

**Resolution 31-14** 

## A Resolution Encouraging the Office of the President to Return to a Full Week Thanksgiving Break for the 2021-2022 Academic Year

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WHEREAS, the University System of Georgia Board of Regents requires a uniform academic calendar and defines such as "The academic calendar for each USG institution shall consist of two semesters, each with at least 15 weeks of instructional time, as defined by federal regulations issued by the United States Department of Education. The 15 weeks of instructional time shall not include registration or final examinations."; and,

WHEREAS, the University of Georgia has had a week long Thanksgiving break since the 2007-2008 academic year; and,

WHEREAS, Fall 2018 semester began Monday August 13th, and concluded Tuesday December 4th; and,

WHEREAS, the University Council recommended a later start date for Fall 2019 semester, which will begin Wednesday August 14th and end Wednesday December 4th, with Thanksgiving Break beginning November 27th until November 29th; and,

WHEREAS, in a survey completed by 13,910 students, 90.8% were in favor of a full week Thanksgiving break, with 8.66% in favor of the three day break, and .54% were indifferent. <sup>1</sup>

THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the 31st administration of the Student Government Association, on behalf of the student body, encourages the Office of the President to return to the Academic Calendar that allows for a full week Thanksgiving break.'

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