

S3UgradUnsure

Shorter winter break and longer summer is better; two breaks are good. Study period was a bit too long.

More conventional schedule. Better for summer internships

finish around same time as peers and can start internships earlier

earlier graduation!

it is very helpful for people with internships for us to end early so people are able to actually have a break

Like starting and ending early.

Commencement on Memorial Day weekend is late

Allows students to have a full 3 months for an internship.

I'm pretty ambivalent to this one. I do think it is important to have a study day in between exam days. And I would prefer the later start/end dates to the earlier ones

This is by far the best plan I have seen; the summer break is way too short as is. It is very difficult to find internships because most companies want to hire someone for longer than we are on break; also, they want interns to start earlier than is possible with our current calendar. I would 100% support this plan for the spring calendar.

Definitely move commencement up Prefer the Jan 14 start date which is very comparable to a lot of schools

Currently we start and end too late compared to my peers.

This winter break is better. However, I would not want winter break to start any later than it currently does if we go with S3 for the spring. I think we should graduate earlier so that students have more time before they start their jobs/internships or so that they can even start their jobs/internships on time.

I like how we would end earlier because i feel that our summer is too short and unnecessarily so.

Makes spring break a little earlier, but not too early.

love this plan

By the end of winter break many students are ready to come back

This lines up more with other schools and allows for the proper positioning of breaks.

This is a really good plan because it makes sure we get out at a decent time in the summer as well as making the spring break a week earlier in the year. This plan, or some variation of this plan combined with S2, would be an amazing formulation.

Following the latest value of starting in S2, this helps with internships and such for the summer

Much better. We have a super long winter break regardless. This allows for reasonably positioned breaks, us to end earlier, and just all around better. However, I still have concerns about shortening the exam period.

Winter Break would be too short

I like early start.

Shorter winter break and an earlier summer start

Our winter break is far too long

This is great! Winter break gets a bit long anyway. It's good to move february break later and to have spring break a little earlier. The reduced exam period is also good. The best part is getting out so much earlier for summer.

Cornell's Winter Break is very long, and can afford to be cut shorter in exchange for starting summer vacation earlier - opens up more possibilities for students looking for summer research jobs/internships that have strict predetermined start/end dates, as they can now either start summer jobs earlier or have time to relax before starting a job

This makes the unnecessarily long winter break shorter, and allows for a longer summer, and still allows for a lengthy study period before exams, which is absolutely necessary.

ABSOLUTELY THE BEST. YESSSSSS. I get out early and we can get back to work to get it all over with. The winter break we have now is way too long. This is perfect

Moving earlier into January and ending earlier in May is better for summer internships and works better with other school's academic calendars.

Not sure if this is necessary, but this could work.

This is really good. I think winter break is currently too long, and I would greatly appreciate having a longer summer/earlier last exam date to have time with my family before internships starts. The only flaw I see is that moving the start of the semester will affect greek rush. Unsure how this will affect it.

this helps start summer earlier which is good

This is better because we get out earlier and spring break makes more sense, but I think we may start a little too early here (a few days later would be better).

This is much better and similar to other schools on the East Coast. Time is better spent in the summer than on an extra long winter break.

Summer is too short, winter is too long

I like this one the best. Normal spring break while also still having February break. Still end on a normal time compared to other schools well before Memorial Day.

Allows us to end earlier

Agree that summer is too short and our winter break is too long. This would even help with internships for students who live in the south. I was recently rejected from an internship because I don't get out of school early enough for them. Their program starts early to mid May and I would have needed to get out of school earlier to work for them.

We already go back to campus on a later date than many other schools so having everything earlier would be nice.

Yes! Summer break needs to start sooner. This would allow students with 12 week internships to properly fit it in during the summer (where as now it's a tight fit). To piggy back off my S2 comments I would also suggest a switch of the two breaks, but this is still good.

The winter break is way too long.

This is perfect, get out earlier which is great for internships that start early. Feb break is aligned with local schools and farther into semester because of early start. Spring break it at a normal time. Exam period is shortened

shorter winter break but longer summer break for internships, etc; spring break is earlier

Yes, the longer summer is helpful for summer opportunities!

I love this. Commencement is a tad early though

Much better for students with internships over the summer and looks much more similar to the schedule of most other schools.

Cornell's late January start date is unusually late in comparison to most other schools. I support moving the start date to an earlier time so that we can get out earlier in mid-May along with many of the other schools in the nation.

Spring break is earlier, final day is earlier and February break is still part of the calendar

I like this simple shift. Please have spring start and end earlier, its so important in order to get started on internships quicker and just overall work better in relation to other schools. Winter break is way too long

The earlier summer is beneficial for students seeking internships. However, the timeline seems pushed a little too much.

however much i'd hate to be in ithaca when it's so cold, i think that our winter break is way to long.

I like the longer summer break for internships

Yes. Thank you. Winter break too long. I had to change my internship length because summer break is currently too short because of stupid long winter break.

better spring break and I would rather start earlier and end earlier than have a longer january break and end later

Everyone agrees that winter break is far too long and time is usually completely wasted in those last weeks of February. Moving the calendar up almost 2 weeks would be very beneficial for everyone

This aligns our spring break with many other colleges, and also allows students to go to internships on time.

Only issue here is that people in Greek life already have to come back early so this will shorten their break even more.

Summer is too short and this could effect internship opportunities

better start and end dates

This is a great option. Most people would rather start summer early than continue with our unnecessarily long winter break. The improvement of the spring and feb break schedule is also critical and would allow people to see their peers from other schools. Please, on behalf of all of Cornell, do this.

I like this framework the best of all of them. School starts earlier so winter break does not just feel like a waste of time (because winter internships are scarce, and there is not that much that you can accomplish in a month). In addition, school ends earlier and spring breaks align so you can see your friends during break and actually start a summer internship on time.

The Winter break is too long so starting the spring semester earlier is much better. Location of spring break is good

I would prefer having Commencement be earlier in order to have more opportunities in summer internships.

