2007 Fall Check-In Survey Report

All surveys:
Number of surveys = 500
Number of completed surveys = 247
Percent of surveys completed = 49.40 %
Number of people who have asked to be removed from survey pool = 0
Number of bad email addresses = 1
Number of inactive UofM email addresses = 1
Number of inactive UofM email addresses where survey was completed = 0

Full Report:

1. Do you live in a?

   Residence hall 201  82.72 %
   House/apartment near campus 19  7.82 %
   House/apartment far from campus (driving required) 23  9.47 %
   Number of responses = 243  (48.60 %)

2. If you travel to campus, how far do you commute?

   0 - 5 miles 17  39.53 %
   6 - 10 miles 7  16.28 %
   11 - 15 miles 4  9.30 %
   16 - 25 miles 9  20.93 %
   over 25 miles 6  13.95 %
   Number of responses = 43  (8.60 %)

3. Do you consider yourself a commuter student?

   Yes 29  65.91 %
   No 12  27.27 %
   Not sure 3  6.82 %
   Number of responses = 44  (8.80 %)

4. Why did you choose not to live on-campus in a University Residence Hall or Apartment?

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5. In what college are you currently enrolled?

   Carlson School of Management 25  10.16 %
   College of Biological Sciences 22  8.94 %
   College of Design 5  2.03 %
   College of Education and Human Development 27  10.98 %
   College of Food, Agricultural and Natural Resource Sciences 11  4.47 %
   College of Liberal Arts 121  49.19 %
   Institute of Technology 35  14.23 %
   Number of responses = 246  (49.20 %)

6. Please rate your satisfaction on each of the aspects of campus life listed below:

   a. Overall college experience

      Very satisfied (4) 95  38.46 %
      Satisfied (3) 138  55.87 %
      Dissatisfied (2) 13  5.26 %
      Very dissatisfied (1) 1  0.40 %
      Number of responses = 247  (49.40 %)
      Mean = 3.32
      Median = 3.29
      StdDev = 0.59

   b. Amount of contact with faculty

      Very satisfied (4) 32  13.01 %
      Satisfied (3) 162  65.85 %
      Dissatisfied (2) 50  20.33 %
      Very dissatisfied (1) 2  0.81 %
      Number of responses = 246  (49.20 %)
      Mean = 2.91
      Median = 2.94
      StdDev = 0.60
c. Opportunities for community service
Very satisfied (4) 54 21.95 %
Satisfied (3) 153 62.20 %
Dissatisfied (2) 38 15.45 %
Very dissatisfied (1) 1 0.41 %
Number of responses = 246 (49.20 %)
Mean = 3.06
Median = 3.05
StdDev = 0.62

d. Overall quality of instruction
Very satisfied (4) 47 19.11 %
Satisfied (3) 177 71.95 %
Dissatisfied (2) 20 8.13 %
Very dissatisfied (1) 2 0.81 %
Number of responses = 246 (49.20 %)
Mean = 3.09
Median = 3.07
StdDev = 0.54

e. Overall sense of community among students
Very satisfied (4) 69 28.28 %
Satisfied (3) 140 57.38 %
Dissatisfied (2) 31 12.70 %
Very dissatisfied (1) 4 1.64 %
Number of responses = 244 (48.80 %)
Mean = 3.12
Median = 3.12
StdDev = 0.68

7. Did you attend New Student Convocation?
Yes, I attended the entire program 90 36.44 %
Yes, but I attended the Northrop program only 21 8.50 %
Yes, but I attended the Coffman Memorial Union program only 17 6.88 %
No 119 48.18 %
Number of responses = 247 (49.40 %)

8. How would you describe your overall experience at Convocation?
Excellent 23 18.11 %
Very good 45 35.43 %
Good 43 33.86 %
Fair 15 11.81 %
Poor 1 0.79 %
Very poor 0 0.00 %
Number of responses = 127 (25.40 %)

9. Why did you attend Convocation?
I thought it would be worthwhile 89 69.53 %
To be part of the campus community 63 49.22 %
I wanted to hear the president speak 21 16.41 %
It was expected of me 23 17.97 %
My Community Adviser told me to 18 14.06 %
I came for the free dinner 52 40.63 %
Other (please specify) 19 14.84 %
Number of responses = 128 (25.60 %)

Other (please specify)
Display report here.

10. Please indicate which three of the following aspects of Convocation was most memorable to you?
Academic procession 24 19.20 %
Address from current student 34 27.20 %
Address from President 27 21.60 %
Faculty presentation 14 11.20 %
Band 79 63.20 %
Dinner 44 35.20 %
Student group demonstrations/dances 28 22.40 %
Being with friends/meeting new people 61 48.80 %
Class of 2011 tassels given by the President 61 48.80 %
Number of responses = 125 (25.00 %)

11. After having attended Convocation, I:
Felt welcomed into the campus community as a member of the Class of 2011 77 61.11 %
Learned about what I can do to become more successful at college 36 28.57 %
Better understood the University's traditions and values 54 42.86 %
Felt less overwhelmed by the size of the University 39 30.95 %
None of the above 20 15.87 %
Number of responses = 126 (25.20 %)

12. Was Convocation a worthwhile part of your transition to the University?
13. Why did you not attend New Student Convocation?

