the traffic may be better during the day on weekdays than on weekends), and I would rather leave school earlier over winter than start later in the summer

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Agree with adding days to Thanksgiving break, unsure about adding days to December

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While having an entire week off for Thanksgiving is a plus, it doesn't make sense to have only two days on the first week of classes in August.

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I completely agree with adding more days to Thanksgiving Break (I live in CA so it allows me to actually spend time with my family). But, once again, I do not agree with ending Fall semester so close to Christmas.

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I like getting out earlier in December because I live on the West coast and have to travel a lot. It's nice to settle in before Christmas and take part in the seasonal celebrations leading up to it.

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Thanksgiving break is okay as a 3 day break. As a student who lives far away, it would seem pointless and expensive for me to go home for a week right before the last few weeks of classes and exams. But I also wouldn't want to stay here because staying at school during breaks is such a depressing experience (because no one is here, I only eat like once a day because the dining halls are closed, it's usually cold so I stay inside most of the time, etc.).

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No significant difference

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Shorter summer

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I like the variation for F2. I like that school still starts later but that we get more days for thanksgiving. however, we will be about to get off for winter break, and I'd rather have more days off for winter break (and leave school earlier in December) than have the whole week off for thanksgiving

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It would be nice to have a longer Thanksgiving Break, but again, winter break would start too close to Christmas.

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The longer Thanksgiving break will increase ease of travel at that point, but the later start of winter break will make more travel difficult given Christmas.

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Although the Thanksgiving holidays are a little too long in the new version, the overall structure is better. And the winter in Ithaca can be cold.

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This is good too. The one week thanksgiving break might be difficult for those of us who live further away to get back to family, but I'd want to given that it's cutting into break time elsewhere. Labor Day positioning is optimal. I worry that it doesn't really improve upon the abnormally early start time.

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Everything is better in every way other than exams going until the 22nd.

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i guess i dont necessarily need a long thanksgiving break with winter break around the corner. i would prefer winter break start sooner

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A week at thanksgiving (2 weeks before winter break) seems unnecessary

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Starting school 2 days later is not bad, but only having 8 days of classes following Thanksgiving could make exams difficult.

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The idea of moving the starting day back two days seems okay. I do not really see a point in making Thanksgiving break longer though, I think it works just fine the way it is.

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A longer Thanksgiving break is nice for those who live farther away and want to spend time with family, but the study period is still shorter.

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Moving orientation to all weekdays is unnecessary, but having a longer Thanksgiving break would be a great change.

Interesting idea of a week off for Thanksgiving. Would be in agreement if we started at the same time as the current schedule so the last day of exams isn't so close to Christmas.

I do think that making Thanksgiving Break cover the Monday and Tuesday of that week would allow many more people to travel home, or elsewhere, over that break. However, the latest exam day of December 22 is still an issue, and I think I value spending the time around Christmas with my family more than I value spending Thanksgiving with my family.

It would be nice to have a longer Thanksgiving break, but I also don't like how late the exams go into December.

A week for Thanksgiving is non-sensical to put in the middle of the fall term, especially during a time when prelims and project are often due. Because of this, the week-long break would be difficult to keep as a break and not devote partly to work.

I would still prefer being able to go home earlier. I believe the week long Thanksgiving break is too much time from classes; I would forget a lot of things over that time. While the weekday orientations are a good idea, I do not think they would be worth the changes.

Not much change

I do not like that exams would still be held up until the 22nd of Dec. That would make it very difficult to find bus or plane tickets back home (and expensive) because everyone would be in a frenzy to buy them. I think the current schedule is fine the way it is. I do not mind the starting times for class in F2 though.

I like the thanksgiving break idea but the finals end too late

Not a significant change from the current calendar, but also sacrifices two study days. However, does marginally extend summer break.

More classes after Thanksgiving break would be helpful but for winter work reasons I prefer to finish school earlier in December.

I like the weeklong Thanksgiving break, but am unsure about the earlier start and later end of the semester.

I would rather start earlier in August and end earlier in December. Otherwise, the longer Thanksgiving break and shorter study period would be helpful.

Impartial to both

Because I'm not sure if the value of class in the end is worth it.

Shorter Exam period is good, but we do not need the until week off for thanksgiving

I don't like the idea of having my study days shortened.

It adds 2 days to Thanksgiving break, which is actually a very good thing. Having more time to spend with family is good but I don't like that it ends on December 22nd. Too close to Christmas.

The week-long break for Thanksgiving is definitely appreciated but the exams end too late for my taste

I don't think it's worth it to move two days in August to December. I'd rather start a little earlier and be done earlier

I think I would prefer the F1 framework over the F2 framework. Orientation does not necessarily have to be during the weekdays

I like the week-long break, but I dislike the additional length to the semester. This would mean a shorter winter break as well. Also, I dislike the fact that we don't have another study day in the middle of final exams

While I like the idea of adding days to Thanksgiving break, this still presents the issue of ending later in December, which I do not like. In terms of the new F1 versus the new F2, the new F2 is a better option.

