2009 Fall Check-In Survey Report

All surveys

All surveys:
Number of surveys = 500
Number of completed surveys = 171
Percent of surveys completed = 34.20 %
Number of people who have asked to be removed from survey pool = 0
Number of bad email addresses = 0
Number of inactive UoM email addresses = 0
Number of inactive UoM email addresses where survey was completed = 0

Full Report:

1. Do you live in a?
   Residence hall 139 81.29 %
   House/apartment near campus 10 5.85 %
   House/apartment far from campus (driving required) 22 12.87 %
   Number of responses = 171 ( 34.20 %)

2. If you travel to campus, how far do you commute?
   0 - 5 miles 8 26.67 %
   6 - 10 miles 6 20.00 %
   11 - 15 miles 7 23.33 %
   16 - 25 miles 4 13.33 %
   over 25 miles 5 16.67 %
   Number of responses = 30 ( 6.00 %)

3. Do you consider yourself a commuter student?
   Yes 27 84.38 %
   No 5 15.63 %
   Not sure 0 0.00 %
   Number of responses = 32 ( 6.40 %)

4. Why did you choose not to live on-campus in a University Residence Hall or Apartment?
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5. Please rate your satisfaction on each of the aspects of campus life listed below:
   a. Overall college experience
      Very satisfied (5) 49 28.65 %
      Satisfied (4) 97 56.73 %
      Neutral (3) 22 12.87 %
      Dissatisfied (2) 3 1.75 %
      Very dissatisfied (1) 0 0.00 %
      Number of responses = 171 ( 34.20 %)
      Mean = 4.12
      Median = 4.12
      StdDev = 0.69
   b. Amount of contact with faculty
      Very satisfied (5) 16 9.36 %
      Satisfied (4) 77 45.03 %
      Neutral (3) 58 33.92 %
      Dissatisfied (2) 19 11.11 %
      Very dissatisfied (1) 0 0.00 %
      Number of responses = 171 ( 34.20 %)
      Mean = 3.60
      Median = 3.60
      StdDev = 0.83
   c. Opportunities for community service
      Very satisfied (5) 24 14.04 %
      Satisfied (4) 63 36.84 %
      Neutral (3) 73 42.69 %
      Dissatisfied (2) 19 11.11 %
      Very dissatisfied (1) 1 0.58 %
      Number of responses = 171 ( 34.20 %)
      Mean = 3.58
      Median = 3.52
      StdDev = 0.83
   d. Overall quality of instruction
      Very satisfied (5) 23 13.45 %
      Satisfied (4) 98 57.31 %
      Neutral (3) 35 20.47 %
      Dissatisfied (2) 12 7.02 %
      Very dissatisfied (1) 3 1.75 %
      Number of responses = 171 ( 34.20 %)
      Mean = 3.74
      Median = 3.86
      StdDev = 0.84
   e. Overall sense of community among students
      Very satisfied (5) 42 24.56 %
      Satisfied (4) 85 49.71 %
      Neutral (3) 36 21.05 %
      Dissatisfied (2) 7 4.09 %
      Very dissatisfied (1) 1 0.58 %
      Number of responses = 171 ( 34.20 %)
      Mean = 3.94
      Median = 3.99
      StdDev = 0.82

6. How would you describe your overall experience at Welcome Week?
   Excellent (6) 12 7.06 %
   Very good (5) 36 21.18 %
   Good (4) 80 47.06 %
   Fair (3) 32 18.82 %
   Number of responses = 170 ( 34.00 %)
   Mean = 4.02
   Median = 4.04
   StdDev = 0.82
7. Did you participate in the Kick It! activities at the beginning of the fall semester?

Yes 48 28.07 %
No 123 71.93 %

If no, why not?
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8. How did the program help you become more familiar with campus?
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9. What motivated you to participate?
Prizes 34 72.34 %
Friends 23 48.94 %
Learning new resources 17 36.17 %
Other 1 2.13 %

Other (please explain)
Display report here.

