S2UgradDisagree

Winter break too long, summer too short. Feb break first is better.

Too early for a spring break. Awkward timing

Current spring break gives good rest in semester.

This moves the full week Spring Break far to early into the Spring Semester.

Spring break is middle of prelim season. A longer break should be near the end of the semester

The current positioning of February and Spring breaks gives students more time to de-stress towards the end of the semester, when anxieties are the highest and they need it most.

Does not make a difference.

NO the longer break cannot come first NO NO NO

A break in February is beneficial.

It's good to have Spring Break in the Spring

People will not be able to see their friends or do a lot if they have spring break that early. They will get burnt out by the end of the semester and will end up making their own vacations.

Spring break should not be that early in the semester. It is much more valuable later in the semester when we really need a break. I think S1 is a much better plan, because February break is too early.

I would rather have spring break a little later and keep the study day in the middle of the exam period.

Spring break should absolutely be a full week long and later in the semester. This is what students have to look forward to for over half the semester and it should not be moved so early in the semester.

Spring break would be way too early and february break should stay in february

No

strange timing.

Make winter break one week shorter, and move other breaks one week up accordingly. Still prefer the shorter february break before the week-long spring break.

I think reversing the orders of the two breaks is a very poor decision. Students need the longer break later in the semester.

It is better to have a short break in February soon after Winter break ends, and then a longer break. Reversing the order means that long breaks are too close together and there are not enough breaks from mid-March until the end of the year.

Don't need a full week break so close after winter break. Keep the format of a short break and then a longer, week break afterwards.

Winter break is already long compared to other schools, so no need to have a long break only a few weeks after returning - better to have a longer break later in the semester when students have settled in better and/or are likely to have more work to catch up on

I think the switching of breaks is not beneficial, and the 13 day study period is necessary, considering Slope Day is at the start.

Early March is still in the middle of winter in northeast! I don't want spring break in winter. Also having unusually placed spring break actually works for traveling (lower airfare, less crowd, etc.)

I just don't prefer that break orientation.

This is horrible. Spring break is fine where it currently is in the schedule.

We don't need such a long break so early in the semester.

Better to have longer break later on.

spring break is during cold weather and doesn't coincide with other universities

The Spring break switch in length to February break is too odd of a change for my taste after such a long winter break

I think having the spring break later than february break us better academically.

Spring break should be late enough so student can go somewhere when it will actually be warm. Also it is more economical to have a weirdly placed spring break for plane flights because they will not being inflated for other spring breaks

Don't like switching the breaks, but do like reducing study/exam period.

A week long break is needed less in the start of the semester and more towards the end. Stress levels go up throughout the semester and a week long break is better for more elevated stress.

The longer break now falls at a colder time, and the shorter break at a time when generally the weather is beautiful. I remember being relieved I didn't have to go to class on the coldest day of the year because of Feb break, I actually liked it where it was.

shorter break should come first

Prefer the longer break later in the semester because it's more needed then.

Second break should be the longer one- need a break later in the semester when you are tired etc.

I'd rather have a longer spring break

Although the study/exam period is shorter, I would rather have a week long break closer to the end of the semester and have February break be shorter.

A longer break is needed later in the semester, not at the beginning before the real stress has come.

Having the longer break in the latter half of the semester is more important to give people a longer break before finals, which are harder and more stressful than the rest of the semester.

Need feb break

Spring break seems too early.

I don't want spring break that early

Do not disagree exam time. Also I do not like switching spring/winter break.

I like February break.

Spring break schedule

having the full week for spring break in April when it is a little warmer is much better than in early march

That is too early for a long break. They are best later in the semester as work and stress piles up

Spring break should stay in "spring" even though it is different from other schools.

- it is too cold to have a "Spring break" the first week of March

I feel that a longer break is much more important later on in the semester when students have been working for an

extended period of time. 2 days in February is better as we just came back from winter break.

Having the longer break when you are getting towards the end of classes and material is getting more difficult

I like spring break as is, as it reduces travel costs, avoiding peak times

Spring Break (April) should be the longest break.

I prefer to have a later spring break

I don't really see how swapping the order of breaks affects much.

As a member of a winter sport (basketball), we would miss out on Spring Break (along with Thanksgiving, Winter, and February), so I am VERY against moving Spring Break up to that week. If it was moved up, I would be okay with it as long as it is after the season ends. I also think we should begin the spring semester earlier and end earlier.

Don't move the order of the breaks, I like them.

I want the longer break to be later in the semester.

Need spring break in the spring

First day of classes is too late in both

I agree with the statement that Spring Break is too late, but moving it a full month ahead will make it difficult to travel somewhere where the weather isn't 60 degrees. I know it seems shallow, but many students think about that. Spring Break is far too early in this calendar.

Our current spring break is later compared to other schools but this is too early.

I think the problem is how late our school ends, not the timing of our breaks.

I think most students want a spring break during warm weather and would rather have the break later in the semester, after the half way mark

Too much time after spring break and the end of the semester

I would much rather have a full week break in April, not February/March

I like the current system, and having spring break when it won't even be spring (see: this year's weather) isn't great. My stress is also backloaded so I need that longer break later on.

I prefer a later spring break.

Too long of a beak so soon and too short of a break so late.

Having a longer break towards the end helps students refocus and rejuvenate. Having an earlier Spring Break doesn't allow for better weather and still does not align with other Spring Breaks. Having a small break first allows students to better adjust to being back at school.

