

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:

1. Do you live in a?

Residence hall	183	84.72 %	Number of responses = 216 (43.20 %)
House/apartment near campus	12	5.56 %	
House/apartment far from campus (driving required)	21	9.72 %	

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

0 - 5 miles	14	42.42 %	Number of responses = 33 (6.60 %)
6 - 10 miles	5	15.15 %	
11 - 15 miles	7	21.21 %	
16 - 25 miles	1	3.03 %	
over 25 miles	6	18.18 %	

3. Do you consider yourself a commuter student?

Yes	27	81.82 %	Number of responses = 33 (6.60 %)
No	5	15.15 %	
Not sure	1	3.03 %	

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)	80	36.70 %	Number of responses = 218 (43.60 %)
Satisfied	(4)	107	49.08 %	
Neutral	(3)	26	11.93 %	
Dissatisfied	(2)	5	2.29 %	
Very dissatisfied	(1)	0	0.00 %	

Mean = 4.20
Median = 4.23
StdDev = 0.73

b. Amount of contact with faculty

Very satisfied	(5)	22	10.09 %	Number of responses = 218 (43.60 %)
Satisfied	(4)	93	42.66 %	
Neutral	(3)	82	37.61 %	
Dissatisfied	(2)	20	9.17 %	
Very dissatisfied	(1)	1	0.46 %	

Mean = 3.53
Median = 3.56
StdDev = 0.81

c. Opportunities for community service

Very satisfied	(5)	31	14.29 %	Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)
Satisfied	(4)	94	43.32 %	
Neutral	(3)	78	35.94 %	
Dissatisfied	(2)	13	5.99 %	
Very dissatisfied	(1)	1	0.46 %	

Mean = 3.65
Median = 3.68
StdDev = 0.81

d. Overall quality of instruction

Very satisfied	(5)	40	18.35 %	Number of responses = 218 (43.60 %) Mean = 3.89 Median = 3.96 StdDev = 0.77
Satisfied	(4)	128	58.72 %	
Neutral	(3)	38	17.43 %	
Dissatisfied	(2)	11	5.05 %	
Very dissatisfied	(1)	1	0.46 %	

e. Overall sense of community among students

Very satisfied	(5)	47	21.66 %	Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %) Mean = 3.88 Median = 3.93 StdDev = 0.80
Satisfied	(4)	108	49.77 %	
Neutral	(3)	53	24.42 %	
Dissatisfied	(2)	8	3.69 %	
Very dissatisfied	(1)	1	0.46 %	

6. How would you describe your overall experience at Welcome Week?

Excellent	(6)	7	3.21 %	Number of responses = 218 (43.60 %) Mean = 3.51 Median = 3.59 StdDev = 1.22
Very good	(5)	41	18.81 %	
Good	(4)	67	30.73 %	
Fair	(3)	59	27.06 %	
Poor	(2)	29	13.30 %	
Very poor	(1)	15	6.88 %	

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

Yes	73	33.64 %	Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)
No	144	66.36 %	

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	44	61.11 %	Number of responses = 72 (14.40 %)
Friends	35	48.61 %	
Learning new resources	33	45.83 %	
Other	5	6.94 %	

Other (please explain)

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10. What is your main concern/anxiety at this point in the semester?

Making friends and meeting people	24	11.01 %	Number of responses = 218 (43.60 %)
Relationship with others (friends or family members)	3	1.38 %	
Academic coursework (doing well in class, workload)	103	47.25 %	
Living situation (i.e., residence hall life, roommate problems)	5	2.29 %	
Deciding on a major/career	20	9.17 %	
Health (nutritious eating, physical fitness, healthy lifestyle, adequate sleep)	4	1.83 %	
Financial concerns (paying tuition, budgeting)	15	6.88 %	
Developing skills related to note-taking, studying, time-management, or stress-management	11	5.05 %	
Registration for spring semester courses	9	4.13 %	
Homesickness	2	0.92 %	
Finding places to study	2	0.92 %	
Finding a job (while in school)	9	4.13 %	
Obtaining tutoring assistance	2	0.92 %	
I do not have any main concerns or anxieties	6	2.75 %	
Other	3	1.38 %	

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)	80	38.46 %
More interaction with faculty	80	38.46 %
More interaction with academic advisers	51	24.52 %
Information on academic expectations and degree requirements	64	30.77 %
Information on majors	73	35.10 %
More information on what life on campus is like and what to expect	31	14.90 %
Academic and personal skills training (time management, stress management, studying, note-taking, writing papers)	46	22.12 %
More information on campus libraries	57	27.40 %
Finding and accessing computers on campus (emailing)	9	4.33 %
Getting help for personal concerns	15	7.21 %
Information on medical coverage	16	7.69 %
Finding a job on campus	74	35.58 %
Addressing safety concerns	6	2.88 %
Getting involved on campus	50	24.04 %
More information on services and resources on campus	11	5.29 %