Having a early summer break can help finding a summer intern.

The semester doesn't end late, and spring break is a little earlier, which is good!

Solves most important issue of too long winter break and too short summer. Jan 8 is pretty early to start though

This would be perfect! Starting and ending earlier is great, especially since we end so late compared to other schools. Also, spring break is slightly earlier to please those who think it is too late, but winter sports teams wouldn't miss out.

!!! We can get done earlier so that we'd have some time to relax before internships start!

I like how Spring Break is earlier like some of the other East Coast schools. I like the shortened study period

It is good to make winter break a bit shorter in S3. I would have the first day of classes by January 14.

So I actually liked this plan because it keeps the February Break when students need it and it also shifts the time that we start school to something a bit more in line with other universities nationwide. It would place more of a strain for those doing international travel, whether for leisure or service. I also like that the school year ends earlier allowing people more time with their families before entering the workforce after graduation or allowing continuing students the opportunity to have time at home before beginning internships. I still don't like the shortened exam period, but if the variation was adapted, I think it would be better.

Making a longer summer provides more opportunities for summer employment.

January classes should start earlier

longer summer

Why reinvent the wheel? Most other colleges have spring semesters like this one.

It is a WAY better idea to start the semester earlier in January and end sooner in May. Students can't really do anything useful or fun during winter break because they can't get internships, go outside, etc. over one month in the winter.

Summer internships & commitments are feasible This allows the break to truly be one, leaving just enough time to get ready for the next semester.

I like the idea of starting earlier

this is by far the best option but still disagree with shortening study period

Better break positioning

BUT fewer days should be moved into January. Makes more sense to have a similar last day schedule with Slope Day

Would love to have a longer summer, 10/10 would make it easier to find a job

YES! Our winter break is far too long. It would help make our summers shorter and spring break would come at a better time of the year.

Winter break is too long

I personally like it but greek life does recruitment before school starts in january and they may be very unhappy with this change.

Our late semester end date is sometimes a challenge for students searching for internships. However something to consider is how this would affect Greek recruitment week.

YES! move graduation up PLEASE. I start my job less than a month after graduation and for people who start June 1 it is incredibly stressful.

This is by far the best option for the spring semester. It makes winter break an appropriate length, and puts us more on schedule with other schools. Please make this change.

I enjoy starting classes earlier, but I don't enjoy moving spring break because it might not correlate with a lot of other colleges.

I like the idea of starting earlier in January and getting out earlier in May

Because spring break is currently weird, can't organize things we friends outside Cornell.

Best variant of the Spring schedule. Makes the winter break a good length and improves summer break for many students with jobs.

Since the University seems bent on taking away study days, I'll accept it in this case. While I still think the study week should look as it currently does, beginning school earlier is MUCH BETTER than beginning as late as we do. The placement of February and Spring Recess make much more sense, and this gives us time to prepare for work and internships between finishing finals and starting work, as opposed to the current schedule, which necessitates that we move directly from one to the other.

I like starting earlier and ending earlier

I would prefer a longer summer

This makes the time between Feb break and spring break equal to the time between spring break and the last day of classes. This also lengthens the summer.

Good. I love that exams would start in April. Also nice to have commencement before Memorial Day. Still think February break should be done away with.

Cornell gets out much later than other colleges, this schedule fixes this

The winter break IS MOST DEFINITELY TOO LONG. Students hate it. Even international students who travel back home for that time. Although winter break is important, 3-3.5 weeks is more than enough and no student needs 5 weeks off. It drags and it is difficult to find work / internships over such breaks. It would be MUCH BETTER to have a slightly shorter winter break, and start the spring semester early so that students can either start summer work earlier / travel home before starting summer work.

Students may be unmotivated to continue having class in May. Having an earlier Commencement is also ideal.

S3 is the best option because the breaks are evenly distributed throughout the semester, and the fact that each break increases in length allows us to catch on more material that we might have missed that accumulated throughout the weeks. I also like it because it reduces our winter break (which is insufficient time, for the most part, to find an internship or job anyway), thus increasing the length of our summer break.

Longer summer break for a slightly shorter winter one, absolutely worth the trade-off.

I like this option the best -- currently, Cornell does have a much later graduation date compared to other universities. This gives graduating seniors more time to start their jobs early and solves the problem of the shorter summer break as noted in the F1 for remaining students.

I love that we start and get out earlier! But maybe move the Jan 15 break to a couple weeks later in the semester.

Many internships and jobs want you to start in May - too difficult with the current calendar/graduation schedule.

Current start date for second semester is far too late.

like that classes begin and end earlier

Winter break is way too long and I get really bored. Also, I really like being able to finish finals that much sooner to start summer plans earlier.

The current winter break is too long and the current summer break starts too late. February break is better placed in S3 as well.

Yes this looks great! Winter break is way too long and summer is too short so we should shift back into January. This also makes February break a little further into the semester which is good. Spring break is placed well, too. This should be our new spring schedule!

cuts down on our ridiculously long winter break, end early

Starting and ending earlier is good, as winter break is too long. It's good to have our spring break math with that of our peers, and S3 also provides a more regular space between breaks. Again, I think starting classes on any day but a Monday is arbitrary (and screws up sections), and while I would be willing to start courses on MLK Jr. Day I realize that it could be controversial. However, starting on a Th/Fri would probably mean few students would bother showing up to those first classes.

Getting out early is cool

yes we can get a break before internships start in the summer which would be amazing

I really think we should be getting out for summer earlier. This is a slightly larger move into winter break than I wanted. I was thinking start the week of Jan 15 with a four day week, but I do think we need to end earlier for a longer summer.

I would rather be home earlier in May. By the end of winter break my family had gone back to work and I felt lonely at home (although this contradicts what I said earlier about a long winter break). I think I would rather be home earlier in December but not have to wait so long into January to start the new semester. All in all, I think being home by early to mid-May would be great.

This is by far the best calendar! Breaks are evenly placed because we start earlier and end earlier.