Spring Break is absolutely too early It should not be during the first week of march, maybe mid to late march. Give us at least presidents day off if your going with the F2 model. Start class earlier! Shorten exam period to have people finished with classes earlier in order to clean dorms

shortening study/exam period

Having such a long break so early in the semester would be too disruptive to studies and the flow of academics

I need a week off from this pressure cooker of a university later in the semester. Although it sucks that Cornell spring break doesn't align with any other schools' spring breaks, it is literally so clutch for our sanity to have a week off later in the semester. And once again, I really, REALLY, do not think that shortening our study/exam period is a good idea. Actually, I think its a pretty terrible idea, unless Cornell is going to magically start giving easier exams, in which case I'm all for the fluffy new exam period.

having the shorter break first and earlier is better for seniors who are graduating that semester.

This one is confusing AND STILL SHORTENS STUDY PERIOD.

I dont love reversing the breaks. I prefer a longer spring break than a feb break!

Spring break would be more enjoyable to me during a later week because the weather is nicer at this time of the year. In addition, I like the flow of the semester having the first break be shorter and the second longer- as the semester goes, it gets harder and more stressful, thus a longer break feels more effective and rewarding as the later break.

I'd rather have spring break closer to the end of the semester.

I prefer to have spring break after the shorter break

I enjoy Spring break when it is because it correlates with a lot of other colleges.

I think it is important to have a short break on president's day rather than in the middle of April. This allows students to spend time with their families who have days off during the federal holiday.

Spring break too early

As long as our school year ends as late as it does, moving spring break so that it occurs earlier in the semester makes no sense. All it does it provide a longer period of time in which there are no real breaks because frankly, two day breaks are not a relief from school. They are a catch-up period. I would rather have this period occur about halfway between the start of the semester and spring break than have it near the end of the semester, when I have so much work to do that two days is not enough to find relief from it.

Weird April break — not a fan. 24th is still way too late to end.

need a longer break closer to the middle of the semester

Longer break is better later

The longer break should be later in the semester

It is better to have a short break early in the semester and a long break later

Better to have longer break later on in the semester. Also, placing spring break so that it would coincide with some of the days of Passover would be a huge help to Jewish students like myself and should be considered more seriously.

We still end too late in MAY!

Please no. Do not flip the breaks.

Makes no sense to have spring break in early March - could still be snowing.

Do not like the position of the two breaks at all

This is a horrible, horrible idea. Please don't do this. Yes, our spring break is late but that is how we can get good deals on hotels and resorts. Also, we get a break right in the middle of a very long block of academic days, which is nice. Having a week long break that early on and then never having a long break again would be very stressful. Also, many students choose to extend their february breaks and they take the rest of the week off. This is not that big of a problem in the beginning of the semester, but it would cause academic issues if they were to take three school days off that late into the semester. There literally is no upside to this plan.

It is better to have a longer break later in the semester so students have something to look forward to.

The week-long break would be too early. It is better left in early April or late March.

horrible, our week off should not in the middle of march -- better to have a short break first and work up to a long break after a stressful semester

spring break in March doesn't make sense and is too early in the semester

March is too early for spring break. I look forward to a longer break towards the end of the semester to reduce stress before exams. For religious reasons, I prefer to have spring break closer to Easter.

No need to have a break later in the spring. Places unnecessary stress on students due to the proximity of the break so close to finals

later spring break is better

I prefer a longer study break.

It would be very strange to have spring break fo early.

This makes spring break way too early. February break is a nice, short reprieve that should happen first, and then spring break should happen later in the semester as a nice break from exams and mid-term stress. Placing it too early would create a long, unbroken block of stress later in the semester.

still start too late

I prefer having a later spring break because it's warmer. I also want the semester to start later.

What an interesting notion, to flip the two. I don't actually think I've ever heard of this before. That being said, if this hypothetically were in place students would be on break right now, and as a student I don't feel the need for such a long break just yet, but I definitely feel the need later in the semester. I think this is an even stranger spring break timeline than the one we already have. It would also really mess up the schedule for 7 week courses, seeing as how you'd come back and have 1 or 2 weeks of class left (not unlike the current issues being discussed with Thanksgiving break.)

I don't want to lose the study day in the middle. I do, however, like the idea of switching spring break with the long weekend. I would prefer if the two days off were on Monday and Tuesday rather than Thursday and Friday.

I think the way we have it now is working-- we do not need to have spring break in the beginning of March

Reversing spring/february break gives us our short break when we need a long one the most. It would also ruin any student plans to travel with family, as our "spring" break wouldn't coincide with any hometown/college break. A spring (almost, late winter) break that early could cause more stress for students traveling to and from Ithaca, as weather conditions would be worse (compared to our normal spring break).

No one wants spring break in march

Spring break would be too early

thats a long time at cornell and the students will be fatigued

If our spring break is going to be at an unusual time, it might as well be later and warm.

Would rather have a spring break that is compatible with other peers.

Spring break too early in semester.

I still like a long spring break later in the semester and some time before finals

spring break is too quickly achieved

While I appreciate having a Spring Break that corresponds better with the spring breaks other schools have, I do not think it is a good idea to move February break to April. I feel it is important to have a break at the beginning of the spring semester, because spring, unlike fall, does not follow a huge, two- to three-month gap: Winter Break is only one month, so the spring semester can feel rushed at first, making a small break early on welcome.

Having spring break later when its warm is better than having it when its snowing.

The new spring break would be too close to our really long winter break, will be burned out by end.

Better to have a long break in warm weather and not so soon after winter break

Spring break is better later, closer to the same time as other schools.