10. What is your main concern/anxiety at this point in the semester?
Making friends and meeting people 10 5.92 %
Relationship with others (friends or family members) 4 2.37 %
Academic coursework (doing well in class, workload) 89 52.66 %
Living situation (i.e., residence hall life, roommate problems) 4 2.37 %
Deciding on a major/career 11 6.51 %
Health (nutritious eating, physical fitness, healthy lifestyle, adequate sleep) 5 2.96 %
Financial concerns (paying tuition, budgeting) 14 8.28 %
Developing skills related to note-taking, studying, time-management, or stress-management 5 2.96 %
Registration for spring semester courses 4 2.37 %
Homesickness 0 0.00 %
Finding places to study 1 0.59 %
Finding a job (while in school) 17 10.06 %
Obtaining tutoring assistance 3 1.78 %
I do not have any main concerns or anxieties 1 0.59 %
Other 1 0.59 %

Other (please explain)
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11. What resources/information would you have liked to see available in the first days/weeks of classes?
More opportunities to socialize (campus events) 48 29.45 %
More interaction with faculty 59 36.20 %
More interaction with academic advisers 46 28.22 %
Information on academic expectations and degree requirements 42 25.77 %
Information on majors 60 36.81 %
More information on what life on campus is like and what to expect 22 13.50 %
Academic and personal skills training (time management, stress management, studying, note-taking, writing papers) 46 28.22 %
More information on campus libraries 56 34.36 %
Finding and accessing computers on campus (emailing) 13 7.98 %
Getting help for personal concerns 16 9.82 %
Information on medical coverage 15 9.20 %
Finding a job on campus 75 46.01 %
Addressing safety concerns 7 4.29 %
Getting involved on campus 30 18.40 %
More information on services and resources on campus 10 6.13 %

More information on services and resources on campus (please describe in the box below)
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12. Which programs helped you transition to the U?
Orientation 108 65.85 %
MyU Web Portal 54 32.93 %
Welcome Week 106 64.63 %
Convocation 51 31.10 %
Kick It! 12 7.32 %
Multicultural KickOff 12 7.32 %
Other 18 10.98 %

Other (please specify)
13. Since entering this university, how successful have you felt at:

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<td>a. Understanding what your professors expect of you academically</td>
<td>Very successful</td>
<td>27 (15.88%)</td>
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<td>Mean = 3.81</td>
<td>Median = 3.89</td>
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<td>b. Developing effective study skills</td>
<td>Very successful</td>
<td>17 (10.06%)</td>
<td>Number of responses = 169 (33.80%)</td>
<td>Mean = 3.49</td>
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<td>c. Adjusting to the academic demands of the college</td>
<td>Very successful</td>
<td>15 (8.82%)</td>
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<td>Mean = 3.91</td>
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<td>d. Managing your time effectively</td>
<td>Very successful</td>
<td>16 (9.47%)</td>
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<td>e. Getting to know faculty</td>
<td>Very successful</td>
<td>6 (3.53%)</td>
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<td>f. Developing close friendships with other students</td>
<td>Very successful</td>
<td>45 (26.47%)</td>
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<td>g. Feeling a part of the University community</td>
<td>Very successful</td>
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14. Since entering the University of Minnesota, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?

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<td>a. Attending classes/discussion</td>
<td>0 (0.00%)</td>
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<td>22 (12.94%)</td>
<td>118 (69.41%)</td>
<td>25 (14.71%)</td>
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<td>b. Preparing for class (studying, homework, rehearsing)</td>
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<td>67 (39.88%)</td>
<td>63 (37.50%)</td>
<td>28 (16.67%)</td>
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<td>c. Socializing with friends</td>
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<td>77 (45.56%)</td>
<td>59 (34.91%)</td>
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<td>d. Exercising or playing sports</td>
<td>22 (12.94%)</td>
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<td>48 (28.24%)</td>
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### g. Participating in student groups and organizations

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### 15. What can the University do now to help you adjust to college life?

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### 16. Additional comments:

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### 17. What words of advice can you give to incoming first-year students?

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