Lengthens summer and syncs up breaks better.

more time for summer internships

I like this idea! My only concern is whether there will be housing available for students wishing to stay over the summer when the semester ends so early.

Having a break every 5 weeks is desperately needed.

Winter break is too long currently.

Getting out earlier gives a little more time to be home for students traveling for summer programs.

Longer summer

There is no reason to have a 5 week plus winter break! Also, students with internships or summer positions need GPA as soon as possible to confirm the position. This is very challenging to obtain given the current schedule

Love it!!! It would be great to end that early in may

Winter break is too long as of now. Starting and ending earlier here is a great idea. Plus id actually be done with finals on my birthday for a change (May 14)

An earlier spring break is better, and winter break is too long so shortening it is also good

Yes much better. Moving the may days into January is perfect

It would be nice to start earlier, the last few weeks of break in January tend to drag on.

Spring semester needs to begin earlier, this schedule adequately addresses this.

I like that we start early and end early since I have always felt that we started too late and ended too late in comparison to our peers and just in general. However, this is two weeks early in both regards - I would much prefer 1 week earlier.

Nice to get out earlier so it doesn't conflict as much with internship/job schedules.

Start summer break early

YES. We start classes so late into January, our winter break is unnecessarily long, our graduation date is really late and that impacts people's job start dates.

Starting earlier in January helps me access more summer internships and waste less time on winter break that is too short to do meaningful work during.

We do need a longer summer break, and a shorter winter break.

NEED TO COME BACK FROM WINTER BREAK EARLIER!!! we are home for so so long and it is a waste of time

Earlier start and end dates for the semester and an earlier spring break better fits with most other school schedules.

Winter break sometimes feels too long and students lose productivity. This way we get 3 weekend breaks dispersed through the semester equally, We get out in May so we can enjoy Ithaca weather, We have full week classes that doesn't confuse the professors/students with syllabus information.

I support shorter winter break, longer summer break and reducing study period

Winter break is not too long. Earlier summer is better for summer internships and overall good length of summer break. Spring break is a good time, to align with other school's spring breaks.

This addresses pretty much all of the major scheduling issues with the spring semester, I believe this would make students' lives substantially easier. I do support the 12-day exam period variation, because I feel like having two days of class before a 2 day weekend is kind of pointless, but at least with 3 days all of the first day of class intro stuff can get out of the way and then the next week can begin with more momentum.

More exam days is better

The summer break needs to start earlier, so this option fixes that issue and manages to keep the February break, which is essential for the student's mental health. With Formal Recruitment occurring before the spring semester,

this would be a little too early to start. If classes started on Jan 8, it would mean girls in sororities would have to come back to campus around January 1 or earlier (which brings back the expensive flight issue. The best case would be to start between Jan 10 and 14th.

This is what most schools do. It aligns with the schedules with my friends with home and lengthens summer

The winter break is far too long, many people have to come back to school earlier anyways for sports, work or other reasons. A longer summer break enables greater opportunity for internships and employment.

This schedule works much better for students who want to work during the summer!!!!

An earlier spring break as well as earlier start to summer is a better format, but Cornell's spring break is still in an unusual week. This is the best option by far

As much as I love the long winter break, this is a more productive schedule. The long break makes you feel like you need to get a job or something during that period, and it is weird compared to other institutions.

Winter break is extremely long and unproductive time. Moving academic days to January reduces this large break and extends more productive break time in the summer.

I think winter break is too long

All my friends back home are out of school by the end of April, so anything that brings our schedule more in line with that is a welcome change. This also would solve some people's problem that February Break is too close to the start of school.

The S3 calendar option is probably the best option in terms of having a balanced class day streak and well-positioned breaks. Its greatest advantage is placing commencement two weeks earlier while only adding eight days to the beginning of the semester. It is also much better to have the semester begin earlier and also end earlier; the winter break is cumbersome and long, and merely encroaches on the summer. The current calendar has classes starting and ending later than they do at other schools, and a later summer vacation makes it very difficult to plan and secure summer internships or research programs if there is a set program start date. Many peers and I have been frustrated by the loss of opportunities due to the late start of summer vacation, and starting the semester earlier is a "sacrifice" to some that would be worth it. I would personally prefer an earlier start to the semester because it allows me to get on campus earlier to get started on research and contact professors for summer program recommendations and general advising. Overall, I think this general structure of the semester should be maintained (shorter break before longer break), with the goal to end the semester as early as possible, even if it means starting it a bit earlier.

Winter break was always longer than our peers, making summer internships very difficult for CS/ECE students. Having a longer summer will allow us to start internships with other students from semester schools and be able to work for a full 12 weeks instead of 10. This is by far the best schedule.

Starting earlier in January sounds great

Favorite calendar change of all. Earlier start time and earlier finish time

Winter is unnecessarily long.

Our winter break is too long and our summer too short. This helps both of those issues. It also solves the awkward placement of the breaks. This schedule seems great!

Yes please! Winter break is too long, and this would make scheduling internships so much easier.

Last summer I had to start my internship 2 weeks late because the spring schedule goes so long.

YES this is beautiful, winter break is way too long, being finished with school before summer is very great opportunity for internships and going back to my home country, please shorten winter break

Currently winter break is longer than necessary and it would be nice to have more time off in may.

Earlier start day.

This is great. There is no reason for our winter break to be so long.

This is my personal favorite because it makes the semester start earlier.

It moves the calendar to start school a week early, which is fantastic. At the same time, the breaks make sense too.

Get out much earlier in May

Getting out early would help students be able to have a break before starting internships/jobs in June or would allow them to have internships as I missed out on an internship because they wanted me to start mid May and we didn't end until May 25.

It's nice to start the summer earlier and frankly, we start school way too late comparing to all my peers who start school in the middle of Jan. I believe this is the best calendar so far that I have seen.

Even though this would mean getting out of school EVEN EARLIER than I already do compared to my peers, I think a long summer break is a good idea, and winter break could be a little shorter

This allows biology students to take field jobs which start in mid May

I believe this would put the university on a schedule more common to other schools across the country. Earlier commencement is more valued than an extended winter break.

