

S3UgradDisagree

For international students, students go back to their countries in winter break after four months! It's also better to distribute rest time between summer and winter rather than have an extra long summer break. Doing an internship for few more days in the summer won't help much. Whereas a longer winter break allows one to do an internship or other activity in winter as well. It's also really cold in winters!

I like our long december break

The start of the Spring Semester in this calendar is too early.

Instruction starts far too early

I think the longer Winter break is more important than starting the summer break earlier, especially given that many students come at least a week earlier for recruitment. The earlier start to the semester would be especially bad if we make the Fall semester end later.

Jan 8 is too early to start however

The class start date is way too early in January. Most schools start in the middle of Jan, not beginning

This change makes the Glee Club unable to tour during our normal January timeframe.

Winter break is way too short.

Having Commencement on Memorial Day weekend makes travel for families easier (taking off work). The start in January is a little bit too early in this framework.

Spring semester shouldn't start this early; it's more cold and snow on the ground which is really aggravating to walk 40 minutes through every day.

Classes would start way too early in January

Winter break should be made no more than one week shorter, and worries about the Spring semester ending too late are overblown. The long winter break is a very highly appreciated aspect of Cornell's academic calendar compared to other schools.

Winter break will be shortened by a lot

I don't want winter break to be shorter.

too early

Winter break will be too short.

Winter break is way too short. There is not enough time to fully rest and reset between the two semesters, especially because the majority of break in December is often spent running around, preparing for holidays and spending time with extended family, which often times is not as relaxing and restful as it seems. Having more time off in January is extremely helpful for truly being prepared for the upcoming spring semester. Additionally, there are many clubs who do week long events during winter break, and this could not occur with this schedule. For some of these clubs, such as nordic and alpine skiing, it's the only chance they get to spend significant time training and teaching new people; it's extremely valuable and shouldn't be overlooked.

Winter break is the only time I get to see my family!

Ithaca is extremely cold in January and I don't want to be on campus then.

Winter break is when most international students visit families as internships happen over the summer.

I prefer the current winter break scenario

I think it's better to start later to to reduce time spent in Ithaca during its coldest month

The short winter break will prevent international students from going home.

The starting date is too early

This new design drastically hurts students during the spring semester. Shifting up the start dates by a full two weeks is clearly intended to hurt the Greek Recruitment system and even as a non-green student, that is a very underhanded and shameful attempt by the university. Furthermore, adding an additional week of classes is also an unfair move by the university. This plan does somewhat improve spring break, even though the configuration is not ideal. The schedule also retains a short senior week. The schedule also removes the study day that appears in the middle of exams which helps to alleviate the bunching of exams. My recommendation for how to change the spring break in order to best serve the students are as follows: -Begin classes on the 17th, directly following MLK day. - Spring break is the first break at March 5th-this will help students better as it follows after most classes will have had their first exam and better coincides with the break of other schools. -February break can be the first week in April or adjusted to fit the academic calendar best -12 day study period. Classes can end on Wednesday like they do now, which adds an additional day of classes and appeases the professors who complain of a short spring semester. However, since the semester now ends a week earlier, students should be able to better avoid exam conflicts due to summer employment and internships as I and many other students I know have had to do. A 12 day exam period will still have 4 study days on Friday, followed by 4 exam days, then a study day and remaining exam days. This is necessary so the exams taken by students do not bunch up too much and become overwhelming. -Move out day is now a Tuesday. Commencement remains a Sunday, one week before Memorial Day.

I like the earlier start, but that means that rush would be incredibly early. I also do not like the reduction in study period.

Makes winter break too short – for international students, it is costly/unfavorable to stay home for only a couple weeks as we only get to go home at most twice a year.

The winter break would be too short.

Going back that early in January is very undesirable

While I think that the current winter break can be too long, the winter break in the S3 framework is too short.

Way too early in January!!!!

Severely shortens our winter break

This would make winter break way too short!

Starting classes again as early as Jan 8th would be too early to start and would cause a problem for people who travel and take winter classes or want winter internships.