Seems to early to have a full week break. I'd rather have a full break later on in the semester. A full break that early on while still adjusting to the semester can throw off a students schedule.

breaks are uncoordinated, prefer current breaks and distribution given course load

I like a longer break towards the end because that is when you need the longer break the most. I do not feel like I need a spring break at the end of February, however at the end of March I do feel tired and will want that full week long break.

Longer break should be the second one.

The early long break will make for a more stressful end of the semester because we won't have the break to rest up and prepare for the last third of the semester.

Bad idea. Spring break should not be that early.

You need the longer break later. Its a more stressful time and has nicer weather.

See previous comments; also I disagree with switching the breaks since April is usually a very hectic month for most classes and it is nice to have a long break before getting into that

Students would rather have more time off when it is warmer outside and later in the semester than when it is still winter and early in the semester

Goes Too far into may

Feb break is great where it is. It allows some early semester adjustment without breaking it up too much.

It is nice to have spring break later in the semester to catch up more when the semester is getting hard.

Just don't switch the breaks. That makes it even more awkwardly placed.

The spring semester begins much too late, and this schedule does not address this problem at all.

The longer break should be later in the semester, when students really need sometime to relax and catch up on sleep and make sure that they're in a good place in terms of health (mental and physical)

Better to have a weeklong break later in the semester when you're more tired.

I don't think the order of the two breaks should be reversed. Having a longer break later in the semester is better for reducing student stress.

Spring break should be in the spring!! It's too cold to do much fun stuff. Also, it gets more stressful as the semester progresses, so having a longer break to look forward to is better.

Having a long break in the first week of March is weird and it's still cold out so there are less fun things to do outside than there are during a break in the first week of April.

Spring break is better as later in the year.

Having the short break earlier is better

Please don't take away spring break. If you do, some people will make their own with low attendance before the two-day break.

Spring break is too early in the changed model

It's an interesting idea to put spring break early, but frankly, a lot of students take spring break as an opportunity to travel to warmer climates whose weathers are more favorable later in March rather than earlier in the month. I prefer S1 to S2 in this regard.

I don't like the changes to the final exam schedule. I prefer a longer exam period with more study days to break up exams.

Spring break is too early.

Switching the breaks is unnecessary and doesn't address the issue of the summer break starting way too late and the winter break being way too long. The biggest complaints from students is that the winter break is exceptionally long, so it feels like a waste of time and summer break starting late prevents many students from getting the internships they want. Not being able to start an internship until the last week of May or first week of June really hinders student's summer opportunities.

Spring break seems too early

It is much better to have the longer break second.

Keep same amount of study break time, because it is necessary.

Although it makes spring break nicer I dont want to start off with 5 weeks of straight classes. The February break is really nice.

The week long break will come too early

While moving spring break aligns Cornell more with the majority of other university's spring break, the late end date is hard for internships

spring break is not in spring.

Spring break is appropriately placed now

Spring break is too early.

Spring break is much better in April when it might possibly be warm than in February when it's bitter cold (this year being an exception to that of course)

Spring break is placed better than how our peers do.

Would prefer long spring break

I'll be one to admit that the S2 calendar would both appear and feel strange if implemented in reality. A main incentive to have the longer break placed after the shorter break is the weather; I would prefer to have a longer break later in the semester so there is a better chance of having enjoyable weather when there are no classes and I have more free time. If the longer break were placed at the beginning of March, many students would have the chance of being snowed- or rained-in on campus for a week. The purpose and concept of Spring Break is slightly defeated by placing it during a generally dreary time of the year, and it is very mentally cathartic to have a long break towards the middle-end of the semester; it is something that the students and staff have to look forward to throughout the semester, and it is generally much more rewarding to get to a long break towards the end of the semester.

Making spring break in early March when it's not even spring here in Ithaca is stupid. Reducing study/exam period is stupid. Do you care about students' mental health at all?

Too long of a gap between breaks, you would make the spring more stressful for students

I need the longer study period.

I would rather have a long weekend before having a full week off, especially with this spring break being so early.

spring break should be a week not february break

I personally think it's good to have a long break in April. It gives us time to rest and prepare for the upcoming finals and prelims. However, some people might consider it inconvenient that our spring break time is different from that of most schools.

Spring break is a huge break to have so early. I feel like it's important to have a larger break further into the semester, not earlier. Two days off is a nice short rest early on, but would be less effective later.

Spring break doesn't line up well with other schools. Prefer February break first.

Spring break is too early.

I really don't like the reverse of the breaks. It's nice having a February break because you kind of get used to school but then have a mini break after a little.

The break timings are nice as they are. Stop trying to reduce the exam period, I promise it is OK to give your students the SLIGHTEST of breaks with an extra 2 days to study. I promise. No one will say Cornell is an easy school over this. How would switching the two breaks and moving them be better academically? I would also prefer having Spring break during April, because April would have better weather than March. I also don't think having February break in April would help out with studying that much, because it gives less time (compared to if a student had spring break to study) to prepare for the 2nd round of prelims the week after (which I think are usually harder than the 1st round of prelims).

way too early spring break, prefer shorter break first

I like the later spring break, gives a nice relaxing time before finals

February break= bad weather and depressing usually. Spring break= usually good weather and relaxing. Please don't change it, people that stay in Ithaca will hate it.

A long February break is a bad idea and would be overkill. Everyone who went home for winter break wouldn't want to go home again so soon, and having only a very short spring break would reduce morale in terms of feeling overwhelmed by school work

A weeklong break that early is entirely unnecessary

Reversing the Spring and February breaks will place higher stress on students towards the end of the semester when prelims and finals are happening. Having a Feb break is nice earlier in the semester because exams haven't really started yet, and it gives a short amount of time to study, as does a longer spring break before the second round of prelims and finals.

