

S2GradUnsure

Not sure flipping the breaks makes sense. Reducing the number of exam and study days is a plus. I don't think it would matter all that much for flipping the breaks so its fine. But that doesn't really improve or make things worse. The less exam and study days does make it better!

This would be very drastic and unprecedented. It does make some sense, that students won't lose track of their work/studies as much with only a small April break. However, this defeats the purpose of the week-long spring break that is standard vacation time for students and families at a warmer time.

The "variation" would be preferable.

ambivalent about the spring break timing

Order of breaks doesn't matter to me

This is an interesting idea. However, I'm not sure how the costs-benefits would work out in reality. The end of semester is more stressful than the beginning and warrants a longer break to prepare/recover. I do like the weeks they are placed at.

This is a really interesting idea, but I'm unsure because I don't know if the spring break for a week seems early. I do like how the 2 day break start on a thursday instead of a mon-tuesday

Not sure about swapping Feb break and Spring break. Seems too early for Spring break to be at the beginning of March.

I'm not sure how a much earlier spring break would affect the flow of the semester from the perspective of teaching

Interesting idea to flip the long and short breaks.

I like the current dates of the breaks (2 days for Feb break, a week for Spring break). I agree with reducing the study/exam period.

Neither calendar is great, since they don't match up with Ithaca Schools spring break.

In this scenario the spring break might be too long of a break coming too early but it would be nice to keep the current schedule of February break and then Spring Break but have the February Break pushed back into the first week of March

Both look inteteresting to me.

I still like the positioning of February break. And moving Spring break too early seems like a bad idea for travel.

I like the March 5th break - it seems well placed and long enough to be actually recharging, but having just one short break the week of April 9th between the longer vacation and exams looks exhausting.

I have no real idea if this is better or worse, but it does seem like a **huge** change.

First week do March might be too early for spring break

My program does not use this format. We get one break in March.

They are similar.

I don't think I like having a spring break that early in the semester. I think having a short break early and a longer break later in the semester (as we have currently) is preferred to this proposed method.

Moving the spring break to earlier in the year is interesting but the later start of the semester seems excessive since the winter break seems so long.

I think this may be a superior calendar because students are incentivized to go away for spring break, and this detracts more from their work later in the semester, whereas the later short break would be more likely to be used for projects instead. But not that strongly in favor.

The spring break is earlier than what we have now, although on the "Current" schedule it has spring break as much later than it is this year (March 19-25).

Not sure when other schools' spring breaks are, but would enjoy having them match up (whatever that is).

I'm indifferent on the order of spring and February break

I like this arrangement better than the previous variation. April is a long month and would benefit from a break. I'm still looking for a version where the semester starts earlier.

The same as F1

I'm not sure that I mind the late position of Spring break. I think it's fine this way too, but I don't know that I feel that it's better.

Equivalent to me

if this can avoid the cold. so be it

The February break should match the rest-of-World carnival dates (Feb 12 and 13 in 2018)

Is there data suggesting it is "better academically" to have the Spring Break this early? For those who do not travel to warmer climates, spring break in early March can be quite cold, but early April can be nice even in Ithaca.

I rather have the longer break when the weather is nicer outside. But I like starting summer break earlier

I don't really know which I like better

The proposed spring break is almost too early.

doesn't matter as long as commencement stays during memorial day weekend

It's not clear what's significantly different.