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Extending the Thanksgiving holidays

A Resolution

Winter Break this year was exactly five weeks long. A major complaint from students is that the break is too long. SG would like to ask the UT Calendar Committee to shorten the Winter Break and extend the Thanksgiving Break. This can be achieved by simply subtracting three days from the beginning of Winter Break, or start the semester three days early, and add those days to the week of Thanksgiving. This addition would make the Thanksgiving Holiday a full week-long. The calendar would be set as follows:

Thanksgiving Holiday = November 22nd-26th
Two weeks of class = November 29th- December 8th
Dead days = December 9th and 10th
Finals = December 13th-18th
(Perhaps start the Spring Semester three days later than usual)

Or

Begin Fall Semester three days earlier than usual
Regular schedule of one week between Thanksgiving and Finals
Dead days on Monday, December 5th, and Tuesday, December 6th, etc.

A week will give students more days to travel and more time to spend with their families. Also the week-long break will create time for adequate rest before gearing up for the last weeks of class and finals.

Thanksgiving is an important holiday in America that is celebrated by many cultures in our country. For this reason it is important that students be given the opportunity to spend as much time with their families as possible.

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