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 S.A. Resolution #61 Reconsidering AAP Final Reviews on Slope Day

Abstract: This resolution urges the Architecture Department to reconsider the timing of "Final Reviews."

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Whereas, the school of Art, Architecture, and Planning has had their final reviews (specifically for fourth-year and fifth-year students) on the first day of the Spring Semester Study Period, also known as Slope Day;

Whereas, Slope Day is an annual day of celebration at Cornell historically held on the last day of classes, but has moved to the first day of Spring Semester Study Period, effective Spring 2014;

Whereas, final reviews for Art and Architecture students not only is a source of stress because the process requires usually over sixty hours of commitment;

Whereas, Art and Architecture students should also be afforded the same privilege as students in the six other colleges to celebrate the culmination of their studies;

Whereas, with the recent calendar changes implemented in 2014 Slope Day currently falls on the day after class instruction ends instead of during the last day of class instruction;

Whereas, 14,000 undergraduate students have the choice of attending Slope Day events, about 100-120 Art and Architecture students undergo their final reviews during the celebration of the end of the year;

Be it therefore resolved, the Student Assembly recommends that the College of Art, Architecture, and Planning not conduct final reviews on the first day of the Spring Semester Study Period, also known as Slope Day,

Be it further resolved, that this resolution be forwarded to Kent Kleinman, Dean of Art, Architecture, and Planning, Mark Cruvelier, Chair of the Architecture Department, and Jim Williamson, Director of the Bachelors of Architecture program;

Respectfully Submitted,

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