Starts earlier, removes long awkward bit

Yes!!! The winter break is far too long so this improves on that front

Our semester does start late compared to other schools. I wouldn't mind winter break being a little shorter. An earlier start to summer is good

I do hear of students getting bored from the long winter break, and wouldn't mind getting out sooner.

LOVE earlier spring break and get out earlier

Getting out in early may would help with internship/job opportunities

Yes! Fits all across the board.

Longer summer is great, but with both systems two weeks of winter might be too short, three weeks would be perfect if possible. And spring break a week earlier in the calendar is good too for matching with other schools, for families with different colleges.

As it is we get back to school way too late and as a result we stay way too late as well. This schedule solves that problem. I believe both breaks are ESSENTIAL to anyone taking their academics seriously, as they give adequate time to prepare for midterms. The "shorter" study break does not bother me as we still get 4 days leading up, and once exams start, days in between don't help everyone equally. This option is perfect.

This is a really great schedule. This addresses a major problem of Cornell's late end date. However, I would not reduce the number of study days; that would only add unnecessary stress to students. I really hope this is implemented for next year.

easier start for internships/jobs

This is a huge improvement to the current calendar. For student with internships, it is hugely helpful to be able to see their families over the summer, which is often impossible under the current calendar. It is far more beneficial to spend a week off in the summer and one less off in the winter. With this schedule, even those in greek life get a reasonable winter break and those with internships are able to see their families.

Start the day after the break day and add a study day to the MIDDLE of finals then I love this calendar

Moving spring semester earlier is a great idea

S3 framework is by far the best option. My primary complaint with Spring semester is that it starts too late!

Ending in mid-May instead of late May works better in terms of summer opportunities, many of which start too early given our current schedule. Also, winter break is too long.

Really like this! Would like to push the spring semester earlier and to end earlier. Breaks would match up with other schools better as well.

S3 lengthens the summer while keeping both breaks during the semester

No need for a long winter break - earlier summer will allow for internships

I think winter break is too long

This would be great! I like starting earlier and getting out earlier. Maybe starting right after January 15th would be better because those two days of classes before it seem pointless.

Endings earlier would be nice but when would rush week happen?

A longer summer break would allow more time for internships and other activities.

Our winter break is way too long. 6 weeks is basically a summer, and taking two weeks away from that still gives us a lengthy break, but also allows us to retain more information, avoid break boredom, and get out of school much earlier for the summer.

This allows for a longer summer break allowing students to get jobs or internships that can maintain for a longer period of time while it's hard to get a job or internship for the two or three weeks of January break so it's better to shorten it.

YES! we end at a good time in may. Don't start up too late in Jan

Starts earlier. Very nice. We should have class on MLK Day though

This is a much better calendar. Most summer internships start the week of May 20th, so the current calendar limits a lot of internships. In addition, February break is quite early in the semester and does not provide a super useful break. by moving the semester earlier but leaving the break where it is, it helps us during prelim season.

An earlier start to the semester is very worth a longer summer break.

Starting earlier is good.

I like this except for the reduction in the study period. Please implement this schedule with the regular study period. Also, maybe push Spring Break up one more week.

I like the spring break. Wouldn't want the semester to start before January 14th

decreases winter break and increases summer break

This is for sure what you should do. With the 12-day exam period option - we honestly need every day we can get (remember that our peers inflate grades more than we do).

graduation is too late and so are exams and cut into internships

but I like the longer finals period

I really like this schedule and how we get to go back to school early in January and how we get out a lot earlier in May. I think this aligns better with other school's spring semester schedules, and I really like this.

We currently start too late and end too early, especially compared to other colleges.

This would be ideal because it allows for the semester to end much earlier, which is invaluable when it comes to seeking out internships and summer jobs!

I think that although this creates a shorter time for winter break, it is still long enough that the payoff of a longer summer greatly outweighs the loss. More internship and travel opportunities are accessible over the break, once it is extended. Moving the spring break earlier allows it to be at the same time as other schools, during which more students will be able to spend time with their friends from their hometowns. Also, starting before Martin Luther

King Jr. Day creates another small break for students early in the semester, similar to the Labor Day break in the fall. I believe this is the best proposal for the Spring Semester change.

THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT I WANT for the love of god please initiate this change. Few nitpicky things: the two day week to start, followed by a three day weekend-ridiculous. Those two days of class will be meaningless and that weekend and monday would just be a waste and January 8th is a lil early. Honestly, just take the loss of one day of class. It really isn't that much and the schedule would make more sense. Slash and burn the exam period the thing should honestly just be a week. The reading period is useless. But overall, I would be so, so happy if this was our exam schedule I mean it's close to perfect and what we have isn't working. YES YES YES TO THIS SCHEDULE IT SOLVES EVERYTHING

Makes winter break a more reasonable length, and gives us longer summers for internships. better distribution of breaks

Ends earlier which is good. Allows for more time to work during the summer.

Winter break is much too long right now. This solves that problem and gives us extra time in the summer for internships/research.

Longer summer.

This option is much more reasonable. The current Winter Break is much too long and the current schedule puts Cornell students at a disadvantage in terms of summer jobs/internships which need students to start in early May. Compared to other schools, we get out unnecessarily late and have too long of a winter break. This is not conducive for summer internships.

I am in favor of shortening winter break and lengthening summer by as much possible since I would rather be home to help during harvesting season on the farm.

We need to end earlier for summer internships. Winter break is way too long and needs to be reduced

spring break would line up with easter

This is definitely best

It would be nice to have this semester line up with other schools as shown here. Currently, we are released to late in May.

Longer summer break, shorter winter break than current

The spring break is perfectly positioned to not be too early or too late. In addition, winter break can be said to be too long

Breaks are better spread apart. Graduation being before memorial day is better, and summer is longer which is appreciated. The only down side is starting school a little earlier and being in Ithaca with the colder winter weather.