Class starts way too early

that is way too early to start

There's hardly anytime to rest between Fall semester and Spring Semester.

I think this winter break is too short (not possible to find an in between?). What is the point of two class days and then a break after winter break? However it is nice that summer break starts earlier, like other schools. Spring break still doesn't really align with other schools.

I don't like how early we have to return to the Ithaca permafrost and then leave right before it actually gets nice out here.

Starts too early.

Removing half of winter break would be terrible. We need that time to recover from the previous semester so we're ready for the next one.

winter internships and jobs would be greatly affected

Winter break should be long.

- shortens winter break too much. Shorten winter break by ONE week, rather than two

Summers aren't that short and I would start later in the winter as is

Too short of a break

Semester starts too early!!!

I like having the opportunity for service/brief internships over winter break

I don't want to start that early.

This cut out a lot of winter break, especially seeing we start winter break very late. This may also have an effect on winter study abroad programs.

Would rather be in school for longer in may than in January- less time while freezing cold, more time in Ithaca while it is nice weather

I would rather start later in January and end later in January. Furthermore, starting earlier would mean 1/3 of the campus would need to return even earlier for Greek life recruitment.

This creates a way shorter winter break, which I think is already very short. I wish exam period was longer

I don't like having instruction start so early. Moving it up one week is fine but two weeks is a major jump, especially if the winter break is going to start at the same time or even later, which is a huge deal for anyone who wants to go home for winter break but lives far away, so paying for a two week break is not worth it, like international students and anyone who must fly to Cornell. Keep winter break starting at the same time, i.e. mid-December, and start instruction mid-January instead of late January for an optimal balance in break length, and then we're talking.

Too early

I like S3 more than the other ones, but you should just start classes after MLK day. It will be pointless to have instructions for two days then have a day off. Start classes that Wednesday after MLK day.

I don't like how early in January we start at all. There is definitely an in between middle of this schedule and the current schedule. I don't like where the breaks are placed

for people who have to come to come back early for sorority/fraternity recruitment this really cuts their winter break

This is good because we start earlier and helps with jobs starting in the summer. However, it is still unacceptable to shorten study period. This is not a good resolution.

The longer winter break is optimal

Strongly disagree. much better to have a longer winter break.

Although spring break is at a more desirable time, finals week being much shorter is not something I'd like to see happen.

Recruitment would start on New Year's, too short of a break!

Too early class start

This will cause a lot of students and faculty issues with less time for international experience

Shortens winter break too much

It makes no sense to start school earlier in winter break when Ithaca is freezing cold.

No! The longer winter break is much needed and I do not like the proposed shortened winter break. It's too short now. Maybe shorten the current winter break by 1 week, but 2 is too much. Also the spring break should be pushed earlier some more

NO THIS IS TERRIBLE. WHERE IS MY JANUARY BREAK?!?!

takes a lot away from winter break

I like having a long winter break.

Starting class too early in January means an even longer winter...

Good. But we could potentially start way too earlier in January.

ABSOLUTELY NOT. So many students take the time over winter break not just to relax and decompress (which is entirely necessary), but to also work to help supplement being at Cornell or to gain professional experience. Additionally, students travel internationally to see their families for the first time since August and only have that month to spend with them before June. Though I am not classified as an 'international student' I am an expat of many years and that time is very valuable. This calendar proposal has serious ramifications for the greek system at Cornell, which holds its rush week before classes as to not interfere with the academic calendar.

Starts way too early in January.

Start too early, students who are premed will be unable to take January MCATs

If you are going to end Winter Break early, at least switch the order of the breaks so that we get a long break first.

This eats into winter break, which is significantly shorter than summer break. Also finding externships would be difficult if our winter break was shorter, or it would mean that the student would have to choose between an externship and seeing their families.

The long winter break we have currently allow students to have meaningful experiences over winter break.

Winter break should stay as is.

summer is already so long -- better to have a longer winter break to allow more time for internships and relaxing and recharging after fall semester

too early

Now winter break is too short. I would want it in between the suggested time and the current time. Then we could end exams one week earlier.