Thanksgiving break feels like the right amount of time already.

While it does improve Thanksgiving break through giving students who live far away, classes should not end that late into December and study period should remain 13 days.

I am not sure if end of term anxiety is reduced by having another full week of classes after Thanksgiving break. I think having classes start on a thursday makes them useless days.

Adds a few more days in August for summer break, Shortens exam period, 5-day break during Thanksgiving would remove more focus from school work (which at the end of the semester can be very difficult to regain)

More thanksgiving break is good, but I don't understand how the last exam day of the current fall schedule is December 13 at the earliest? I got out on December 7th last fall. No one wants to be at Cornell right before Christmas. And if the earliest/latest days are just projections or you're not sure when exactly the exam dates would be then you sent this questionnaire out prematurely

again with the later end date plane tickets are more expensive and harder to travel home

Thanksgiving break doesn't need to be that long! If those two extra break days can be put toward recognizing the fact that Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur are important Jewish holidays that almost every Jew on campus celebrates and having no class on those days, I think about 1/4 of the student population would be a lot happier (hey, that's the same fraction of students who are Jewish!).

I would to have a full week for Thanksgiving, but unsure about going that late in December.

flights are cheaper over the weekend. Starting later makes it easier to make it to a full internship. We have to leave early to make it back to school on time.

I love the idea of a 5 day break for thanksgiving, this gives a lot of opportunity to travel and visit different places which we might have the chance for except in Spring break. Orientation could still be on a weekend, but the 8 class days after thanksgiving is a great improvement.

Since there are not as many class days afterwards, a longer Thanksgiving Break serves less of a purpose towards the end of the semester. It also does not seem like it would be very helpful for those that cannot travel home for the shorter Thanksgiving Break in the first place (for reasons of being international or otherwise). Although there is a concern about students who skip classes to travel the Monday and/or Tuesday before break, I wouldn't say that a majority of students do that, so extending the break does not serve the majority of students.

I like longer thanksgiving but not in school until December 22

I like the fact that orientation is spread out in the end of August, but I don't like that exams aren't spread out as much. It's hard to study when exams are all around the same time. Currently I like that we have two days in the week to study. Weekends are hard to plan out and there are often distractions.

I don't think that would significantly change my life. But. I do want a longer study period. Although that's only one day less.

I like the idea of having a longer Thanksgiving break, but again I am unsure about how late the exam period can go.

this is better than the other option but still not great. the real problem here is that thanksgiving break is so close to winter break that it just feels weird to go home for thanksgiving and then come back for a week and take tests and then go back home again.

Longer Thanksgiving break is nice, but ending exams later is not. Unsure which is more important.

I'm not sure whether or not this is an improvement. Both variations have their ups and downs.

The long thanksgiving break is unnecessary right before the full Winter Break.

Better because of the Thanksgiving break, but still financially challenging for paying for flights due to the late ending date.

Again, I don't like reducing the length of the exam and stood for stress reasons. I also feel as though the Thanksgiving break proposed is a bit excessive.

F2 makes the Thanksgiving break too long, I believe

I like the idea of having an entire week of Thanksgiving break. This would make a trip back home worthwhile, both financially and regarding relaxation at home. However, I am greatly opposed to pushing the final exam period further into December, especially as the last possible day is the 22nd. Should serious weather occur, students will not have enough time to arrive home before the start of the holidays, causing unnecessary stress for them and their families.

The increased Thanksgiving break is just going to leave people with even less motivation to do anything when they come back from it.

Nice to have the full week for thanksgiving break, but starting first class of the semester on Thursday does not really make sense.

I like the idea of a full-week Thanksgiving break, but unsure of the idea as a whole.

I like the longer Thanksgiving break, but I do not want fewer study days.

Same as with F1, the exam dates could potentially extend further into winter break

I like the full week off for thanksgiving but I dont like the end of the semester being so late.

This calendar is better because it gives a full week off for Thanksgiving. However, exams should not end so late.

The longer Thanksgiving break is desirable, but it is not necessarily worth losing study days for the final.

I like the long Thanksgiving break, but I would like to be done with the semester earlier.

