

S4GradUnsure

I was told february break was necessary for mental health. I think the two break spring is a decent idea.

Might be nice to have one day off at some point- but perhaps not the two day break. This is an interesting option.

Although I think that shifting the weeklong spring break into the middle of the semester and eliminating the February break is an improvement, I don't want the first day of class to be so early. Why can't graduation day be just one week earlier than at present rather than two?

This seems like what most other schools do. I would be fine with it.

The proposed spring break is too early to enjoy.

February break childcare needs

February break, though atypical, can be important to some students. Some students would love time to enjoy a snowy climate and just collect themselves after the first couple weeks of class. Breaks are important for mental health, and 8 weeks without a break may negatively impact student life and/or performance.

It is really nice to have classes end earlier in May, I'm just unsure how I feel about earlier start date and no 2-day break.

Again may be difficult with winter internship/externship possibilities. Spring break is positioned well and I don't think a February may is essential given the increase time of summer break.

No opinion.

how would undergrads respond to removing february break at a time of year that is psychologically difficult for many

The earlier start is good, but losing a second break removes a much-needed break for students.

Everything else works except the removal of February break entirely. At least the Monday could still be left as a day off?

Getting rid of February break seems fine, as doesn't moving spring break up one week. Cutting the winter break shorter reduces the chance to take international travel courses or short internships so I would not support that part of this plan

Bad: sacrificed a study day during finals Good: longer summer Good: Earlier spring break aligns better with other schools

just one break period might be too intense

I like S4 the best but am upset by no February break.

Having a shorter winter break and longer summer break is nice for working etc. Only having one break in the semester is really tough though, especially since most of spring semester is cold and dark and mentally/emotionally tough.

This calendar seems ideal and able to account for a shift in fall semester as well, but there should be a break earlier in the semester than spring break (even if it's just one day)

This is slightly better because we start a little later in January but end a little earlier in May. January externship days are important, though, so I would keep that in consideration.

I like reducing the between-semesters break, but I do also like February break. I think it would be helpful later in the semester

I'm not sold on having commencement before Memorial Day. Typically, it's easier to get breaks (if you have a regular job) around Memorial Day weekend.

I like February break. But this is a more reasonable start date.

Again, not sure about the summer/winter break trade-off.

does improve by eliminating the distracting February break, but potentially makes for a rather long stretch of uninterrupted instruction and exam periods at the end of the semester

having two breaks is nice

Even though currently Feb break seems unnecessary, I think repositioning it is better than eliminating it.

what about winter session? plus time off from classes in winter is important for getting other stuff done. Also I think 2 breaks are necessary

I like the longer summer, but I also like having 2 breaks.

This seems too early. Just eliminate February break all together and return to the old calendar.

February break is nice, but I guess not necessary?

Everything is fine with this calendar except the removal of Feb break