STRONGLY disagree. This would have horrible implications for rush - I believe this would be bad and I'm not even Greek. If classes started January 8th (earliest possible date), that means rush would start January 3rd (5 days prior), which means current members would probably have to be back by January 1st at the latest. Not to mention, your RA staff comes in 2 days before the dorms open, meaning they also have to be on campus at 9am January 1st, so they'd have to travel on NYE. Then you have the J-term/winter break classes being completely eliminated, because there is no scenario in which you can have enough time for classes during the winter break. This is just a TERRIBLE idea.

This schedule forces greek life to have recruitment less than a week after New Year's, causing a large number of students to have roughly a two week winter break. I do not believe this is a sufficient amount of time to relax before starting a new semester.

This is too early-- issue is for recruitment. When would that be? It is okay to end later in May as it does not affect internships that much because they start in June.

Winter break would be about 2 weeks then

If classes started on Jan. 8 to have formal recruitment and Orientation in Jan. students would need to get back to campus before NYE. Which is totally unacceptable. Our winter break would only be like a week long, especially if one of the proposed Fall calendars is accepted that pushes the semester back to the 22nd. It would also be more difficult to offer 3-week winter classes.

Start spring semester 1 weeks earlier instead of 2 weeks earlier.

The semester starts too early!

The long winter break allows students to escape the harsh Ithaca winter and allows them to fully recuperate before the spring semester.

Classes start too early.

Long winter break away from Ithaca weather is better

Being that I have to travel far to get home, a longer break to spend with family around the holidays is better. It also allows for classes that have winter break components to still give students time at home.

This is starting way too early. It will be cold and miserable on campus. I'd rather have those two weeks in beautiful May than dreary January.

Starts too early. We will freeze.

Too cold in January

I love our extremely long winter break. DO NOT get rid of it.

WHY WOULD YOU PUT A BREAK ON THE 15th. Pointless. Also, move the schedule back one week, not two.

Do not want winter break to be that short. Maybe start the week of January 15 instead?

This takes away almost 3 of our weeks of our break

See previous comments; also I would like to not have to be in Ithaca in the middle of a freezing month such as January

Winter Break should not be cut short by that much; students wishing to join a fraternity or sorority would need to be back at school around New Year's Day

no. This would interfere a lot for engineers on project teams. We come back two and a half weeks early to machine and this would push us to coming back around Christmas which is a very important time for a lot of families. If we do not have this time, then we are forced to machine more during the school year which leads to skipping class and reduced focus on school work. It would also add a lot more stress to our schedules. In short, this change would really screw over project teams.

Would cut winter break too short for students returning to Cornell earlier for other commitments.

Starts way too early in January.

Winter break is necessary - having it too short would put unnecessary pressure

No time for Greek formal recruitment

It is incredibly important that there be significant break between semesters. Reducing winter vacation by so long will abolish any ability for students to do externships and earn some money, or conversely relax and travel with their families.

I strongly oppose this calendar. The Glee Club and, starting next year, the Chorus perform on two-week tours during winter break every year, which is a long tradition for strengthening alumni affairs, expanding Cornell's presence around the country and the world, and providing a significant travel and leadership experience for dozens of undergrad and grad students from across the University. There are also several unique winter-session travel and study programs that would be very negatively affected by starting this early in January. I do not support S3 at all.

I like coming back later in January

There is very little about this calendar that I like (1 extra day off, preserving a 2 break Spring, and going home earlier). The calendar shortens winter break far too much, and that's before taking into account the Fall calendars which shorten Winter break as well. I could see shortening winter break a little, but this is far too much.

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.

Winter break is not too long and is necessary for short break internships

I do not like this, as it does not give us a long enough winter break. Winter break would be extremely short, and spring break and February break would be too close together.

The winter break will be too short.

The winter becomes very short.

The first day is too early. Maybe move the first day one week earlier than the current, but not two. Rush week and project teams usually require people to be back on campus one week earlier and that would be a really short break.

winter break would be too short.