Don't shorten the exam period please. Everything else is better though

I like this plan because it deals well with moving spring break a little earlier and deals with the biggest issue that Cornell ends much later than other schools and makes it difficult to get to internships.

We usually have a very long winter break compared to other schools. Shortening it allows our spring break to align a bit better with other schools while also getting out of school earlier in the year.

So long as the beginning of Winter Break is not moved, I think that starting earlier in January would be an improvement, as the break would allow for a rest but not drag on. Also, the summer starting earlier would allow for more ease in things like internships or other summer activities.

The end date is much earlier

Solves late commencement and early feb break. Great schedule. 10/10

Makes sense! We need a shorter december break

The breaks are more evenly distributed. Yet, if a fall calendar ending at most on December 22 is adopted, S3 would be an absolutley awful idea. Two and half weeks of winter break is not reasonable and would discourage me to

enroll in the University.

Winter break often feels too long.

Ending earlier is better. Winter break is a little too long now too.

BEST OPTION. Now we don't end classes so late and are similar schedules with other universities

a shorter winter break is worth a longer summer vacation and spring break aligns with that of other schools

winter break is too long

Winter break is too long and we end almost in June. This takes care of both of those issues. I like this option the best of S1, S2, and S3.

Earlier break earlier exams

Best one

The winter breaks are too long. Most students are not learning during that time.

Winter break is awkwardly long and this would really help with that

This is good, winter break was too long

More time for internships/vacation in the summer, less "useless" time over winter break.

this is one is second best behind S4.

This looks really great! By Jan. 8-14 I am ready to go back to school and feel well rested and ending earlier allows for a real break before internships start (I actually have friends who have turned down internships since they aren't done with finals in time for the start date). Additionally, I rather have free time when the weather is nice than when it's the middle of winter. The Spring break is more conventionally placed which is also very nice!

This schedule aligns much better with other schools

Yes this is a good schedule. It is better to go back earlier and end earlier. It also helps to have our breaks align more with other schools. It lets us work longer at internships that we have over the summer. We do not need as long of a break over the winter; there is nothing to do at home, there is a lot to do at home over summer.

Allows for a shorter overall school year and more summer job time

I like that the school year ends earlier.

This is the best option because it makes it easier for students to get summer internships as they usually start earlier in May. This also distributes the breaks better as there is an equal amount of time between them all.

We need a longer summer break so that Internship dates are better timed

Winter break is too long under the current calendar and this calendar fixes that. It's better for summer internships too. Best one yet.

STRONGLY AGREE! THIS IS A MUCH BETTER SOLUTION! I would rather be done earlier in May for internships and have an earlier commencement!

ending early is great, it's ok to have a relatively short break for winter

It makes it easier for us to gain summer internships due to us ending earlier.

Earlier exit in May is better; but, that is pretty early to come back to school in Jan.

We don't need a long winter break, but this is great because it lengthens the summer to allow for internships. It still keeps the winter break long enough for a full rest period.

This is the best so far. Spring break is comparable to our peers.

Starts earlier which is awesome since Winter Break is wayyyyyyy too long. Also i like that the last week of classes is still a full week.

The longer summer and a moved up spring break are both A+. Couldn't recommend more. By far the best option.

Because we get out earlier in May without compromising the breaks.

Perfect start and end date, spring break is perfectly placed

MUCH better! This ends the semester much earlier, and a longer summer is much needed! Furthermore, I agree that the between-semester break is unnecessarily long, so it is good to cut it short. S3 is a great calendar.

Yes, this starts and ends at the right time. This is good as long as the fall semester doesn't as late as the 22nd.

This is good; i want a longer summer break and shorter winter break

This works.

It is much better to end earlier in May for internships and other things, and decrease winter break.

I see this as the best option. Starting the semester earlier and ending it earlier is beneficial in many ways. Anyone that is applying for internships gets more options and/or more opportunity to take a break at home with family before the start of the internship. It also makes more of the summer season available for break. And it allows students from locations where high schools graduate in May (versus the typical June for New York) to be back for senior commencement of siblings. This also moved the spring break a week earlier, which is close to that of other universities.

It is better when we begin earlier and end earlier during the spring semester. Also, our spring break will be a bit earlier which is better.

Get done sooner

I do not like shortening the exam period, but starting/ ending the semester earlier than now seems ideal.

Better to end early

This makes a lot of sense. Our holiday/December break is way too long.

This is exactly as it should be. It allows for students to apply for competitive internships which start in late May, and it reduces the length of winter break so that it isn't too long.

Shorter winter break is great

Cornell's Spring semester starts and ends much later than other universities'. The only negative is that February break is now in the middle of Prelim season.

Extends the length of summer break.

THIS IS THE BEST IDEA EVER. Summer breaks are really hard for people who have internships because they don't get to see their family or have any time actually off. Equally so winter break always feels one week too long.

Furthermore this solves the issue of having such an awkwardly placed February break because it is later in the semester. Please do this one it would solve so many of my issues

Way better calendar organization

get out of school earlier

I feel like this is a good fit because it enables summer to be shorter and allows people to have a longer summer.

Winter break is too long, and we get out too late.

Semester starts starts earlier, so longer summer break.

Earlier summer break

Although I still don't like shortening the exam schedule, all of the other alterations improve the spring semester greatly. This solves most of its current problems.

the spring semester should end a little earlier. i would like to have another study day though or a refiguring of the exam period, but generally this schedule is alright.

SO MUCH BETTER No more long winter break no one knows what to do with Can start internships late May

Earlier commencement lengthens the summer. The January break is too long, so shortening it makes sense. Here, the breaks better break up the semester.

The five week long winter break is too long, and I get bored at home. I begin to miss school after two weeks. Also, I wouldn't mind coming earlier if I get to home home sooner; by the end of the semester, all I want is to go home.

I think the overall placement of the semester is better in S3. Would consider the variation for longer study period

Yes! Such a long summer

A longer summer break is more beneficial than a longer winter break, although maybe this is a little bit too early of a start (perhaps start Jan 16th instead)

I'd rather have more summer than winter.