- Didn't know about it: 25 (21.37%)
- Class conflict: 46 (39.32%)
- Didn't want to go: 30 (25.64%)
- Other (please explain): 16 (13.68%)

Number of responses = 117 (23.40%)

Other (please explain)

14. Did you participate in the Kick It! activities at the beginning of the fall semester?

- Yes: 33 (13.58%)
- No: 210 (86.42%)

Number of responses = 243 (48.60%)

15. How did the program help you become more familiar with campus?

16. What motivated you to participate?

- Prizes: 25 (75.76%)
- Friends: 6 (18.18%)
- Learning new resources: 11 (33.33%)
- Other: 0 (0.00%)

Number of responses = 33 (6.60%)

Other (please explain)

17. Why did you not participate in the Kick It! activities?

18. Did you attend New Student Weekend?

- Yes: 55 (22.63%)
- No: 188 (77.37%)

Number of responses = 243 (48.60%)

19. How did attending New Student Weekend help prepare you to begin college?

- Met new people: 51 (94.44%)
- Had an opportunity to talk about concerns about starting college: 31 (57.41%)
- Learned about the University: 33 (61.11%)
- Felt more confident about starting college: 31 (57.41%)
- Created a sense of belonging at the University: 25 (46.30%)
- Helped me focus goals for first year: 20 (37.04%)
- New Student Weekend did not prepare me to begin college: 2 (3.70%)

Number of responses = 54 (10.80%)

20. Why did you not attend New Student Weekend?

- The program was located off-campus: 25 (13.89%)
- The program cost too much money: 63 (35.00%)
- I was registered for another program for first-year students (Nature of Life, Multicultural KickOff, Jumpstart...): 18 (10.00%)
- I was not interested in the program: 89 (49.44%)
- I didn't know anyone: 18 (10.00%)
- Other: 37 (20.56%)

Number of responses = 180 (36.00%)

Other (please specify)

21. Do you have any concerns or anxieties at this time?

- Yes: 148 (60.91%)
- No: 95 (39.09%)

Number of responses = 243 (48.60%)

22. What is your main concern/anxiety at this point in the semester?
Making friends and meeting people 16 10.60 %
Relationship with others (friends or family members) 3 1.99 %
Academic coursework (doing well in class, workload) 64 42.38 %
Living situation (i.e., residence hall life, roommate problems) 5 3.11 %
Deciding on a major/career 14 9.27 %
Health (nutritious eating, physical fitness, healthy lifestyle, adequate sleep) 6 3.97 %
Financial concerns (paying tuition, budgeting) 9 5.96 %
Developing skills related to note-taking, studying, time-management, or stress-management 10 6.62 %
Registration for spring semester courses 9 5.96 %
Homesickness 1 0.66 %
Finding places to study 0 0.00 %
Finding a job (while in school) 9 5.96 %
Obtaining tutoring assistance 1 0.66 %
Other 4 2.65 %

Other (please explain)
Display report here.

23. What resources/information would you have liked to see available in the first days/weeks of classes?
More opportunities to socialize (campus events) 106 45.89 %
More interaction with faculty 78 33.77 %
More interaction with academic advisers 93 40.26 %
Information on academic expectations and degree requirements 75 32.47 %
Information on majors 103 44.59 %
More information on what life on campus is like and what to expect 52 22.51 %
Academic and personal skills training (time management, stress management, studying, note-taking, writing papers) 53 22.94 %
More information on campus libraries 76 32.90 %
Finding and accessing computers on campus (emailing) 22 9.52 %
Getting help for personal concerns 20 8.66 %
Information on medical coverage 21 9.09 %
Finding a job on campus 76 32.90 %
Addressing safety concerns 23 9.96 %
Getting involved on campus 64 27.71 %
More information on services and resources on campus 24 10.39 %

More information on services and resources on campus (please describe in the box below)
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24. Which programs helped you transition to the U?
Orientation 195 84.42 %
2011 Web Portal 56 24.24 %
New Student Weekend 45 19.48 %
Kick It! 11 4.76 %
Jump Start 0 0.00 %
Multicultural KickOff 19 8.23 %
Convocation 60 25.97 %
Other 28 12.12 %

Other (please specify)
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25. Since entering this university, how successful have you felt at:
a. Understanding what your professors expect of you academically
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#### b. Developing effective study skills

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Mean = 2.90
Median = 2.94
StdDev = 0.67

#### c. Adjusting to the academic demands of the college

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#### d. Managing your time effectively

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#### e. Getting to know faculty

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#### f. Developing close friendships with other students

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#### g. Feeling a part of the University community

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### 26. Since entering the University of Minnesota, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?

#### a. Attending classes/discussion

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#### b. Preparing for class (studying, homework, rehearsing)

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#### c. Socializing with friends

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### e. Working for pay on campus

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### g. Participating in student groups and organizations

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27. What can the University do now to help you adjust to college life?
Display report [here](#).

28. Additional comments:
Display report [here](#).

29. What words of advice can you give to incoming first-year students?
Display report [here](#).