I like the long winter break for sure! Gives us time to have real internships for the month of January so dont take that away.

Too early as its still freezing in Ithaca.

Winter break is too short. This loses the incentive to fly home internationally. It would work if dorms were open during the winter and food provided on campus but due to the lack of these facilities, it is hard for people who live far away to actually live/survive here during the winter. The long winter break is good, please keep it this way!

My family needs memorial day so that my twin sister can attend my graduation without missing her final senior year exams.

the one we have now is solid

Winter break is too short.

This makes winter break far too short

Start date is far too early

How would Greek recruitment work? Kids would not get a winter break

The new version makes the winter too short and the summer too long.

No one wants to be in Ithaca during January. Also, it seems like winter break will be shortened to 2-2.5 weeks if this change is made in tandem with the changes to the fall semester schedule.

Summer is long enough. A long winter break is much nicer.

I don't like the idea of shortening winter break.

Long January break is very nice for winter internships and jobs. Allows students to recover. Stop trying to shorten the exam period please.

Starting the spring semester so early really cuts back on the winter break, and also means that students are on campus for the majority of the Ithaca winter. For me personally, this would mean cutting back on the job opportunities that I'd have over the winter break. Also, the earlier end of the semester would not help me much with summer internship timelines.

I really do not like this schedule because it shortens our winter break by far too much. I think a long winter break is very important for the same reasons I listed before. I also do not like shortening the finals/study schedule because it would allow less study time for us.

I rather like having several weeks to ski and recover. The winter break would be too short. MLK day makes this schedule awkward.

the long winter break is much needed, I could see taking off 5 or so days, but not as many as proposed

Less time at home in winter break, longer drawn out time during very cold season. Greek life students would have to come back even earlier and have very little time at home

Rush week on January 3rd? That would mean Greek members would have to come here around Dec 31st to organize everything. Doesn't sound ideal. If the spring break is at the same time as other schools, that part is good.

Starting way too early.

Starting that early would cause difficulties for groups that come back early to focus on their activity, such as Greek life, sports, and project teams.

I agree that our Winter break is a tad bit long compared to a great deal of other schools. However, pushing it forward by two weeks is too much. I would support a plan to only push the first day of class to the range of Jan.14th to Jan 21st.

While I agree that we end late, making it especially difficult for some internships. I don't think coming back early in Jan. would be beneficial given the peak of the winter weather.

Winter break would be too short

The longer winter break gives students who live far away from Ithaca a chance to properly spend time at home.

It doesn't make much sense to have students go to class for 2 days during the week of Jan. 8, but keeping February break is a plus

Nope nope nope I refuse to start the semester as early as January 8. Good one.

The early start is nice, but it being this early cuts down on what can be done over winter and that wouldn't be good.

I'd like to get out earlier but I also really appreciate having the long break in January so I can visit family.

Really appreciate the monthish-long winter break. For a lot of the engineering project teams, members come back early (first week of January) to work full time on their projects, taking this away would make it a lot harder on these teams.

Classes start too early in January for many of the winter break internships and programs abroad.

The current framework allows for the longest possible break between the fall and spring semesters. This allows the students to have more time to recuperate and prepare themselves for the following semester in the spring. By trying to close that time frame, Cornell risk a performance drop among all of its current students as they would be forced to transition into this new calendar.

For a long winter break- get internships, also for people coming back for rush there would be barely any break and for people who are members of greek organizations and have to be there a week before rush they would actually not get to leave Ithaca

I've never thought winter break was too long, and that time is valuable for Engineering project teams.

Makes winter break too short

That would make rush preparations extremely difficult. Many people would have to come back to campus right after New Years. Also, Ithaca is beautiful in May, would much rather be on campus then, than in early January.

I enjoy not being in the Ithaca January for as long as possible.

I think a long winter break is essential because it is a terrible time to be here in dead of winter.

The long winter break is a great way to recharge. Summer is long enough for a break and many internships don't start that early, so this doesn't help there.

