

S2UgradAgree

spring break aligns with peers

it follows more closely with other students spring breaks

Spring Break is definitely too late

leave for summer earlier. maximizing summer is my biggest thing. winter break is too long

I like this better than the current system because February break is too early; also, this would place Spring break more similarly to other schools.

This Spring break would coincide with many of my other peers' spring breaks and would make the break more worthwhile.

The switch of the breaks seems very beneficial. The variation for a Wednesday start in January seems better to not waste that week.

i would rather have spring break in march, because that is when other schools have break, so we can spend time with our friends.

I like having spring break early/mid March so that it overlaps with other schools. This allows me to go back home and actually be able to meet up with friends.

Could still finish even earlier, our winter break is too long.

This allows us to have breaks at similar times to other schools and a spring break at a time when it's best for the mental health of the students.

Better but not solving the problem of the spring semester starting late and ending late

Better break.

Spring break will align better with other colleges, timing makes sense

This is a smart idea. We should have a longer time between the end of winter break and the start of another break, which this S2 schedule does. I also like that the exams end earlier too.

Spring break should be earlier to align with other schools

I feel like this is a much more feasible option because Spring Break is at a time that coincides with other schools. Therefore, people can plan trips with their peers outside of Cornell, and it doesn't leave us limited. I also wouldn't mind a short break in April rather than Spring Break. I feel like we could use any break we can get around that time.

This seems much better than S1

I like the two breaks being switched.

I really like the placement of spring break with this new calendar, and it reflects those of other schools better. I also like keeping the two day break, and especially having it Thursday and Friday instead of Monday and Tuesday, because it allows for more travel to go visit family, etc., as those are the more typical long weekend days. I also like that we get to keep the length of our current winter break; I think the length of time off is extremely valuable and important in truly recharging our academic batteries

I like the earlier spring break more but the April break makes no sense.

Spring break aligns with other schools but we end so late

This schedule fixes the issue with both breaks. It also enhances senior week which is important. I am against shortening the study period since many students have conflicts and heavy bunching under the current layout of the finals schedule and reducing study period will not alleviate this. Removing the study day that divided the previous schedule is also bothersome because it further allows the bunching of exams. I would also like to see the schedule for the spring semester shifted to end more than 1 day earlier.

This way our spring break lines up with other schools.

Now this looks better, the first break of the semester is placed at a reasonable time and there's a nice destressing break in february! Huzzah! One improvement though to add would be to shift the start time of the semester up a week. The combination of a normally timed spring break, shorter winter break, and the presence of 2 breaks is the ultimate combination. As it stands though this is my second favorite schedule iteration

Not sure what we gain here, but moving spring break earlier lets people escape Ithaca while it is cold, and stay when it is warm and nice.

Thursday/Friday long weekend is better than Monday/Tuesday

Spring break is more appropriately placed, do not really need February break.

The breaks are more well distributed.

A longer break closer to the earlier part of the semester allows students to get away from the cold weather. Also, a February break personally made me feel like I was returning home not long after I had left from winter break. Additionally, seniors should have the chance to relax a little bit more (even if it's just an additional day) before commencement, as I expect many students start their post-graduation jobs not long after.

Spring break is during a commonplace time compared to other schools, which is VERY convenient and necessary. We continue to have two breaks, which is also very nice and taken advantage of. We end at an earlier time, which is okay even if there is one less study day.

I like the reverse in breaks

Having spring break the same time as other schools is nice.

I am a big fan of the earlier Spring Break. Our current break is unusually late in comparison to many other schools. I would like to spend Spring Break with friends back home, but since mine does not coincide with everyone else's, it's hard to plan any activities to do back home. I am limited to the activities my Cornell friends have planned.

I think this is the best possible arrangement.

so much better reversing the breaks. feb break really disrupts everything and spring break is way too late

I overall like this, because it would make our spring break line up with a lot more schools and increase chances of making plans together with your friends/family who go to other schools

I definitely prefer the spring break in March that aligns with other schools' spring breaks. It is nice that this schedule still preserves the two break system while allowing us to have the spring break in March instead of April. Summer break still starts too late.

It's some good stuff

I like the shorter study period, and agree with the later breaks.

I like the switch in the breaks to make spring break earlier.