Pros: Longer Thanksgiving Break Cons: End of semester falls too close to Christmas; first week of class only has two days of instruction (not all classes will meet); commencement occurs before exams end

The extended Thanksgiving break is good, because lots of students skip the Monday and Tuesday classes before Thanksgiving anyway. But getting out on Dec 22 is just way too late. That means some kids who drive or take the bus home won't be able to be home until Christmas Eve.

longer summer but orientation is shortened/moved later which I don't think works as well. additionally, thanksgiving break doesnt need to be longer

Weekend or weekday orientation does not make a difference. You should not have exams until December 22

I think that adding days to December is fine, but I DO NOT THINK THAT THANKSGIVING BREAK NEEDS TO BE EXTENDED. Again, I think that the longer exam period is necessary and beneficial, unless it can be guaranteed that finals won't be back to back or on consecutive days which is already a problem even with the timeline we have currently.

I think its interesting to have a long thanksgiving but I'm not sure if its necessary. I am more interested the variation to this - moving a December class to August

move in on a sunday may make orientation events less fun/inclusive if I have class the next day. when, as a new student, can i settle in?

The later start is good, but Thanksgiving break seems too long.

It moves things too close to Christmas. Granted, not everyone celebrates Christmas, some Kwanza, or other holidays, but with the latest exam on the 22nd, it would make it more expensive and more difficult for some students to travel outside of the country or to states where there are fewer flights. I do like the idea of Thanksgiving break being for a week because for people who do travel home that do not live in the tri-state area, it makes travel worthwhile.

Increasing Thanksgiving break provides more opportunity for students to travel home, but again moving later into December interferes with work schedules.

It's not a big change and doesn't matter too much to me

Having a full week off for Thanksgiving is super nice, but not having a study day in the middle of exam period is rough (as explained in my response for the previous schedule). Overall shortening the exam period is really scary, having exams back-to-back is living hell and a shortened exam period would almost ensure this.

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While I agree that having nearly two full weeks of class after Thanksgiving break would make the final classes of the semester mean more, shortening the final exam period by even two days is very stressful. It is already difficult to study, take exams, complete projects and papers, and pack up-- often by a specific date so that we can move out of our dorms and apartments or make specific flights. To give us even less time to complete these crucial tasks would add more anxiety than the admittedly tempting longer Thanksgiving break would take away.

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I like the fact that thanksgiving break is 5 days, especially since it gives people who live far away a chance to go home. However, having a huge break right before finals scares me a little, and again, I don't like ending later.

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Pros: week-long Thanksgiving Break to catch up on rest AND study for the end-of-semester crunch period Cons: Expensive airline tickets closer to Christmas, week-day orientation seems like it will throw off the equality of 5 day work week, parents will have to miss work to drop their kids off in Orientation

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I like the longer Thanksgiving break, but I think it is too late for students to finish exams on 12/22.

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The Thanksgiving break seems little long,

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The extension of Thanksgiving break is a great idea. However, the semester ends too late and I'd prefer to have the extra study day.

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I like this one better than the last one, but I'm still not sure about the shortened exam time. I'm also not sure how teachers will treat the longer Thanksgiving break. I do fear a longer break will lead to an increased workload over the break, but it would be nice to have more time off.

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Long Thanksgiving break is tempting but I think student would just waste a week doing nothing useful

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I like much of the F2 calendar but don't like the exam period so close to christmas 20 or 21 last exam day would be better.

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I am conflicted - I like that Thanksgiving is longer. But I'm afraid that final exams will get dangerously close to Christmas break, increasing travel costs for everyone.

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The 3-day thanksgiving break has been tried and true

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I like that orientation is during the weekdays and the longer thanksgiving break; but, still don't like the new suggested study break. So overall I am okay with it; however, I feel that there are both pluses and negatives.

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This proposed calendar does not begin as late as F1, and has a more realistic break for the Thanksgiving holiday - which I have had to skip going home for because I would have "met myself coming and going," as my mother put it. I still do not agree with the date that finals would end

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You still have the previous schedule issue, and a lot of people will not want to go home so late in the holiday season (this applies to previous schedule).

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While it is easier to have students move in on the weekend rather than a weekday, I still don't like having exams run so late in December.

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This starts at the right time of the year, but Thanksgiving break shouldn't be a full week. This also has the potential to end really late into December, which isn't favorable.

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Doesn't really do anything

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Same concerns about a shorter winter break (as I mentioned in my F1 comment), but it otherwise does not seem too different from the current calendar. 1 whole week off during the semester, however, seems too long, so I prefer the current calendar.

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I like the longer Thanksgiving break and the shorter exam/study period, but I don't want classes/exams to go later in December.

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I like the variation of the spoken about for this calendar better, but I enjoy the late August start date and 4 day thanksgiving break plan.

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I like that summer is longer but Thanksgiving break doesnt need to be lengthened, instead add those days to summer

cutting exam period is good but latest final exam day is too late into December

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I like having more time between Thanksgiving break and finals but don't need so many days of break for Thanksgiving.