I would prefer to have a longer exam period to allow for more time to study. Having a shortened winter break by a week could be nice, but I would not like going back to school on 1/8, that would make winter break too short.

Reducing/shortening seniors last semester

Cutting short winter time is bad for those have externships etc.

Summer break is long enough, it is nice to have a longer winter break

For all students in Greek Life, who have to do rush before Spring classes, Winter Break would only be a handful of days.

Winter break is a good length in its current state

Starting that early is not plausible

The winters are the worst part of Ithaca which is why having a long winter break is great. Commencement on a Sunday of a non-holiday weekend means many family members who attend would have to take the Monday off from work which not everyone can do

I think the length of winter break now is best, because it gives us time to be with our families and also work if we want to. A longer summer break would not be as good if it takes away from time with our families in the winter. A shorter study period is also an issue because it will make it harder to study for exams.

The winter break is too short.

Shortened break

The summer break of ~3 months is plenty long (I'm always bored by the end), and while our winter break is long, I wouldn't choose to shorten the shorter break

I like winter break being long.

How would you have winter break courses? Would international students have enough time to travel to make going home worth it? ...just things to consider

reduces length of winter break

Classes start WAYYYYYYYYY TOOOOOO EARLY!!!!!!

Classes start way too early for fraternity recruitment purposes

Extremely early start to the semester if we are leaving school around december 22.

against moving semester earlier into january - creates disproportionate breaks; winter break would be too short and summer break would be too long exam period too long - ELIMINATE STUDY PERIOD, just have one exam week - this allows us to get out earlier without having to sacrifice winter break days

I think this takes too much away from Winter break, which is an important time for students to rest/explore opportunities. A variation you might consider is starting classes in the week of Martin Luther King day, but not the week before.

Too short of a Winter break.

Definitely starts much too early in January. Please don't do this! Winter break would be so short; we get out so late in December as is.

Don't want to be in Ithaca in the winter.

If you moved classes up one week, yes. But two weeks, and ending in April? Crazy. But it could work.

Cutting down on winter break to extend summer break is a terrible idea. Breaks should be more evenly spaced.

winter in ithaca is hard

WHY ARE YOU DOING THESE SCHEDULE CHANGES. I LIKE THE SCHEDULE. ALL THESE WOULD MAKE ME SAD. I don't want to start winter break on December 22nd and go back to school January 8th.... that's just silly.

February break still horribly placed. Ideally should belong right after the first round of prelims.

I don't think this would make much sense mostly because I don't think it's a good idea to shorten winter break!

Winter break is too short. Starting in Mid January is OK but Jan 8th seems excessively early.

For recruitment preparation, sororities would have to come back the day after New Years. This idea is terrible.

I think winter break should at most be cut early by a week. People don't realize how much rejuvenation they actually need before the spring semester.

Winter break should be longer for international students who have to travel very far to get home. It is also more affordable to travel in January than in May

I would like if our winter break was a little bit shorter, but it's disadvantageous for international students and students traveling farther to get home. Also, travel expenses are much higher because we would be returning just after the holidays.

I think the semester starts too early in this variation. A lot of students who are not able to study abroad due to rigorous academic schedules such as Engineering majors take advantage of January term study abroad programs. With this schedule, that is not possible. Also, because sorority and fraternity recruitment is a week before classes begin and many students already in Greek life arrive at least 5 days before formal recruitment starts to get ready, students would essentially have no winter break. While I like that the semester ends earlier in the spring, I do not like how it begins so much earlier.

This resolves the issue of a Spring break that is too late and the length of winter break. However, if we resolve these two issues students no longer need the Feb. break.

Tough for plans that currently exist over the winter break, training trips etc. Also the winter break is long which is an amazing mental reset.

Too early

As an international student, the longer winter break is really necessary. I don't get to go home during the semester so winter break and summer break are really important to me to see friends and family back home.

Winter break is too short. Would prefer classes to start about a week earlier than they do now, but under this plan, classes start too early.

