2008 Fall Check-In Survey Report

All surveys

All surveys:
Number of surveys = 500
Number of completed surveys = 218
Percent of surveys completed = 43.60%
Number of people who have asked to be removed from survey pool = 0
Number of bad email addresses = 0
Number of inactive UofM email addresses = 0
Number of inactive UofM email addresses where survey was completed = 0

Full Report:

16. Additional comments:

n/a I'm here now.

none

I do particularly enjoy online surveys, but the reasoning behind that is unclear

Welcome Week was the worst week of my life and if I had not already been acquainted with the University of Minnesota, I would have wanted to drop out within the first week. There was a lot of gray area and at one point my Welcome Week leaders had left me at St. Paul campus.

The U of M has been a great experience so far.

When making dorm room assignments, it would be nice to have a bigger survey of compatibility, because I was only asked: smoker? Clean? So yeah, me and my roommate don't get along, to say the least.

I think it's almost better for many students who are just beginning college to be forced to adapt with little outside help. Welcome Week is rather counterproductive toward that end.

Thanks..

thanks

welcome week was kind of a terrible experience. I realize it was the first and obviously therefore would have major flaws, but this campus is really too large to have us traveling all around it every day for a week. it was exhausting and I felt like I had no time to prepare for the first week of class or get myself acquainted with my new living situation.

I have none.

So far, so good. the U has been awesome so far!

nope

Welcome week was good. New students, whether they'll admit it or not need the structure to learn about campus life before the semester starts.

a "how to" tour of library would've been helpful for welcome week

The only thing I think the U is missing is a sense of University pride and community on campus. The feeling of being part of something is not as strong here as it is in other campuses in the midwest, such as Wisconsin.

I liked Welcome Week a lot, but of course, the speeches are not necessary to be longer then 5 minutes or more, we are not going to remember anything.
I think the University of Minnesota does a very good job of trying to help students and answer their questions. I feel like I don't need to search too hard or ask too many people before I find whatever information I need.

I know of three people including myself who have said they once had mental fatigue which is basically a state of delirium where your brain is too tired to function. I feel that it's due to too much anxiety. Just the mental part of trying to remember everything you have to do is what causes all the stress. Maybe I'm wrong but I feel like we should be eased into it at the beginning as opposed to being presumed already in the know. I also feel like in classes there's a lack of instruction. Just tell us and we'll know it makes things much easier. But this is just my personal experience with classes.

Sorry this isn't very good for your data since I wasn't at Kick it.

none

I wish classes weren't so electronic...things like moodle are superfluous and poorly designed. Most students want an assignment that they don't have to go online to get, one that is real; one you can hold in your hand.

Welcome week did not provide enough free time or relaxation time to ourselves. as a result i did not truly get to know the campus until my first day of classes. The feeling of welcome week was more of high school or of herded cattle.

Everything in that last sentence multiplied by ten.

I feel at home here. I made some friends pretty easy, I haven't been nearly as stressed out as I was in high school, and my classes are going pretty well so far as I can tell.

Welcome week had so much potential to be this amazing experience, but it was just this overload of information, and forced socializing that it didn't work out. Especially as a commuter student...getting up everyday at 7 and then wanting to participate in the night activities staying on campus till 1 am, was really tiring. I just wish all the resources and time could have been as productive as they were intended to be.

None.

Welcome week was great

Welcome week was helpful but a bit demanding.

None

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It would have been nice to have more activities for students like me who didn't know anyone coming in to meet people they have things in common with.

None

in all, i start to adapt myself here, especially establishing friendship with some people here. and find the feeling of home away from shanghai, my original hometown.