We need to end school before late may in order for biology students to be able to do fieldwork in the summers

The Spring Break is far too early in the S2 framework.

Putting Spring Break too early doesn't align well with other schools and the weather. A large part of Spring break for me is being able to see my friends back home who are also on their Spring Break. It's also much nicer to have a long break when it starts warming up.

I prefer having spring break after February break and I don't like this version of the final exam schedule, like the one on S1.

Spring Break is too early

I like the later spring break

It doesn't seem to fix anything. The late spring break currently around is also nice because it's warmer if people go anywhere. We still get out too late with this setup.

Spring break is placed at an awkward time compared to other schools

Would prefer the week-long break later in semester

better to have spring break when the weather has gotten milder :)

I do not like the movement of breaks.

Why are the three weeks that are obviously best suited to hold spring break not used???

The amount of work put in compared to amount of break received is unbalanced. A 2 day break will not amount to much in the long run of the semseter. Because it does not break up the week enough, students wipl perceive the spring semester as a daunting 9 week trial after spring break. Simply moving up the break because more people want to spend times with friends in other colleges is not a good enough reason to force all the students to sit through 9 weeks of classes with only 2 days off.

nope

Having the later break be longer is good.

We need feb break. We are still getting back way too late.

Unnecessary

Yes to switching spring break VERY HARD NO TO TAKING AWAY SLOPE DAY TIME OFF AND A STUDY DAY IN THE MIDDLE OF FINALS. But in all honesty this spring break is way too early, make it two weeks later and adjust the other break then yes I'm down

Would prefer to have long break later in the semester

I like having our Spring Break at an unusual time--cheaper air tickets/less people at popular vacation destinations. Also, I feel like everyone gets really tired during the second half of spring semester and needs a longer break then, as opposed to earlier.

A week break is not necessary after just one month back in class.

I would prefer the week long break later in the semester. Makes it easier to finish off.

I don't like the long stretch of time we would go with only a 2 day break. Those breaks usually give us the normal amount of homework, so they aren't all that useful. With that being said, I feel that this schedule would lead to a really long, pain stretch of non-stop work.

I'd rather have a longer break later in the semester. We don't do much at school during the first 3-4 weeks so it's less beneficial to have a week off so early in the semester

Keep spring break as is. I like coming back to a warm Ithaca!

We should have a small break then a long break.

Spring break still doesn't align with other universities and the longer break later in is a very good stress relief. The weather is also better at this time for fully enjoying the longer break.

I think the longer break should stay later in the semester when the weather is actually nice enough to be outside and do things.

Longer break is more important later in semester when there is more work.

We don't need that early of a break in February, when classes haven't really picked up yet. A break in March/April is much needed as a sandwich between prelims seasons.

Spring break must be a week long, also a week long break does not make sense earlier

I disagree with the setup of break

prefer a later spring break when it is warmer places of travel

Again, we don't need that long of a winter break and we get out too late in May.

I think we don't need a longer break for February because we just get done with winter break at that point. Having a longer study period is also beneficial because with Slope Day, finding time to focus and study is sometimes difficult.

Need a longer break later when more stressed

It would be too cold during Spring Break for fun outdoor activities such as rock climbing.

The breaks should not be reversed.

I prefer having the week-long break after the two-day break

We end too late in May!

Starts too late, better than S1 though

Spring break is better used later in the semester.

Spring break far too early. The two break lengths are better as they stand

against reversing order of breaks - prefer shorter, february break first, followed by longer spring break exam period is too long - ELIMINATE STUDY PERIOD, just have one exam week

I think it is much more beneficial to have the longer of the two breaks later in the semester, when everyone is the most burnt out from classes. The current placement of February Break is good, as it provides a little rest just as classes/tests are starting to pick up.

The spring break and February break should not be switched. A longer break is better later in the semester to give students more time to recuperate throughout the semester, and most people (including family) do not have days off during that time in April.

If you make spring break in March then there aren't any good outdoor track meets to travel to in California. It will also still be snowing probably, which doesn't really seem like springtime, but idk check with Toby Ault.

Like the longer spring break towards the end of the semester.

I think it's best if spring break is later because we really need it as the semester goes on, whereas February break is a good early rest period.

I like having spring break later - it's warmer!

Spring break is too early

No no no no no. Spring break cannot be that early. It will cause much pain later in the semester.

Prefer longer break later in the semester.

The earlier spring break is too early. Even one week after would be better.

I like having a spring break when it's warmer.

Absolutely not - people are close to death by April from exams and homework no matter what. Students need more than two days extra break to recuperate

Spring break should not be at the beginning of March! A break is so necessary after Prelim season begins and kills us all!

Like having the longer break later in the semester because we're all close to death from stress and exhaustion.

This schedule does not fix the issue of having too long a winter break nor does it fix the issue of having the spring semester end late in May.

I believe the longer break is beneficial later in term as more material has been given to the student and the longer the term has been only adds to the student's stress. Once again, I don't think the exam period needs to have 7 days instead of 8.

The spring break is waaaayyy too early. I mean it's two and a half months from the time spring break starts to the end of the school year. It's hardly spring that early, and a two day break in between that chunk of time when you're grinding to the finish year is by no means a break at all. Even the current messed up schedule is better than that.

Otherwise, my complaints are the same as the last schedule: starting too late, ending too late, spring break too late, exams still too long.

The amount of stress students will experience with a shorter spring break is unimaginable.