Winter break becomes too short. Also, Ithaca is really cold in January.

The current winter break is very nice.

I like the long winter break

Winter Break would be far too short. The between-semester break is long out of necessity.

I like the original length of winter break

Having a long winter break is nice.

Given the options for Fall semester, we would have way too short of a winter break on par with those in the quarter system

I would prefer to have a longer winter break.

Much too early start in January so those days should be in May not Jan

This doesn't change anything important.

January 8th is too early to return

I would like the opportunity to travel internationally during my winter break and I will have no opportunity for that with the new schedule

It starts too early. An average start time around January 14 would be nice. We start too late now but this is much too early of a start after winter break.

start date too early. this leaves international students little time to spend at home.

Classes start too early. Why have two days of classes and then a long weekend? Most students will not come back to campus until after the long weekend since Fridays are mostly section anyways.

I don't think we should shorten the exam period.

Starting this earlier could make it difficult for international students to return from holiday celebrations. It will also drastically reduce the break of anyone involved in Greek life who has to come back early for recruitment. Also I like the study day in the middle of exams.

If rush is still before classes start we would have to fly back immediately after new years

I enjoy the long winter break

Slope day would be moved and when paired with a two day shorter exam/study period would be hard for students.

The winter break being long is important, not only reducing winter time in school but also allowing students to travel home (especially international students) and find opportunities during this period.

Again, really appreciate a longer winter break, thank you.

I like our current long winter break.

I rather start spring semester later so that I can commit to longer opportunities in the winter.

Winter break is way too short, especially if Fall Semester gets pushed later. Also, fraternities and sororities get no real break due to rush. Being in Ithaca in January also isn't ideal. There is a disruptive 3-day weekend right after school starts. Fall break is way too far into the semester and way too short considering there will be 5 weeks of classes before it. Spring Break still doesn't align with other schools'.

This reduces Winter Break by way too much. Ending early is nice, but I would prefer that time in the winter.

It makes winter break too short.

No. Like having winter break for rest and for winter internships.

Awkward break dates, especially for Greeks

Start classes later is better. Whenever we end in May doesn't matter since most internships/jobs start in June

Winters are so brutal here, that I appreciate getting back from Winter Break later, to avoid the cold January month.

I enjoy a long winter break

It's too cold. Better to start late in January and have a longer winter break

Long winter break allows for internships and other benefits

I like having a long winter break

To me, a few more days of break in January mean a lot more than a few more days of break in summer--it feels longer, compared to the length of the rest of the break we are considering.

this is also an awful idea. This would basically erase the greek life recruitment period

Now classes start too early. The whole semester should just be shifted one week earlier.

Winter break will be too short. Ithaca is extremely cold in January.

Too early to start back; reduces study period; summer is not too short

Again, many students, myself included, need a winter break (of current length) for finishing work that is not Cornell coursework. Without a long winter break, we would be unable to do so. (For example, unable to take the MCAT during our winter break when summer is usually best for long internships.) Summer break seems long enough as it

is. S3 would also require students to be on campus during the coldest part of the semester, which does not seem fair given how little winter maintenance is done and how students have no assurances that there would be snow days if weather conditions get too dangerous.

I like that we started late

This starts classes too early.

I prefer having more of January off.

Why is the exam period so short? This makes it feel too rushed for studying for those who might have other commitments during study days and who might also have a lot of exams right in a row.

The problem with the S3 calendar is that it dramatically cuts down winter break which is important for internships, vacation, test taking, or other opportunities.

I would prefer longer winter break. Ithaca's winter is so miserable and i wouldn't want to spend the whole January here.

When would fraternity and sorority recruitment be? Like the long winter break- very necessary.

We shouldn't start that Early because some people might not be back from vacations abroad for the holidays yet

The shorter winter break would make traveling hard for international students. Some might not even go home for break because traveling is expensive and Cornell may want to consider keeping the meal plan going throughout the break for the students that choose to stay.

I don't think that the winter break is too short. If we don't get to see May then it will be snowing all semester.