Number of responses = 208 (41.60 %)

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	154	75.49 %
2012 Web Portal	25	12.25 %
Welcome Week	137	67.16 %
Convocation	28	13.73 %
Kick It!	16	7.84 %
Multicultural KickOff	18	8.82 %
Other	17	8.33 %

Number of responses = 204 (40.80 %)

Other (please specify)

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13. Since entering this university, how successful have you felt at:

a. Understanding what your professors expect of you academically

Very successful	(5)	46	21.20 %
Successful	(4)	130	59.91 %
Neutral	(3)	34	15.67 %
Unsuccessful	(2)	7	3.23 %
Very unsuccessful	(1)	0	0.00 %

Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)

Mean = 3.99
Median = 4.02
StdDev = 0.71

b. Developing effective study skills

Very successful	(5)	29	13.36 %
Successful	(4)	104	47.93 %
Neutral	(3)	70	32.26 %
Unsuccessful	(2)	14	6.45 %
Very unsuccessful	(1)	0	0.00 %

Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)

Mean = 3.68
Median = 3.74
StdDev = 0.78

c. Adjusting to the academic demands of the college

Very successful	(5)	26	11.98 %
Successful	(4)	130	59.91 %
Neutral	(3)	49	22.58 %
Unsuccessful	(2)	11	5.07 %
Very unsuccessful	(1)	1	0.46 %

Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)

Mean = 3.78
Median = 3.87
StdDev = 0.74

d. Managing your time effectively

Very successful	(5)	20	9.22 %
Successful	(4)	93	42.86 %
Neutral	(3)	81	37.33 %
Unsuccessful	(2)	22	10.14 %
Very unsuccessful	(1)	1	0.46 %

Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)

Mean = 3.50
Median = 3.55
StdDev = 0.82

e. Getting to know faculty

Very successful	(5)	8	3.77 %
Successful	(4)	59	27.83 %
Neutral	(3)	94	44.34 %
Unsuccessful	(2)	46	21.70 %
Very unsuccessful	(1)	5	2.36 %

Number of responses = 212 (42.40 %)

Mean = 3.09
 Median = 3.09
 StdDev = 0.86

f. Developing close friendships with other students

Very successful	(5)	58	26.73 %
Successful	(4)	100	46.08 %
Neutral	(3)	42	19.35 %
Unsuccessful	(2)	13	5.99 %
Very unsuccessful	(1)	4	1.84 %

Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)

Mean = 3.90
 Median = 4.00
 StdDev = 0.93

g. Feeling a part of the University community

Very successful	(5)	36	16.59 %
Successful	(4)	107	49.31 %
Neutral	(3)	61	28.11 %
Unsuccessful	(2)	13	5.99 %
Very unsuccessful	(1)	0	0.00 %

Number of responses = 217 (43.40 %)

Mean = 3.76
 Median = 3.82
 StdDev = 0.79

14. Since entering the University of Minnesota, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?**a. Attending classes/discussion**

None		0	0.00 %
Less than 1 hour		1	0.46 %
1-10		17	7.87 %
11-20		156	72.22 %
21-30		32	14.81 %
31-40		10	4.63 %

Number of responses = 216 (43.20 %)

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

None		0	0.00 %
Less than 1 hour		1	0.46 %
1-10		74	34.26 %
11-20		83	38.43 %
21-30		49	22.69 %
31-40		9	4.17 %

Number of responses = 216 (43.20 %)

c. Socializing with friends

None		0	0.00 %
Less than 1 hour		8	3.70 %
1-10		115	53.24 %
11-20		58	26.85 %
21-30		30	13.89 %
31-40		5	2.31 %

Number of responses = 216 (43.20 %)

d. Exercising or playing sports

None		24	11.16 %
Less than 1 hour		48	22.33 %
1-10		124	57.67 %
11-20		14	6.51 %
21-30		4	1.86 %
31-40		1	0.47 %

Number of responses = 215 (43.00 %)

e. Working for pay on campus

None		174	80.93 %
Less than 1 hour		2	0.93 %
1-10		24	11.16 %
11-20		14	6.51 %
21-30		1	0.47 %
31-40		0	0.00 %

Number of responses = 215 (43.00 %)

f. Working for pay off campus

None		156	73.93 %
Less than 1 hour		4	1.90 %
1-10		32	15.17 %
11-20		14	6.64 %

Number of responses = 211 (42.20 %)

21-30	4	1.90 %
31-40	1	0.47 %

g. Participating in student groups and organizations

None	75	34.88 %
Less than 1 hour	33	15.35 %
1-10	97	45.12 %
11-20	8	3.72 %
21-30	1	0.47 %
31-40	1	0.47 %

Number of responses = 215 (43.00 %)

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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