

S4UgradUnsure

I think two breaks are important

I love this! I think it starts at the perfect time so winter break isn't too long or too short. However, where did Feb break go?? We definitely need that. I feel like the semester can end two days later so that we can have feb break.

Could be good, because February break is kind of unnecessary, but also it is nice to have a short break.

The timing is better, but I'd rather have a Feb break

Good except for the fact that there's only one break

I believe the length of our current winter break is very necessary, primarily in a academic sense to fully rest between semesters to come in as motivated as possible, but also to support club team activities that currently occur for a week during winter break. I do think February break is fairly unnecessary though, and I do like the idea of an earlier spring break and end to the semester.

Suggestion: Keep February break but move it one week later; don't change the spring break time; start the semester the Wednesday after MLK day

I like everything about this plan, but I feel like February break is essential study time for the prelims that usually fall three or four weeks after we get back from winter break.

Good start date but need a February break.

february break is a good breather and very appreciated by students but isn't necessary; shorter winter break, longer summer break

The new start/end dates are very convenient but it would be nice to keep February break.

Having a 2-break spring semester is nice. However, ending earlier in may would also be nice.

I like the idea of ending spring as early as possible, but I feel like fall/february break are important things Cornell does

The earlier start to the summer is good but it seems a little too aggressive. I would be willing to trade a few more days at the end of the semester for a February break.

This is a good length for winter break. I like that summer break is able to start earlier. However, having just one break may put strain on some students.. unsure. I do like being able to have those two days off, at least somewhere in the semester.

Will I survive with only 1 break?!

Having 2 breaks is very helpful to make it through the semester successfully.

I really enjoy the February break so I would not prefer this calendar. However, I still like the repositioning of spring break and moving the calendar up so we end school earlier.

Don't like earlier spring break, do like earlier start in January

So I really dislike the elimination of February Break, but I appreciate the days alignment even more than the S3 plan.

Not thrilled about starting class that early in January, but I do like the new placement of spring break.

I like the timing of the break but not sure if I could handle having only one

I hate how there is only one break now. We really need 2 even if it's just a long weekend. I like how summer begins earlier but if so I like the later bounds of when spring semester starts and ends. I think exam period can be shortened so I like that. I like the position of spring break

An improvement, I don't think that Feb. break is very important. Would prefer to start classes earlier in Jan.

i think having two breaks is better but I do think starting the week of jan 15 is better.

I enjoy having February break and a nice way to breathe before the semester gets too busy. However, I really like the earlier start date and earlier end date. It's really helpful for summer internships.

February break is good so keep.

The earlier start and end dates are appealing, but I would miss February break.

I think the february break allows for some time for applications or trips for students that is a nice break when Cornell is at its coldest/bleakest.

While February break may not be deemed as "necessary" I wouldn't recommend removing it entirely because those breaks are good for student morale and mental health. The stretch from January to March is long and wintery. January 19th to May 11th is certainly palatable and makes the summer longer.

The earlier start date compared to current start date is a welcome improvement, but the February break is important and will be even more so if students are back to campus earlier.

This seems good, but spring break it too early.

I like the start date of this schedule, but I don't like how the study day is eliminated.

good that it ends earlier, but cornell is rough to be at that long without an extra break to ease the stress and burden of going to school here

Don't remove Feb break. It's important for mental health. Other than that, the schedule is better.

We need to get out earlier and I think that's a good time to start in January, but I do like having February break.

Spring break placement is improved, but no extra break. This has its pros and cons.

I like the placement of the start date for this calendar, but not having a couple more days off throughout the semester is terrible for our mental health. I suggest extending the semester by a couple of days to include 2 other days off throughout.

Leaving school VERY early, No Feb break, but I guess Feb Break kinda also messes with momentum in classes etc. However it may (or may not prevent burn out...mostly just makes ppl feel guilty for not working during Feb. break so might as well get rid of it

It would be nice for school to end sooner so that students could begin internships sooner, but I'm not sure if that is worth cutting Winter Break by that much (again considering that students joining Greek Life show up a week early)

I like starting earlier, but Spring break is awkwardly placed.

I like that classes start right after Martin Luther King, Jr. day but I think February break is necessary. This would still get us out of classes earlier while slightly shortening the time between semesters.

I did enjoy the February break and felt like it was a nice reprieve and short breather, but I do like starting later and ending earlier

we lose two days off...

Long periods of no break. Not a bad option because summer break would be longer but I think S3 framework is a better option.

The February break really is not that necessary, but the winter break becomes short with this schedule.

Having one break—despite its length—might cause students to burnout.

I like the earlier end date, but I would be willing to start a few days earlier in order to have a February Break, because otherwise I like going home to visit my family over break.

I like this a lot. Except for the lack of a February break, which I'm not torn up about the idea of not having. I like the earlier start in January and thus the earlier end in May.

February break has the potential to be a useful break. However, many professors said "Since there is February break,

please do xxxx extra work because we're missing class" If professors do this, what is the point of February break? I'd rather just not have break then. So, if professors do this, then S4 is a good schedule. If professors do not do this, then S4 is a bad schedule.

S3 is definitely the best option

no February break

Christ, are you trying to give students a mental breakdown? You'd only be able to swing this if you had 2 one day breaks, say Monday week 3 and Friday week 11 or 12

I like the shift up to mid-January as a semester start date, which also lengthens the summer, but I think having a February break is very important, and would rather finish a few days later in May than not have a Feb break.

Having February break is nice

Ending early without having to cut down on winter break a lot is appealing. Hopefully this won't be too academically stressful however?