The school year would end at a reasonable date

This would allow for more summer break. I appreciate that.

Spring break should be earlier, and the Spring semester should start early - winter break is way too long. Also, summer isn't long enough for internships currently - need another week

out earlier for internships, get back earlier and around same time as other schools from winter break

I agree starting earlier in January makes sense. Earlier spring break also makes sense. I like earlier summer.

While winter break would be shorter, I would get home earlier for the summer (perhaps on my birthday!), and have an extra break day.

Looks good, but what happens to winter session?

I like this one best out of all the possible change scenarios (for both the Fall and Spring semesters). It balances out the timing of breaks well and decreases the exam period. However, it makes more sense to start right after Martin Luther King Day and just move those two class days to May.

I like long summer

I think it would be beneficial to start the semester earlier. The more even spacing of the breaks will also help to reduce anxiety.

This is the best. Our spring semester ends too late and our winter break is also a week too long.

Get done earlier and all breaks are positioned well

Winter break is too long anyway so it's ok to start classes earlier. This means the semester will end alter which is good because it allows students to start internships earlier.

I still don't like the shortened exam period. I do like the earlier start. Our winter break is way too long and our summer isn't long enough.

Shorter winter break

I would not mind starting earlier if it meant that I could end the school year earlier. However, I think January 8th is very early.

Break placement is good but summer starts way too early

This is great! I have often felt winter break to be too long. This fixes the problem of having February break feel like it comes too early in the semester, and it allows for a longer summer period (important for people who want to work 12 week internships while also spending some time off)

YES! we already get out so so so late and winter break is so long!

I LIKE THIS SCHEDULE A LOT. Winter break is way too long, and we get out so much later in May than every other school! Our spring break will finally occur at a "normal" time.

Helps a lot. Means I can go home and visit family before doing an internship.

I like ending for summer break earlier!

Longer Summer! Winter break is too long anyways

I prefer a shorter winter break and longer summer break. More time to work and complete internships in the summer.

This is perfect. The end of the semester lines up much better with the starts of internships in this schedule. The space between breaks is excellent. Having nearly all of January off has been excessive and not useful.

much better to start earlier and end earlier. i feel like we are one of the few schools that starts our semesters so late.

Cornell Students miss out on some summer internship opportunities because our summer begins so late-- this can help solve these problems.

Perfect Start time. Move spring break a week or two sooner. Short exam times

I like this, but I know some of my friends don't. I'm from the South and my siblings go back on the 8th or 9th and I don't know what to do with myself during that time as there normally isn't anything going on that late. And then I get out two weeks after them in the summer and so we can't do anything in the summer as a family. Also, applying to internships, a lot of them want a start date that is currently during finals week so that they get the whole summer. That means that, even if I push it a few days, I'm going straight into an internship from finals and then it ends barely a week before the next semester starts. I know this is the case for other Engineering students too.

We start earlier here. That makes me very happy. :)

Start and end at a normal time. Much much better for those with 12-week summer internships.

Start summer internships earlier

i dont want spring break in freaking april

TOTALLY AGREE we get out WAYYYYY too late in May, this would be so much better i would rather come back earlier in january and go home earlier in may when its warm and my friends and family are home and not working as much It's better for starting internships. Yeah it would suck coming back to school that early, especially since we get out in late December, but most people aren't doing anything that productive in winter break anyway.

I like moving Spring semester earlier. A later end date opens up more summer opportunities for students.

I think at least a 12-day study period is necessary. But otherwise, I think this setup is alright.

This is the best so far. I think winter break is very long and we can definitely take time off of that, and ending earlier would be very helpful, as many internships and jobs start just a few days after finals.

A little bit of winter break is sacrificed, but spring break is better placed here.

The earlier start is better otherwise winter break is too long and time wasted and spring break is more in line with other schools.

Though I like how long our winter break is, I think the 4-5 weeks (current break length) is more than enough time for students to recover from a long semester. A minimum 3 weeks for winter break is necessary though. Moving Spring

Break back 1 week is a great idea!!!!

This is the best option of the ones so far!!! Internships usually want us to start in May, many times this is before our finals are over. It keeps us with the two breaks and our winter break is super long so it makes sense to start earlier. Shorter winter break and longer summer is very nice. More time to work and make money in the summer. Shorter study/exam period is nice. This is a winner!

Much rather have class in January than May

Spring break is too late. However, I support making winter break shorter, because it is so long compared to most other schools and most people aren't as productive during winter break as other times of the year, and S3 does that. This aligns with many other schools, which is better for students. However, spring break and february break should be pushed forward one week

Like but feel like more time is nessesry for exams

I think this is a significant improvement to the current academic calendar. Winter break is very long compared to our peers and our semester ends much later compared to our peers. This also makes February break later and Spring break earlier which is fantastic. I think this is great.

Allows for our school calendar to be lined up with that of other schools, especially in terms of the start of Summer Break - important for internships and other summer activities! Also lengthens summer break. Also has better positioning of the February and Spring Breaks.

I'd like to end as early as possible :)

Can start summer internships earlier, not wasting time in January.

I like this calendar a lot. It spaces breaks out more evenly and starts the semester earlier. Starting summer break is very important for internships, or seeing family before internships start.

I like ending earlier with a shorter winter break.

I like the longer summer. Also a lot of other schools start earlier in January - when Im home for winter break, Im currently usually the last of my friends to leave and there's really nothing to do once everyone leaves anyway.

Best one yet, like how we come back earlier because we had too long of a winter break and stay too late in May. Also like reduction of exam days

Yeah, I think this is fine and it works. If this one ends up being it, I'd like it to be a 12-13 days study/exam period. And also making Senior days longer if you can.