I believe this schedule is by the far the best of the spring options. Our spring break was far too late compared to peer colleges and too early compared to high school schedules leaving students in an odd situation of being able to spend time with neither their friends at other schools, nor their family. Also having the longer break earlier would allow students and faculty to "escape" to somewhere hopefully warmer during the worst of the winter. I am not sure about the rationale of placement of the second break. As a student from the west coast the second two break has done nothing but create headaches for me. Unless I want to remain on an empty campus during the worst of the the winter, I have to make plans to either a visit one of my ny area friends (a social cost) or make plans to travel (a monetary cost). I would be in favor of eliminating it entirely.

much better timed breaks

This is good, the breaks are more logical thankfully but more could still be done with getting out earlier.

I like this better because it overlaps with friends' break schedules

The week-long break is positioned better.

Spring break is earlier -- ideally, I would like to start school earlier and end earlier too, and have spring breaks align with other colleges. It is already difficult to see friends who attend different schools and non-overlapping breaks is a substantial hurdle.

I like how spring break is at a normal time. It's odd going home from spring break and nobody being home from other universities.

This is the best one!! Earlier Spring break, but get to keep our second break.

I wish the study period was longer though. I don't mind the order of the breaks as long as we have two!

spring break earlier

I like the reversal of breaks a lot. I wish the end of the school ended earlier but at least it's not later. I think it could be shortened though.

Would be nice to have Spring break with other schools

Switching the breaks might be a nice change.

Love this actually.

Spring break is in a more desirable time frame.

It is easier to work a long stretch after just returning from the long winter break so it is better to have a longer time until the first break than in between the first and the second. This is better than S1.

I think it moves the spring break more in line with other schools

Location of spring break is much better. I would like more days for study period though

While the reversal is not particularly detrimental, it is nice to have a shorter break 1/3 of the way into the semester and a longer one 2/3 of the way into the semester. This is because the longer break allows for travel during better weather, and provides the required respite from schoolwork at a point when schoolwork gets particularly difficult to manage. A shorter break later in the semester may not provide enough of a "break" for students who need it, and a longer break in the beginning of the semester feels unnecessary since the stress at that point is not enough to justify taking 5 days off from school.

seems chill

The breaks will be occurring at adequate times to help with student stress. I also like that they are around a month apart, because it can help prevent student burn-out.

All around better

See previous comment. However I still think there should be 5 study days during finals week.

The breaks are much better reversed!

The spring break placement makes more sense.

like this spring break much better

I do like that the first break is later than it currently is.

Better to have spring break earlier!

I like this one even better than the S1 because the week break will give a nice break in the middle of the semester and a short "energy booster" to finish out the end of the semester.

I like reversing the order of the breaks. I just don't like that we have to start so late in January and end so late in May.

Fixes the problems I had with the previous S1 schedule

February break is too early in the semester and most students end up staying at school and working anyway.

Spring break coincides with a lot of other schools'. You get to see your friends at other colleges.

More time at home.

I like the reversal of the breaks, although that spring break seems quite early.

Good

Spring break placement is perfect. I like the idea of an easter break, when there is a break close to finals.

Spring break makes more sense

It makes more sense to have a large break not so close to the end of the semester (when students are dealing with the most projects). The break interrupts learning. A shorter break would be good to give students a moment to boost their energy, but not so long that it would be a detriment to their learning.

Pros: The 4 day weekend after spring break will be more needed! Cons: reduced study/exam period

I like that the CDS in this schedule is 27-5-23-2-19. The longest stretch of classes is followed by the longest break, and consecutive class days are segmented in a decreasing order.

This calendar would allow me to be on spring break more in line with my other friends' breaks. I also like the spacing of the breaks more than what we currently have. I think it would be really good for stress reduction.

This might be a good idea because it provides a break to students when they really need it. Also aligning Spring break with peer institutions is a good idea.

I like the fact that we have a longer break that is earlier on in the semester, then we have a little break a few weeks after. Also, I like that we start the semester later and end earlier

Best possible option; students get out earlier while starting later. (!!!)

This makes a lot of sense.

Spring break more closely aligns with other schools.

I appreciate the earlier spring break. Wondering why it's not possible to shorten the winter break? We end so late in the spring, it puts us at a disadvantage with other schools for internships and doesn't allow for an adequate break before commencing summer jobs/internships.

Still dont understand why we miss entire month of Jan. Seems like a ploy by school to save money. Do NOT want to be in Ithaca all of May.

I like the idea of having spring break first, more in the middle of the semester.

Making the first break later makes sense because it gives students time to recover from their first round of prelims. Having the longer break later in the year makes sense, because the time period between the 2nd round of prelims and finals is short to begin with, so there is not much time to put a break in that period while also avoiding the fall semester problem of making classes after the break less valuable.