I do not like the reversal of the breaks. I think one of the benefits of February break is that people do not have to trek to class in the freezing cold. Students are more likely to get stressed out when the weather is bad, and by not having a break for a longer time I personally feel this would negatively affect the mental health of students.

No need for such a long break when we just got back a month earlier. Plus, it is better to have longer breaks later in the semester.

This Spring Break would be much too early in the semester. It is better to have this mental break later on in the semester when it is truly needed.

I like the distribution of the breaks, but I am not sure about having a longer break first. I live on the west coast, so with the current schedule, it makes sense to go home after about two months at school. With the longer break after only a month, I don't know if I would go home (given that I was home recently and plane tickets can be expensive); but in that case, I would not go back to the west coast until May.

I would rather stick with a longer spring break when the weather is nice and conducive to traveling and being outside.

Start spring semester earlier and get out earlier. I like the switching of breaks.

Although this resolves the issue of a late spring break, it does not fix the issue of the May release. It is too hard for our students to find competitive internships when we are released from University so late into the summer.

Having the longer break towards the end of the semester is much better, gives a good reset before exams.

No. It is better to look forward to a longer break towards the end of the semester.

Spring break is too early

I like having the longer break later in the semester. That's when I need it more

This is much worse, probably screwing up prelim schedules and forcing a lot of prelims to begin immediately after the first break. Thus, making students have to study during the break which is counter-intuitive

Spring break is too early and I think spring break should be later to relieve stress because the beginning of the semester is less stressful than the later half.

Having a short break first then a long break is more suitable for stress relief.

Spring break would be too early, and dont shorten the exam period

I think the second spring break should ABSOLUTELY be longer. I don't like this idea at all.

Spring Break is too early

Spring break is too soon

I rather not reverse the breaks, because march is usually when all my prelims are and I would not like a break to affect that.

No one wants spring break in February, its too soon after winter break and thats when classes are at their easiest, we need the longer break later in the semester

The longer break needs to come later, when we are more exhausted by our studies, not about a month after we just had a month off.

I would rather have spring break after two day break

It is stressful to have a shorter break later in the term.

Spring break belongs in spring.

We won't need a full spring break by the beginning of March. It is better to have the longer break after a good portion of the semester is over because we need the break more then when we are only a few weeks into school.

Much prefer a later spring break and Feb break to be beforehand.

This changes nothing relevant.

Prefer a later spring break -- better placed as is after prelims for an actual break.

Need earlier summer 222 break for jobs

A longer break must be at the end of the semester as then it is more needed and travel plans can be arranged at the beginning of the semester

Having a long break at the beginning seems like a waste of time off - my perception is that most people don't really need a serious break at that point in the semester.

we need spring break! a long break in early march is too early.

Classes still end too late and exams end too late. Spring break should be in the Spring when the weather is nice (first week of March is too early). Having week long break after just 5 full weeks in the semester is a little silly

this is just bad

The exam period should not be shortened in my opinion.

I think the longer break should be later since we just return from a long break, so I am more happy with a shorter break earlier on. Later on, especially when workloads increase, people will want a longer break.

I just don't understand what makes this flip better academically. It also means neither of our breaks are at conventional times which is weird. I think the biggest issue is that we start late and end late.

I prefer current break order

No. It makes no sense to have a 2 day break in April on a Thursday-Friday.

I like spring beak later in the semester because we end school really late. February break is fine where it is.

The longer break should definitely be later, because the difficulty/workload of most classes increases as the semester progresses.

Dislike switched breaks; I use spring break to being preparing for finals

Spring break is too early, that isn't even in the spring.

I think it would be nice to have a longer break closer to finals.

Prefer a later Spring Break

Reversing is not good – students will accumulate stress, so the longer break should be placed later.

I don't think a 2 day break is enough to get us through april

Not much has been done to lengthen the summer

Longer break should be later. I'm not stressed out enough that early in the semester to warrant a long break.

Spring Break needs to be later in the semester when people are worn down and behind on work so that they can catch up on sleep / academics. If you have a super early Spring Break and then just a 2 day break people will be very very sad.

After just having a multi-week break, it does not make sense to put the week-long break so soon after it.

I like having the longer break after the shorter break, because it is better to reduce stress when you are later in the term.

Start earlier in January. It is absurd to have a 5 week break.

The semester still ends too late, making the summer very short. I don't like the reversal in breaks.

The short break should come before the long break.

as someone who has a spring sport i think spring break is very beneficial to get ahead with school work and increase training

It doesn't make any sense to further mess up our spring break in comparison to other schools.

I think it would be better to start earlier in January and end earlier in May. The addition of the week long break in March would still not coincide with other colleges.

This didn't accomplish anything either. The same number of days in different areas of the calendar doesn't change the fact that most people spend two days traveling anyway, thus making the two break non-existent and the five day break into a three day stressful check in with their family.

While switching the breaks would make sense, still avoids the problems where we commence rather late.

shouldn't switch fall and spring break

Still get out too late.

Should be short feb break first THEN long spring break

Spring break doesn't align with other organizations

I would rather have the longer Spring Break after the shorter February break.

I think that spring break is more necessary later in the semester as course difficulty increases significantly

I think that reversing the order of the two breaks is a bad move. After the winter break, a week long break after just a month would break up the flow too much. At the same time, students need more than just two days to recharge in the latter half of the semester.

I don't like switching the breaks

The week-long spring break is very well placed - for Jewish students, especially (Passover).

I want to be able to go home for spring break and hang out with friends. Also, the week long break in February is unnecessary; I haven't enough time to actually get tired of school yet. It is more appropriate in April.