Good position of breaks and exam period! :)

FINALLY. Yes, starting spring semester earlier is way better. Winter break is excessively long. This year, because of my finals schedule in the fall semester, I had 7 WEEKS OFF. That was absurd and totally unnecessary, and would have been an incredible waste of time if I didn't have an internship. This set up makes February break actually feel like a break. Spring break is fine being late as it is a nice break around second round of prelims. I don't like the idea of condensing finals into fewer days, as it makes an already stressful time, more stressful with a higher chance of several finals falling on the same day. Real talk though...when is slope day? Last day of class? Saturday? Don't take it away from a study day please. If it is on the last day of class, no one will go to class that day.

Though I dislike starting classes early, I agree with moving the class schedule up, especially regarding commencement. One of the biggest complaints I overheard during the 2016 Commencement Ceremony was it being too hot and crowded with traffic over Memorial Day Weekend. Having the ceremony earlier may relieve some of that tension.

This is way better. I hate that we have such a long break over winter with nothing to do! and we get out so much later than everyone else. For internships it makes no sense that we have no break before going right into them, or for normal jobs I can start earlier with the end of classes being earlier.

Much better positioned breaks. I really like the early end date in order to elongate summer. Many people think winter break is too long, so an earlier start date also makes sense. Consider starting after first January break day (1/16?).

Much better because you end earlier

THIS IS THE BEST OPTION- NO DOUBT ABOUT IT.

Winter break is far too long and keeps students unproductive. Allowing for an earlier graduation allows seniors to start their jobs earlier. Recommend not having two days of class before having a day off.

Current winter break is way too long - this is a format more in line with other schools and gives more time for summer breaks, which is good for internships.

I like it. I like the fact that school starts early in the January and ends earlier at May. I often find myself not doing anything productive during the weeks of January because all my friends go back to their college. Also decreases the amount of school days between spring break and final exams, which is good for sanity.

Winter break is unnecessarily long. I would rather get out earlier to actually have a summer break

Come back when other people come back

Often classes bump right up against internship start dates. This helps students with the flexibility in positions they can take. It's less likely someone will have to take a final one day and start their internship the very next day. Shorter exam period is also better.

I like this a lot better. I think everything is timed very well and makes more sense. I like ending the semester around this time.

I like the new position of Spring break and ending earlier in May

Winter break is too long as is. Feb break is too close to winter break with current schedule

Less winter break, which distracts from studies. Summer also starts early so we can start internships.

The current winter break is too long and by the end of break I am more than ready to return. Additionally, our semester ends too late, and I feel that this addresses this problem.

like that spring break is earlier and finals are done earlier but Jan 8 is too early to start and makes for too short of a winter break, Jan 14 is better

I like this a lot. Can get out of school sooner into summer, something I am willing to sacrifice my winter break for.

I feel like this calendar solves most, if not all, of the problems identified with our current calendar

Winter break is too long.

shortens winter break, variation is best

Most other schools have this type of schedule, Cornell should do this as well

Earlier Spring break to align with other schools

Three breaks

This is the best option so far. Moving the semester earlier in January makes winter break shorter (it's too long currently) and the adjustments to the spring break dates would fit a more standard college schedule.

I'd rather have a shorter Winter break than summer break. Many students have internships in the summer, so this will give them a few extra weeks to either work or visit family.

Could not agree more. Start earlier

Our winter break should not be so long. It is not productive for most students.

I like this positioning a lot better, normal spring break and earlier commencement.

This is the most preferred scedule. I LOVE the time that we start in this one. This winter break was actually pretty frustrating with the extra time, i felt like i was stagnated. PLEASE highly consider this schedule.

Winter break is too long, ending earlier is better for internship programs and job start dates, better to have an earlier spring break that coincides with other institutions

Summer break is too short and winter break is too long. This fixes that

Moving the start of classes earlier means I don't have as much idle time between semesters--that's a good thing generally, except for the money I could be making working during that time (as I did this year). For students that don't already have a winter job waiting for them, the current winter break makes it very hard to find a useful way to spend all that time.

Winter break is too long. We finish exams much later than our peers.

I support S3 only if the semester ended a week earlier in the fall semester too. Shifting the semester back a week is more accommodating in terms of getting a summer break before internships begin. As an RA, I have to be back earlier for winter training, therefore I would be more in favor of starting classes closer January 14, that way I still have some time off in January before I have to return to campus for training.

Ending so late in May ruins internship opportunities for many people

I would prefer to cut down winter break and get summer break earlier to get more time for summer internships/jobs.

I like that this schedule eliminates the 5 week stretch of straight classes. However moving the start that early will reduce winter break (which is they pick a fall schedule that pushes the end back this will be even shorter). Also Greek recruitment will be even earlier and that might cause problems in early January.

Overall I agree with shortening winter break. I would prefer if the study period was not shortened.

I really, really like the idea of starting spring semester earlier! Our winter break is excessively long as is, especially compared to other colleges.

YES. This is the ideal spring semester, in my opinion. This would allow for 12 week summer internships as well as a break schedule that feels more natural.

This would definitely be better. Ending earlier in May is very important for students trying to get summer internship and it also keeps february break, also very important for staying alive and sane throughout entire semester.

I like this -- winter break is pretty useless: there's very little internship during then.

get out earlier, longer summer break

Classes end too late currently and grad is too late as well. Starting in January 14 won't hurt.

Yes! Graduation is so late and winter break can be so long. This seems to be a very logical change.

Our winter break is too long, so this will help make it shorter and move spring break to potentially align better with most colleges. February break won't seem too early and internships will not be hindered by late exams.

Our winter break is unnecessarily long and we end the spring semester much later into the summer than our peers. I think February break is well placed, and the placement of spring break is less important than the beginning and end of the semester.

This is good because it is normal for schools to start earlier and end earlier. Additionally, it is hard for families to make time for graduation during Memorial Day weekend.

This makes a lot of sense.

ending earlier allows more opportunity for summer plans.

all other schools go back early

no one does anything anyways the first 3 weeks of Jan. Might as well start earlier and end early

The Winter Break seems too long. I think that a prolonged summer break would be very enjoyable.