I like having break earlier (better skiing for me!) I worry about the long bloc before march break. Perhaps add one "mental health break day" two weeks in?

I think this schedule will allow students to make better use of the spring break. Given it occurs prior to the end of the semester, students will be more able to take a break from studies rather than be required to work through the break.

Nice to have Spring Break during a time when other schools tend to have it too. Switching the traditional dates of Spring Break & Feb break could help.

The Spring Break is good because I think people are still "fresh" from Winter Break during February break. I think it could be considered adding a day to the April break.

Spring Break will coincide with other schools' spring break.

February break is pretty early in the semester, so having it occur later will work better I think.

The breaks are more strategically placed

Getting out earlier in the spring is important to me.

I like this schedule because it places spring break at a reasonable time and puts an April break to break up end of the semester anxiety

12 day study/exam period is good. Having the second semester finish as early as possible would be ideal

more regular spring break placement

The earlier spring break makes more sense, especially for students who have siblings at other colleges. Furthermore, I would rather have a short intermission so late in the semester rather than a full week as we currently do.

That spring break is much more conventional.

The first break is later and more necessary than the current calendar, but I dislike the flipped order of the breaks.

This is the best option

February break is at a weird time

Have a real spring break

I like the idea of switching the breaks, and believe that can be very useful. I still believe we get out of school too late compared to other schools.

I like the earlier spring break

Spring break lines up with the spring break of other universities and that's important.

I kinda like the idea of putting the longer break first, and i like reducing the study/exam period

I like the idea of having an earlier spring break (more likely to line up with other schools) and then a shorter break when the weather is better in Ithaca. Also a longer Senior Week and earlier release for non-graduates are both improvements.

Better placed spring break

Fixes the spring break situation. Could work on when semester starts and exam period starts.

spring break aligns with more schools

I like the Thursday and Friday off. I feel like the new spring break is too early, though.

I like the current schedule way more with the break later in the semester and the shorter break earlier in the semester, because it's something good to look forward to closer to the end of the semester. I like changing the study period to 11 days, but I much prefer the week break in April.

Breaks spaced better. Nice to only have a few weeks after last break before final exams.

Spring break matches other colleges

Having two breaks is important, but the current shorter break placement is too early in the semester, while spring break is too late in the semester.

We need a normal spring break time compared to other schools. However, school still starts too late

I like this one

Spreads out the breaks more. Allows spring break to be a little sooner. Having time before graduation after finals would be beneficial.

Spring break is too late now and we don't need february break to be that early because we're only a few weeks into the semester

Swapping the breaks is good and shortening the study period by a little is always nice.

Spring break well timed

I prefer this to option 1 because it allows us to have a longer break around the same time as peer institutions.

Much better- spring break should definitely be around this time.

Allows for a more balanced schedule overall, putting breaks in pleasing positions.

I think it'd be good to try an earlier Spring Break.

Only slightly. Should start and end earlier so we can start summer internships at the normal time

Would rather have a spring break that lines up with everyone else

Moving the schedule up makes it easier for us to gain summer internships.

Starts Spring Semester at a decent time, especially since Fall Semester will run later. Doesn't drastically reduce Winter Break. Spring Break aligns with other schools. Provides 2 breaks that correlate with the amount of work (larger break after larger work period, etc.). Weather will be better for Commencement.

Early spring break matches with the one most of my peers at other universities have. It would make it easier to travel with friends.

Our Spring break will be better placed during this time

I think I like this one a little better. It does seem to put the breaks in a better position because honestly feb. break is pretty early and I could spend Easter with my family.

Better breaks

Better position of spring break to align with other schools and improved position of the shorter break

spring break is much better earlier

Earlier and more normal spring break. Shorter exam period and study period.

Spring break earlier is good

It is nice to be out of class earlier

I like the spring break changes.

I'd rather have more days for studying, but it's fine

Although exams still end very late, at least it gives a break for Easter, which many students would like to celebrate with their families

Really like this-- appropriately placed spring in terms of other schools and long winter break

I like the earlier spring break. The reverses order makes a lot of sense to me.

Switch sequence of two breaks, therefore suits academic needs

This calendar retains the two breaks of the spring semester which is very important. moving spring break earlier is a good strategy. Having a small break in april is also very helpful.

Spring break is too late, and the April break could accommodate those for Easter.