Moving spring break up and shortening finals week are good ideas though.

Cuts too much into Winter Break, I'd prefer the altered Fall schedule which lengthens Summer break in August over this

I'd rather not start that early, and this calendar still has Spring break at a really late time.

Reducing January break is not at all ideal for students who are preparing for upcoming classes or earning funds to support themselves over the upcoming semester. Although some internships do begin earlier in May, when Cornell students are preparing for finals, there are many opportunities which begin after the present exam period. The length of winter break must be preserved.

School starts too early.

Better spring break, but classes start way too early

Will result in a very short Winter break.

I like the longer winter breaks.

Though our winter break is long, it is useful for being able to make money between semesters. Also, since many cannot return home often it is nice to be able to spend time at home, especially when we are expected to have internships or jobs over the summer that might keep us from home then.

Why move the start of classes up 2 weeks? Why not just one week?

The early semester start date makes the winter break significantly shorter.

Study break needs to be long

I like how long the winter break is currently. It gives sufficient time to recover. It also is long enough to do extended travel or take a class

But enough winter break for international students.

I don't want to have shorter exam period.

I do not like that classes start so early and that the study period is shortened. And I don't like how changing the day that classes end changes Slope Day.

VERY MUCH DISAGREE. the long winter break is a good time to travel and/or destress from the previous semester. Ithaca is also nicer in the spring than it is in the middle of the winter so why shift the semester such that people are here during a longer portion of the winter than the spring. Also, members of greek life would be required to come back to campus before the new year as many organizations prepare nearly a week in advance of rush week, which precedes the week of classes.

Absolutely need the longer winter break. This would depress a lot of people. I feel like a lot of people have a comparable winter break and honestly it's necessary at Cornell for people to recharge. The academic rigor does not play nicely with a shorter winter break. Most employers don't start programs until into may so it would be wasted time.

This makes Greek rush impossible, as students come back for that over a week before school starts. I would be back at school for New Years, which is unacceptable.

I enjoy the longer winter break that we currently have.

This will probably push Cornell graduation to collide with other schools (e.g. Syracuse) and make hoteling even harder for parents. Also January in Ithaca is miserable.

You keep proposing that the winter break be shortened. I do not like this.

For weather reasons I would prefer to be in Ithaca more days in May than January

Starts too early, cuts our break by more than half of what it is now.

not 8 but a few more in january

Because winter is so cold in Ithaca it is still better for the Spring semester to start later. Most summer commitments (i.e. internships, jobs) do not begin until June anyway; summer break should not be extended through these means.

I'm not coming back early

NO! Not this one. No one wants to be back in Ithaca during the first week of January. That's hardly a winter break. My eye is twitching looking at this calendar. No NO no

Cutting study periods is a terrible idea

And where do winter session courses go, exactly? Also, I spend those weeks working; I guess I could shift that to summer, but that leaves my boss back home short-handed in January. Again, the Thursday start sucks, as does the very early break; we might as well just start the next week on Tuesday.

January is cold

Yuck, starting school on the 8th is too early, especially if the last day of exams is the 22nd of December. International students would barely be home.

I personally enjoyed the long break between semesters. It was nice to be able to relax for a while. Also, that wouldn't leave much time for winter break.

i like the longer winter break

The winter break is long but maybe by one week, not two.

too early for those taking winter classes

Terrible to have more winter classes during the harsh winter season

Long exam period is better

This calendar makes winter break far too short.

Longer winter break is better

Winter break is too short, especially if the fall calendar is shifted up.

Don't want to start earlier

I like a later start and a later end.

Cuts winter break too short (time between semesters is important) and eliminates the winter session

This is by far the worst. By only allowing a two-week winter break, you are giving students next to no time to relax after the fall semester or to work during the break. I am very surprised this is even up for consideration. The summer is not too short.

Makes winter break too short

Winter break ends much too early compared to the current schedule. A one week shift forward could be okay, but starting in early January is not preferable. It also shortens the length of time for potential externship opportunities.

want longer winter break

I think this would affect many student organizations who hold events in the beginning weeks of January negatively.