Longer break is needed later in the semester when students are more burnt out

Spring break is way too early

Spring break should be in the spring! The long break works well with being later in the semester because later on is more difficult material and a larger work load than at the beginning

Godo to have shorter break sooner, not the long one

Don't flip the breaks. It is better to have the longer break later in the semester.

Very frankly, a spring break this early is out of sync with many other schools' and would not allow me to see friends back home as easily.

Spring break should be longer

Switching the order of the breaks does not solve the problem that spring break is oddly placed in comparison to other schools. A large break before a small break does not make sense if the winter break is still 4-5 weeks long.

WHY WOULD YOU MOVE SPRING BREAK OUT OF SPRING

Same exam comment. Still starts too late in January and ends too late in May.

Have such a long break in the first half of the semester might not be a good thing (too much pressure in the later half)

Would rather have a longer break later in the semester; reduces study period

I prefer a spring break around the same time as other schools'.

I like having a full week for spring break in April once it has warmed up a bit. Two days is enough of a break early in the semester, and not enough later on.

Spring Break is too early; we don't need a long break at that point in time.

NO! Switching the breaks is a terrible idea! It would make us even more different than other schools (which would make spending time with siblings over breaks more difficult and presents a serious childcare problem). I also would much prefer to keep the longer break later in the semester when I am already feeling worn out and thus need it more.

spring break way too early

I don't like that the placement of the two breaks are switched, I feel that having the week-long break so early and then only one small break from then on will increase anxiety leading up to the end of the semester.

Push spring break into March but leave February break.

Don't want a big break close to winter break

Spring break is much better in april than in March.

This is terrible- it would completely disrupt the traditional track and field schedule and prevent us from going on the spring break trip which allows us a week of training in warm weather thats helps jump start a strong outdoor season.

Breaks are really strange... long break needed later in the semester rather than earlier

spring break is not really in the spring

I think we should get Presidents' Day off. I dislike the shortened exam period.

would like to have longer spring break instead of longer feb break. Since the study period is to be cut short, it is important to have a longer break later in the semester so there will be time to work on term papers/final projects

Like having short break first

I would rather have a longer break in April rather than March

Prefer having the week break in the second half of the semester, it is fine that it is late for a "Spring Break." Has the same problems as F1 concerning the exam period (i.e. the mid-exams study day is very valuable and reducing the number of exam days increases number of consecutive and conflicting exam times).

I do not like switching the order of the breaks. Between S1 and S2, I prefer S1, but still think the current calendar is hest.

Spring break comes too early; students are not stressed enough yet at the end of 5 weeks of instruction to need a week off.

We need more study days

I like getting to look forward to a long break while we're reaching the last stretch of our classes. Classes tend to build up to the most stressful near the final 3rd of the semester, so having that week-long spring break eases the stress nicely.

Too long of a stretch going into finals, it's better to have a week off later than earlier. It's nice having spring break in the spring when there are good places to travel to and you don't have to fly.

Would rather have a late spring break

Spring break should actually be in spring. It's ridiculous to have it in March when it is still snowing outside.

Again, Study period is being cut short, which does not benefit students

Break does not fall over a holiday, so siblings at other institutions would not be off at same time.

I need a long break near the end of the semester to preserve my sanity and this doesn't cut it

Having a whole week out that early is overkill.

WE NEED TO START JANUARY 4-15. THIS IS FAR TOO LATE!

Winter break still too long/we end too late

No need for longer break closer to winter break

The reversal of spring and February breaks is unnecessary. Allowing two break days earlier in the semester and then a full week later in the year, when the academic load is reaching a peak, is optimal for preserving student performance.

Weird allocation of break days. The current one (short Feb break, long spring break) is better.

Spring break too soon after winter break. Rather spread it out.

The early spring break interrupts prelim season. I wouldn't want to go away for a week and come back to have a prelim that Tuesday. And we still get out in late May, which makes it hard to start internships.

I much prefer the S1 framework. I don't think it makes sense to reverse the order of breaks because as the semester gets more stressful (in April), students need a longer break.

Spring break is better in March

The switching of the breaks is inconvenient and classes still start too late.

Having the long break first is going to make it mentally impossible to make it through the rest of the term

Such a long week break is not needed that early in the semester like it is needed later in the semester.

I am not a fan of the earlier Spring Break. I believe the longer break will be better for students later on in the semester, when they are more stressed and are in more need of a break. A two-day break in the middle of the semester will be an insufficient break for many students.

S2 overcompensates by placing spring break too early in the schedule. I think spring break should be exactly in the middle, and February (or April?) break should be centrally located between spring break and exam week.

No, spring break is fine how it is.

I like the order of breaks as it is.

Does not change much

Spring Break should be after the february break. During Spring Break, students get to relax before they face the stress of finals and concluding assignments for classes

The unusually placed spring break is difficult for familoes who have another child at another school. Why move spring break four weeks earlier?? This doesn't fix anything. Most school have spring break three or two weeks earlier than our current break.

Spring break will be too early and it is unporportional to our academic calendar. Michigan has there spring break then, but they start a month earlier than us and end a month earlier. So it makes sense for that school. Does not make sense for Cornell.

Spring break should be in the spring, as the weather warms and school becomes tiring. Longer study/exam period is also very nice.

Break times are desynced from other schools. Also removes exam days for little benefit.

Short Feb break is much much meeded after the first few weeks of classes! It wouldn't make sense to move spring break up to February also, so S2 is not better

A longer spring break is preferable to a long February break.