Yeah this break placement seems good

A march break would line up with more universities so my break would match with my school friends from home

It has most of the same advantages as S1, but I do not like how the breaks are positioned. I believe the longer break should still come later.

better because the by the time the old spring break came around I would be too stressed with classes to actually enjoy my vacation time. having a "spring break" first in the beginning of march would be better and I would enjoy my time off more

Spring break aligns more with peer institutions. Breaks are better aligned with when students need them most.

Spring break time is okay. Middle of March is preferred. Begin school sooner. Shorter exam times.

This looks good! I've always felt like Feb break was too early and there should be at least one day off of classes between Spring break and the end of classes.

YES GIVE ME A REAL SPRING BREAK

As an athlete that plays a spring sport, this schedule change would be extremely beneficial in terms of having the weeklong break earlier. As it currently is, our spring break being so late makes it nearly impossible for us to find teams willing to play us during that week.

I love this a lot. This will allow us to have a spring break closer to other schools and I think it is good to have a longer break in march and a shorter break in April since it gives students time to get settled in and a routine before the first break.

The week long spring break corresponds more closely to other universities so I could see friends over the break. Shorter study/exam period is nice.

I would rather have spring break earlier

Breaks are more evenly spaced and logical and by starting as we usually do we don't lose too much of the study period.

The spring break in this calendar lines up with the spring breaks of other schools.

February break is wasted since it's so close to the start of the semester. This gives better spacing.

February break has the tendency to disrupt the "settling in to school" routine. I like the placement of breaks better here. Spring Break also seems to align better with other schools, which is good. The postponed 2-day break also makes more sense. It offers a small breather between prelims and finals. I still think Spring should start a week earlier in order to end a week earlier. This goes better with internship schedules.

Better but not great, because you shorten study period and end earlier

Switching the two break makes sense. It allows for the week long break and still accommodates a small spring break if people need one. It also allows students to save money on fares if they choose to visit different places during these breaks.

Spring break is still at a strange time compared to other Universities, and we still get out late but slightly earlier than normal, so I would appreciate this.

Although I would not want to have fewer study days, I think spring break is currently too late.

like that Spring break is earlier

Because it brings back a regular spring break.

Spring break seems really early but is timed with other East Coast universities, which is nice.

Switching the breaks

It could work to have the smaller break later in the semester.

Having a normal spring break would be nice

One of my biggest gripes was that our spring break aligned with no one. I would MUCH prefer this schedule as the extended break would break the oppressing mood of the first two months back. This is highly preferred

i like the earlier spring break, the february break could still be longer

This is a great idea!!! I love the idea of reversing the two breaks.

Switching the breaks is nice

Distributes breaks evenly

This is great because it moves spring break much earlier like most schools.

That's better but I still think we go back to school too late and get out too late in May.

It would be nice to have a shorter break in April in comparison to February break, as it would be nicer weather to enjoy here.

25+ days without break is a little rough, but exams end earlier and spring break coincides better with other schools.

I like the earlier Spring Break.

i like reversed break scheudles

Better, but I don't want the study period reduced.

This spring break aligns with other schools better and breaks up the semester better.

into it

I like the possibility of having a spring break that lines up with other universities.

More prep for dorms, feb break is not super necessary

Better to have spring break around when other colleges have spring break. Also, no need to have spring break to escape Ithaca once Ithaca is nice and warm out.

Spring break is in a much better place! Also an April break instead of February would probably be better for students overall.

Having a longer break at the earlier days of the semester will allow me to go out and have fun without worrying about final project.

The shorter exam period is better. I am indifferent to the placement of spring break.

could be nice to have earlier spring break

Reversing the order of the breaks is great since other schools have their Spring Break around March 5 - ours is very late and the February Break is not necessary. Two breaks is a good idea but February 19th is too soon ... not even a full month after the start of classes

I think the breaks are not positioned based on what is best academically. I like the proposed revision.

I personally prefer having a shorter second break. This looks most helpful

I like the central Spring Break

I think this could be a good balance of breaks in between long school months.

I like the reversal of the breaks!!! Although the semester can start sooner.

the breaks seem spaced much more logically

Spring break during March, like most of our peer schools

The Spring break lines up with more colleges Spring breaks and the semester ends earlier.

We need to end earlier

Better spring break placement.

Having a normal spring break would be very nice. Move February break to Easter would be best.

having a longer spring break earlier would be nice

Much much much much better spring break placement

Improved because better places spring break Still ends too late

Spring break at a more reasonable time. Shorter study/exam period is better.

Our current spring break is scheduled so oddly compared to other schools that it makes it hard for Cornell students to plan vacations with non-cornellians. February break seems too early as it is.