First of all, the layout of the calendar framework is almost impossible to follow. Second, I am not sure moving the few days of the early Fall semester in August to December, is a great idea. Since many people are having difficulties flying during the holidays, since airfares are ridiculously expensive the week before Christmas. Third, the spring break being switched with February break may sound to be an attractive idea, since it might match up with other schools who are having spring break. Lastly, having a shorter exam period is a lot better than 10-13 days, since many students have distributed exam timings and that becomes an issue as to when a student can head out of town. Thank you for your time and I apologize if my comments sound somewhat lengthy.

A long winter break is favorable to student health and well-being. Only the current winter break format achieves that.

Reduces amount of time we can spend with family on the holidays, reduces time for students taking Winter Break courses.

with greek recruitment before the first week of spring classes and initiated members having to come back even earlier than that, this schedule would call for a jan. 1 return date which would make the break only 2 weeks or so. additionally this could create complications for winter break externships or international students travel plans with such a short break may be hard to justify financially

Significantly shortens break.

We don't need to start this early. Why not just start the week of the 15th

I would rather a longer winter break than a shorter semester at the end.

Going back to school on January 8th makes the winter break extremely short for those returning to Ithaca one or even two weeks early, for fraternity/sorority rush and sports teams. An early spring break is nice, but the winter break would be too short. This is unreasonable

This would be coming back so early compared to everyone else. What would happen with sports and greek life? (not that greek life is all that important for academics haha but they would probably have some negative opinions)

School starts too early in January

Starts too early, also what about winter session??

While I agree Commencement is late, I think it's only one week late. Shifting two weeks is too much of a change.

NO, TOO LESS TIME FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS DURING WINTER BREAK. DON'T DO IT!

Coming back to school is way too early. Students need a real break from the stressful environment of Cornell without having to have an internship or job. Do not do this calendar for the sake of a student's mental health. Yes, I said mental health.

A longer winter break enables students to work while they are home No intermittent study days

Start will be starting too early in the cold winter with the new schedule

Starting this early will be harmful to people needing to travel long distances and cannot travel home often

This cuts out winter session entirely as a possibility, and most external summer programs don't start until the end of May anyway.

I like having a long winter break.

wouldn't want to start that early in January

I like having an actual winter break.

ESPECIALLY with the later end in the Fall -- this schedule is terrible for international students / students going abroad. Makes traveling too expensive and not worth it. Indifferent to the repositioning of Spring Break by a week, but a definite NO to beginning early.

The winter break is too short.

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

What happens to rush and all the other pre-spring semester events? I also think this shortens winter break way too much

too early to go back

Start way too early.

I don't want winter break to be that short

Not sure how I feel about winter break being that short (if we end in almost late December)

for those in Greek life we would need to return so soon after New Year's

Shorter winter break

Winter break would end too early.

Definitely Disagree, classes should not start earlier in January

I do not like fewer study days; however, I do like making the semester starting earlier and ending earlier.

Jan 8 is way too early to start classes.

Study period needs to be long

Classes start too early in January

I like the shortening of the January break. I do not like losing study days before finals.

The Study/Exam period is not too long.

Definitely not this - it would push January orientation and rush week WAY too early (the week before classes start or right after New Year's) meaning that chapter embers would have to come back right after Christmas and miss time with family/time at home - there is absolutely no way that this is acceptable.

Don't see how this would work with winter classes, recruitment, etc.

Winter break and study period is too short

DEFINITELY NO. I do not want my classes leaking into January.

Why shorten the winter break when it is freezing and take days away from good may weather. I'd rather stay more in the spring then come back early during winter.

Being an international student, winter break is the few times I get to visit home as the summer is used for internships

makes winter break too short and impossible to get a job during that break without the extra week

start too early

I think most people would prefer to have a longer winter break

This would interfere with recruitment

The long Winter break is so useful in terms of recharging and students take winter classes or do winter internships. This time is needed and should not be removed.