February break is too long to be that early in the semester

Although this Spring Break would align with other schools- its too early for a week long break and when the second break comes along, that will feel too short in comparison.

This is pretty bad. I don't like the idea of having such a long break at the start of the semester. The semester ALWAYS gets tougher and more stressful in the later half, and students need a break in late March/early April. Honestly, for the Spring semester, I think we need to start earlier, not later, and then maybe end earlier. Winter break is way too long. Very few people do externships in the winter, at most, I just sit at home doing nothing important. And this way, you get lengthen the summer a little bit. I like the idea of having an extra Senior Day, but not the idea of having a shorter exam/study period. We want students to do better on exams, and I feel like shortening study/exam period is counter-intuitive.

Dislike the order of the breaks - strongly prefer to have spring break around late March.

Better to look forward to spring break than 2 day

We really don't need to start later. Exams are stressful enough, you don't need to try to squeeze it into an even shorter time frame. Spring break is too early in this model. You lose momentum as the semester goes on, and to have a break at the beginning of March and then have such a long haul until finals, is not a good idea. I would not be ready for spring break this week, that would be a waste of time off, as I'm not yet feeling overwhelmed and anxious. It is better to shift the February break back a week and keep spring break as is.

Study break is needed.

I think that having a longer break at the beginning of the semester would be worse than later. Later in the semester a longer break is more necessary.

Too cold in March for break.

I don't like the shorter exam period and I want the longer break to be later in the semester.

The spring break should be later, NOT earlier - people want it to be warm over spring break!

Please don't reverse the breaks. It is a terrible idea. I would rather have long break toward the end of the year rather than the beginning.

I do not like flipping the breaks. Also I do not like that the study period is shortened. And I don't like how changing the day that classes end changes Slope Day.

the longer break further in the semester is a better idea. it allows for students to relax more in the middle of the more difficult part of the semester, also opens up better spring break opportunities other than places very south

The long break before finals is surely needed

The weather is nicer around the world in April anyway. Spring break does feel late but it is okay. Reducing the study period seems illogical. Also since graduation is so late anyway, it's ok to have the april break that late. For example, Michigan has their break around the proposed S2 spring break, but they get out of school almost a month earlier - which is obviously not happening in S2.

Long January break already

Shorter exam period is good but only a weekend break at the end of the semester would be really stressful.

I don't think Feb. break should be longer than Spring Break.

I'd rather have a long break further from winter break

The President's break/spring break layout as it stands now works better.

two day break at awkward/random time

Longer break should still be in April. Early March is still too early for a long break to be needed.

Have Spring Break that early in the semester is much too early. Additionally, the second break creates fairly awkward timing before exams.

Spring break would offer a relaxing break at the point in the semester when classes become very hectic, especially with the second round of prelims and term projects and papers. It should be one week long to give students adequate time to rest. February break is adequate as it is, as it is still near the beginning of the semester.

I prefer to have a long, full week spring break late in the semester rather than early in February

A long break so early in the semester will be too much free time before the crush of prelims, final projects, and paperwork for graduation -- and still be far off from other schools' spring break, which is the primary issue with the spring break timing now. Follow that up with a miniscule break later in the semester when professors are guaranteed to still assign work and projects, and that's virtually no break between the beginning of March and graduation.

Students are going to become progressively more stressed and tired as the semester wears on. They will thus be in need of a longer break later in the semester, while a short one can be helpful a little earlier on for those who are quickly bogged down with work.

Cutting study periods is a terrible idea

This one's just selfish, as I like the late spring break--it generally means warmer weather, which means I can spend the entire break backpacking. As for more substantive reasons, we're missing the common holidays in February which makes the whole month a bit of a slog, and no late spring break also makes March/April a bit more stressful than that to which I'm accustomed.

Spring break seems too early in this model.

DON'T TAKE AWAY MY SPRING BREAK

Want spacer in middle-end of semester

Students do not need a week long break in early March. Having it in April when people are drained is much more effective.

Just No

February break is a much needed breather during the start of the Spring semester, and is when the time when I most readjust to attending school again after winter break. Not having that break in the second or third week would make the Spring semester much more stressful.

Everyone looks forward to spring break! Having only two days off in April is not a good option.

Switching the breaks makes this framework significantly worse. Having a short break early on is a very nice break, but too long of a break then would ruin my motivation before that point.

I like the longer break in April

The semester only really started to pick up after February break. . . . so it makes more sense to have the longer break after a harder time period. Also, February is NOT springtime.

I like having February break and spring break. February break is a nice breather, but I don't need a full week off. In March, it feels too early for spring break because...it is not spring. I would rather have my spring break in April when I am more likely to be able to enjoy springtime.

Spring break would be too early.

I like having the long break later in the semester to look forward to.

I do not agree with reversing the breaks. I think a longer break at the end of the semester is better because you have less class time left after the break. The way Spring break is now allows for interviews for jobs and internships. The big week off in early march is too early.

I do not like the switched breaks

spring break is too early

Want to take advantage of better Apr weather for long break

I do not agree with shortening exam periods and would prefer we shorten winter break.

I'd rather have the longer break later in the semester than the shorter one.

I extremely dislike the idea of switching breaks. By April, I am much more worn down and have a much stronger desire to see my family. The pause before the final month and final exam stretch is very healthy.

I like having February break before spring break. We're going to need the longer break more later in the semester.

The week-long break should not be first, as it has more value later on in the semester

Do not take study days away from students.

Would much rather having spring break later than earlier since the first few weeks are relatively stress free

Reversing the order of the breaks is worse. The longer break should occur later in the semester, with a shorter one earlier.