I do think winter break should be a bit shorter, but I like a later spring break (because it'll be warmer)

The calendar fits more with other schools, but I don't know if I'd be happy with a winter break that's shorter.

Ending earlier is intriguing, but I appreciate the extended winter break (engineering project teams utilize this time greatly) and two breaks during the school year. I do like the reduced exam period.

February break is needed.

This is both terrible and an improvement. While an argument can certainly be made that february break is awkward when it is too close to the beginning of the semester, having only one break over the semester is far worse. However, the earlier start date definitely makes more sense.

Better to end a little earlier but maybe start on a Tuesday or Wednesday

Students like having two breaks, but having a longer summer is a nice benefit

I like the shorter winter break but I think February break is a good idea

I like the February Break, but I also like ending classes before my birthday (but that's selfish of me).

February break is necessary. For those with many classes with prelims, it can be incredibly useful to have 2 extra days of no class. I do like that the spring semester ends earlier though.

This isn't bad. But It is a long time without a break

February break is very much needed for most students and I don't expect many would be happy with this change. But having a longer summer would be nice.

Interesting, but spring break is too early.

There is so much school in a row with very little breaks in the middle. I prefer the old schedule because of the breaks, which makes it a lot more manageable. Although I want to get home earlier in May, I do not think it is worth having only one break.

Starts a little too early.

I like that this schedule also makes the semester end earlier, but February break is a nice relief from the stress of classes and it would be good to keep it.

I like the timing of the beginning and ending of the semester, however I do not like the fact that February break is removed. I think it is crucial to have 2 breaks during the semester, especially in February when it can be brutally cold in Ithaca, and many students struggle with being overwhelmed by both academics and the weather.

I'm neutral about this proposal. I would prefer not having ~2 straight months of classes, but I would also appreciate getting out earlier.

Start and end dates look okay, but the long stretches without breaks may be taxing on students health. May be consider two five day weekend using the six vacation days.

The shortening of winter break in favor of a longer summer is a plus, but removing February break is not too good of an idea.

Schedule aligns better with other schools, but I do not like giving up February break

I would like jan 19 - may 11

I like how the semester ends earlier and how the between-semester break is reduced, but I like February break.

Good start time but it ends a little too early.

I like the start, end, and spring break dates, but I think we need a february/other break in there as well

I like how classes would start earlier in January, but am unsure about not having a February break.

Instead of removing February Break all together because I think it is really necessary, you should make February Break weekend a 3 day weekend for a day of recovery.

This framework pays tremendous dividends in terms of getting students out of class early in the summer to open up opportunities for internship and so on. I am concerned, however, that a month and a half stretch of classes after winter break may be somewhat overwhelming.

I don't know how to feel if the break is taken away. While it is early in the semester to have a break, I believe the two breaks are necessary. It is always nice to have a couple of days to destress.

This calendar has the benefit of an earlier start and end date and thus a longer summer. However, February break contributes a great deal to student well being. I think it would be very hard on undergraduates to have just spring break without one or two other days off during the semester (especially in the winter months)

dislike the removal of February break. Feb break is definitely necessary. like the earlier semester/summer start

Not sure if I was February to be removed

The position of spring break is perfect, but we need at least one day off of classes before that; we can't go for two straight months. And again, I'd rather not start that early.

Everything is better, but February break is still necessary

Less breaks.

no, february break is important for students.

I appreciate the fact that this calendar starts one week earlier instead of two but February break is needed.

I like starting and ending earlier but i think the 2 breaks are necessary.

Love the earlier start date! Don't like losing the two break structure. Still don't like condensing the final period.

February break is important, but I like the shorter winter break and longer summer

I like the S3 framework better, although I don't mind this. I personally really felt that Feb. break was important and nice to have, but it wouldn't be awful to cancel it.

Please stop trying to change the calendar. The calendar is fine as it is.

I feel like this schedule could be helpful in that it allows us to end classes closer to when most of our peers at other schools do. However, I am fond of February break because it helps me get on top of my work early on which makes the rest of the semester slightly easier.

The February break is necessary

Better we are ending earlier but not that much better

Having 2 breaks is nice.

I like February break but I also like the idea of summer starting earlier.

I don't like the removal of February break because I think that break is important but I like the start and end dates

I like the earlier start date, but I also appreciate having February break.

This is also good because exams end earlier in may, but I do think having another break besides spring break is pretty important. I would rather have feb break too early or awkwardly positioned rather than not at all. Students need that little bit of time to recharge and keep themselves going.

Start and end timing of the semester look good, but only one spring break does not seem like enough. Potentially keeping the February and Spring breaks at their current locations could be good

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 then 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.

would make it easier for students to take summer internships, but might make it harder for lower income families who cannot take time off from work to make it to graduation. a second break is very useful for decompression, relaxation, and stress management. starting any earlier would make it difficult for greek students who have to come back 2 weeks before classes start for recruitment and make it difficult for them to take advantage of other break opportunities

I like getting out earlier in May but February break is a really helpful stress release weekend.

One break makes for a long semester... maybe make Spring Break shorter and keep the second break instead of keeping the current Spring Break length and doing away with the second one

February break is nice, but removing it does mean we start slightly later in January. I'm up in the air about which is better. Does address the problem of out too short summer which is nice

Feb Break is nice but unnecessary but I love this schedule...early but not too early

Feb break is pretty helpful in the middle of really hard school months

I still think a short February break is helpful and the two days added at the end would be okay (last exam period is a Thursday, wouldn't start an internship until a Monday anyways).

I don't know how I feel about removing the February Break entirely, it really helps break up the semester and works as a great mental health day for students. However, I like that the semester ends earlier.

I definitely don't think we need a February break but I do think classes should start later in January