Earlier summer is better

Winter break is very long and the breaks would be more appropriately timed with this schedule

Winter break is much too long. This proposal is good!

I love this version of the Spring Calendar. Winter break and the spring semester is currently too long and especially compared to our peers in other schools. I think that having the spring semester end earlier in May allows for students to have time to settle home before going straight to an internship, which usually begins mid-late May. This is the best version thus far, please change it to this so students have the opportunity to be home before leaving or starting a summer internship without being home with their families.

In this calendar our final exams are closer to when other other school's final exams are. In addition, the summer break is longer

This is the best option, Winter break is way too long

We have a late start date compared to other institutions. I think most students would prefer to end earlier in May.

more summer

Commencement is too late and pushing spring break earlier is also good.

Winter break is too long. It would be good to finish the semester earlier than the current calendar suggests, because many summer programs/internships begin before the end of May.

I like this one. May make winter break a bit too short though...

Get out earlier

I like the not hellishly long winter break (too short for internship, too long to be productive)

Starting earlier and ending earlier is better.

Best so far. Winter break is too long.

Winter break is too long and longer Summer is nice.

summer is longer and winter break is shorter.

The exam period is moved earlier and enables students to get better summer jobs.

It is awful that our spring break never matches anyone else's spring breaks!

This is the schedule that makes sense for most colleges. After the holiday season, the extension of break in January is unnecessarily long. I think we would rather finish the semester earlier, while still keeping the two breaks. However, the situation in Ithaca might be challenging if the goal is to try and have students not on campus for a lot of the winter weather.

I'd rather start earlier in the semester in order to finish earlier in May - lots of internships start this early.

YES FINALLY A CALENDAR THAT ALLOWS FOR SUMMER CLASSES AT OTHER UNIVERSITIES AND TIME AT HOME BEFORE INTERNSHIPS START! DO THIS!

Get out of school sooner. Easier to start internships around Mayish instead of June

We are now in sync w other schools

I like the variation version of S3. This is my favorite schedule by far because I do not think that people spend their Winter breaks being as productive as Summer break. Last year I had to take 3 finals on one day to make sure I caught my plane for a summer internship in time; starting finals one week earlier would've helped significantly, and I like the idea of pushing one day back into January to allow 5 days of study before 7 days of exams.

I prefer the earlier start and longer summer.

Summer would be longer, allowing for better summer educational/experiential opportunities. Shorter winter break would also be beneficial for students because they would get less restless, and a more normal length of break. Spring break is placed better and not too close to the end of the semester.

Winter break has always felt too long

It leaves more chances open for summer internship availability

Yes winter break is way too long, we just want more summer!

We ended so late in the spring.

early summer is great, better than late winter start

This is the best one, Winter Break is way too long and we get out after all the other schools - last summer, my start date options for my internship were May 16 or May 23, and I couldn't choose either one since we weren't done with finals yet. The end date of the internship period starting May 23 was also past the start of classes, so I had to ask for a change of the dates. Clearly, Cornell is not aligned with other schools regarding the academic calendar and it's inconvenient from a recruiting perspective

Starting and ending earlier would be great.

Winter break is currently too long, and this would allow for us to be done with school earlier, giving students more time for summer internships.

The winter break is too long compared to other schools and our spring break is not well-positioned.

PERFECT!

We get out earlier in May, which opens up more job and internship opportunities

Earlier I said I prefer longer winter breaks, but I think it's alright to come back earlier than now (I just don't want it to start too late). I actually like this plan a lot because ending the year at the end of May seems really tiring.

Gets out earlier for internships

Classes ended earlier longer summer break.

Best short and spring break distribution(the week earlier is usually the week other schools have their spring break as well

I would much rather start earlier so we could end on an earlier date. Most of my friends are done with school while I'm still on campus, and that sucks because I don't get to see them for very long before internships.

I like the early start and early end!

We start too late currently, this would be better and more similar to our peers

The winter break is now the same length as other colleges, the spring break is around the same time as other colleges, and ends much earlier like other colleges.

We need to start school earlier and end earlier

I love this schedule. Currently, our winter break seems too long and our summer break seems a bit short. This schedule would allow us to have a reasonable winter break (2-3 weeks) while giving us a longer summer break. Also, our spring break would be at a better time in relation to other colleges.

Definitely think the earlier finish is very important for internships, etc, and spring break makes more sense (at more common time), still keep feb break

This is the best option

summer break is earlier, I'm fine with the spring semester starts earlier

Better spring break times

maybe don't start with a 2 day week, kind of pointless. Instead just move those 2 days to the end of the year and the end date would still be more reasonable for summer length.

Winter break is too long. This gives students a break before their summer internships

I prefer the early finish in May

Winter break is excessively long, and it's hard to tell employers that I can't come in for summer internships until far after other schools let out. I like this a lot, and would rate it higher if I could.

It is much more like other schools' calendars. Only having four weeks after spring break would be much less stressful.

Getting out earlier in May would be much better to start internships and summer jobs.

I like ending early and decreasing the amount of exam days.

Slightly better spring break placement

The Spring Break is more appropriately placed for this calendar, which is so much better.

Classes starting sooner means exams ending sooner. The spring break also aligns better with other schools.

Graduating super late is really frustrating so I like this one much better

This is much better

Strongly agree- winter break is too long and the lateness of finals impacts availability for summer internships.

We start extremely late compared to other schools and also end rather late. This would free up a lot of time for internships. It would also shorten the tiring gap between February and Spring break.

summer is better this way

Yeah this is a great idea actually. I like that we get off earlier and that long break is now closer to the exam period. I think that starting earlier makes sense because our winter break is too long and students get bored.

Would be nicer to have a longer summer for internships but significantly reduces winter break which may affect winter courses and rushing. Not sure if it may be harder for people to travel because graduation isn't on memorial day weekend, but will allow Cornell employees the time off. Overall this is the best of the four and current spring options.

I think the spacing between breaks is good and the earlier start after winter break is nice

Longer Summer so I can stay at my internships longer