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Thursday starts are weird, and class does not end or begin appreciably later

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I appreciate the longer Thanksgiving break, but I'd rather tack extra days into August and not December.

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Still better than current one for starting later, but I have no opinion on the change in orientation days, and I don't like the extended thanksgiving break.

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Really like the longer Thanksgiving period, still not a fan of how late in December exams go. Trying to fly anywhere the day before Christmas Eve would be impossible. Really couldn't care less for classes to start later, summer is long enough.

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I do not like the fact that finals ends on December 22nd. This means that I potentially would not return home until late December 23rd. I would not have time to rest or prepare for the holidays. I would also have less time to spend with friends and family on the days leading up to Christmas. However, I do like the extended Thanksgiving break. The current Thanksgiving break is too short.

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I like the idea of a longer thanksgiving break but I do not like the idea of starting later in August

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I like that the last week wouldn't be diminished by the effects of winter break, however that is a really late end of the semester for students who want to travel home for the Christmas holiday.

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While the later semester start date is helpful, having a week-long break so late in the semester will just add to stress and difficulty cramming in final assignments. The flip side of the coin is that tons of people skip the Monday and Tuesday before Thanksgiving anyway, which makes it tough for teachers to assign anything important on those dates.

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Move in days are needed on the weekend. I also don't think orientation needs to be entirely 3 days long. Having a week off for Thanksgiving would be kind of relaxing but would have to do work regardless because major assignments would undoubtedly be due when we get off of break even if the administration says they can't because that is what currently happens. Ending December 22 is very close to the holiday's for people who need to travel.

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Longer thanksgiving break would be nice, but unsure if it is necessary.

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Longer Thanksgiving is attractive, but ends semester later

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Would rather have the 12 day study exam period

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I believe we are starting classes too early in this framework, and for fall athletes that would require them coming to campus very early. However, an entire week off for Thanksgiving would allow students to travel home who otherwise might not find it worth it because they live so far away. This is very important!

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I dont like pushing things back, but Tgiving break for a full week is ? ? ? ? ?

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A full week off for Thanksgiving right before finals would be really challenging mentally. It's already difficult to get back into studying after a couple days off as it is.

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Thanksgiving break is too long but I like the start time.

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I still don't think summer should be longer but I do like the thanksgiving adjustments and finals week adjustments.

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I do like the extended Thanksgiving break, but the latest exam day should remain Dec. 19th -- It's more difficult and expensive for students to make travel plans closer to Christmas (especially for international students and those who live across the country). As it is, my friends from other universities leave for winter break much earlier than Cornell, pushing it off so late seems too late.

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STRONGLY DISAGREE. While it would be nice to have a longer Thanksgiving break for those of us who live farther away, I still have the same concerns about December 22nd exams & commencement before exams are over

Having a full-week for Thanksgiving Break is extremely helpful, but starting classes on a Thursday is a waste of that Thursday and Friday.

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Having a longer Thanksgiving is great, but I'm not sure if it's great enough to justify a shorter exam period and later end of exams.

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A longer Thanksgiving break would be nice, and would allow for more students to be able to go home. I cannot say if it is better yet, because it is very dependent on how this schedule would effect when we get out in May.

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Having thanksgiving be a full week makes traveling for that holiday more doable, but adding those days to December makes traveling for that holiday harder. If the days were added to August instead I'd see it as a bigger improvement

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Increasing thanksgiving break would make most students very happy because many professors assign hefty work due the following week; this gives us time to digest the work and to unwind. Lastly, I do not think the study days should be cut short- they should be extended. By cutting study days short by a day a few years back, this served as another way Cornell decided to do the most inconvenient thing possible during that time.

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The added days to Thanksgiving break is great for international students and students who don't live close to campus. However, the reduction of study/exam period days is terrible.

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Later start is good, but a whole week of break for Thanksgiving right before winter break is unnecessary.

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Having a week off for Thanksgiving would be nice. It is not however, necessary. Less final days, means a higher chance of having more than one on a given day, which adds to stress. Also, starting class on a Thursday is weird.

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The addition of a week long Thanksgiving break is nice, however the last exam day being so close to Christmas makes travel much harder for students as fares go up and flights are booked. If there is a mix up at the airport, this schedule change will cost students more money and risks them missing being home for an important holiday for many. The orientation schedule seems fine, and a minimum of four study days is important.

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A full week for thanksgiving is nice because a lot of students take a whole week anyway. But the days should be added on in August not December to make up for it. December weather is worse than August weather.

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Doesn't seem like a significant enough change to warrant a difference

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I really like the full week Thanksgiving break, but again I think having fall recognition during the exam period is not appropriate.

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A week off at Thanksgiving is too much when many students go home later anyways.

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This gets rid of the short Thanksgiving break but I'm ambivalent to the changes in the summer and the study/exam period.