I really don't like this-- I know Spring break works best earlier because it doesn't break up classes at an awkward time, BUT it also gives students such a great mental break at a time of year that can get super stressful. I think a short break would feel somewhat pointless during the long stretch of April.

I like having a longer break later in the semester.

Spring Break would feel too early and people would not get the break that they need later on in the semester.

I like the break structure as is, I think it places breaks well with prelims

Spring break is too early. I would rather have a longer break later in the semester as I'm more stressed towards the end of the year and it allows my to decompress more. Faculty have a habit of not respecting two day breaks.

It's nice to have February break happen on President's Day Weekend because a lot of K-12 schools have President's Day off too; Cornell students with younger siblings can visit home and spend more time with their families. It's nice to have spring break later in the semester because the weather is warmer and a lot of Cornell students like to spend spring break at the beach.

Like the later spring break

NEED spring break in spring

Spring Break should be longer, because the warm weather will definitely be present then. Warm weather is more enjoyable (especially here in Ithaca)

I like warmer spring break

Now the Spring break would be too early and students do not have much to look forward to after early March and the semester stretches out until late may.

A shorter break first is WAY better because we are still well rested from the January break. Spring break should definitely be longer because everyone will be stressed at that point of the semester and will need a longer break for

mental health purposes. PLEASE don't do this

Spring break is way too early

(Same reason given as S1)

Used to feb break and then spring

I do not like the idea of reversing the duration of the breaks.

Spring semester should start earlier!

None of this makes a difference, start spring semester earlier. We don't need such a long winter break

I prefer spring break as it is.

The long break before finals allows one to recharge before the final grind.

Summer is still to long, some summer jobs I have looked at start May 15.

Having a long, late spring break is much better than a random week-long break in March with no February break. The exam periods still run too late into May.

Spring break should not be in the midst of prelim season as students will not have time to study. Also seems odd to switch the two breaks. Many students would prefer a short february break and a long spring break.

Even though this proposal is a little bit better than the first proposed change, I don't think it matches up with students' needs. Having a short break early in the semester is nice because we haven't been completely stressed out or in need of a full week off. With this proposed schedule, I think there will be a lot of stressed feelings between spring break and the end of the semester, especially for those who decide for whatever reason to stay on campus during the two day break.

I like having both Feb. break and Spring break - spread out through the semester. I like the longer break in warmer weather!

Having the longer break in the earlier part of the semester is less valuable then having it in the much more stressful later part.

Coordinate spring break with other schools!

The full week is MUCH better at the later part of the semester

No! Spring Break is supposed to be in April! Spring Break is supposed to be warm! Do you think Florida is THAT warm in early March? Please.

It takes away the purpose of February break and Spring break away entirely

A larger break is needed later in the semester (reverse order is NOT what is best academically for students)

2 breaks essential to mental health and relaxation

Spring break is a good time to work on long term projects or schedule interviews for graduating students. March comes too early for this.

I would NOT want spring break that early. School gets harder later in the semester, and that is the most helpful time for a longer break.

too cold for spring break in march

This break schedule seems like a really bad idea: students need a break toward the end of the semester, and a long weekend barely counts as a break. Every other school has a spring break; getting rid of ours is ridiculous.

Study break is shorter and can lead to a higher likelihood of two exams on one day.

Early March is still winter -- would much rather have a break during a better period of the year so it can actually be enjoyed. Also Spring Break is helpful to catch up on work when things start to heat up. It would get much more hectic if there were only two days to do that.

Spring break is not too late currently, in my opinion. It allows us to get most of our classwork done before enjoying a long vacation.

Spring break is too early.

For students with heavy class loads, the longer study/exam period is necessary to have enough time to study adequately for all classes.

Still doesn't address the issue of getting out way too late in May

Prefer shorter break first

I love the late spring break because tickets are cheaper to everywhere

winter break is too long

I'd rather have the short break first

Semester starts too late

I would prefer spring break later in the semester.

Spring break too early and short break later makes no sense

I think its better for the longer break to be later in the year

Spring Break would be too early

Spring break would be way too early. I don't need a week-long break so early after classes start. Also, the weather would not be as warm in early March for a real spring break.

Spring is fine the way it is

I do not like fewer study days. I would rather have the longer break when it is not as cold out.

I don't think this really solves any of these issues

I like the longer break later in the sememster

Study period needs to be long

I would rather have the longer break mid-semester when I am drained and need it

The "spring break" is too early

I like Spring break where it is

The Study/Exam period is not too long.

I like having February break where it is now, it is more important to have Spring Break later.

No, this is absurd. While our spring break has been different than other schools, I fail to see this difference as being inherently bad. Since I am a student with an extremely limited budget, I like not having to compete with other school's students for destination trips with my friends.

No way. This is so different from every other college, and 10 weeks of class with only 2 break days? That would get way too stressful.

Having a long break in the middle of the semester is better because it gives time away from prelim season.

Having the longer break later is easier, because it gives us more time to relax in the harder part of the semester

The Spring Break really needs to be the longer of the two.

Spring break is WAY too early

The long break would feel like it came too soon into the semester.

Spring Break is a college tradition

Need longer break later on / spring break is necessary

longer break should be later

I do not like the idea of having the long break so early in the semester. For example, right about now is when the first round of prelims is over. The long break later in the semester gives me an opportunity to catch up on lost sleep and homework before going into my final round of prelims and final exams.

Too long without a break. I think it's more beneficial to have the longer break after the shorter break.

I don't like the switched breaks, I'm happy with the current order

Only two days off between ~March 10th and finals is crazy.