

A JOINT RESOLUTION OF THE FACULTY SENATE, THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION AND THE  
GRADUATE STUDENT GOVERNANCE ASSOCIATION  
FALL BREAK  
UNIVERSITY OF CINCINNATI  
February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013

**WHEREAS:** the University of Cincinnati has now successfully transitioned from the quarter calendar to the semester calendar; and

**WHEREAS:** the University community has realized that the new calendar includes a long stretch of nine academic weeks unbroken by a scholastic or public holiday; and

**WHEREAS:** many of the University's peer institutions have some sort of suspension of classes near the middle of the Fall academic term; and

**WHEREAS:** the University faculty and students are largely in agreement that some sort of respite from formal instruction in the middle of the Fall term would afford students the opportunity to catch up on their course work and to prepare for their midterm examinations; and

**WHEREAS:** the University Registrar has determined that the University's current calendar and bell schedule provide for two days' instructional time in excess of that required by the Ohio Board of Regents in the Fall Semester;

**BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT:** the University Faculty Senate, the Undergraduate Student Senate, and the Graduate Student Governance Association support the adoption of a suspension of classes, termed a Fall Break, or "Reading Days," to be observed on two consecutive days as determined by the Calendar and Examinations Committee.