

## **UNIVERSITY LIFE COMMITTEE**

### **GRADUATE STUDENT CULTURE: SURVEY RESULTS AND MOTIONS**

During the 2009-2010 academic year, the University Life Committee was charged with investigating graduate student culture on campus. As part of this charge, the committee developed an online survey to be administered to current graduate and law school students, in order to gauge which existing services were utilized by graduate students, and which services graduate students would like to see made available on campus. The survey contained questions regarding all aspects of campus life, including academics, career services, health services, recreation, and transportation.

To administer the survey, the committee contacted the Registrar's Offices of both the university and the law school, asking that an invitation to participate be sent to all graduate and law students via the school's e-mail lists. The University Registrar agreed to send the e-mail, but no response was received from his counterpart in the law school. The survey was made available online in early May 2009 at <http://rwu.qualtrics.com>. A total of 31 students participated in the survey, out of a pool of over 200 graduate students. None of the participating students indicated that they were enrolled in the law school, and the committee suspects that this may be the result of the invitation e-mail never being sent to the law students. The survey questions appear in Appendix 1. The complete results of the survey appear in Appendix 2.

The current members (2010-2011) of the University Life Committee studied the survey results and observed six major areas of concern expressed by the respondents: students had difficulty accessing parking spaces on campus; they were unaware of programs on campus; they desired dedicated space in the library, replete with computers for searching and text production.

Respondents also wanted a graduate lounge or study space with securable desks or lockers as well as more information about and access to the Recreation Center and Health Services.

To improve the quality of graduate student life in this academic community, the University Life Committee proposes that the Senate accept the following motions:

- That parking bans be lifted after 4 p.m. so that graduate students have access to parking in close proximity to classroom buildings.
- That the library reserve space for graduate student use. This area should be equipped with computers.
- That space on campus be allocated for graduate student study and that this space be equipped with lockers for temporary storage of personal items.
- That graduate students receive information regarding access to the Recreation Center and Health Services, via brochure or e-mail.
- That notices regarding all campus programming, appropriate for graduate students, should be sent to the registered graduate students.

## APPENDIX 1: RWU ULC GRADUATE STUDENT SURVEY

The University Life Committee of the RWU Faculty Senate has been charged with examining graduate student culture at Roger Williams University. The committee's goal is to formulate recommendations regarding the improvement of campus services available to graduate students. Your responses to this survey will help in the development of those recommendations. There are approximately 25 questions in the survey, so it should only take you a few minutes to complete. Your responses to these questions will be anonymous, and any personal information collected will be used solely for statistical purposes.

**Q1** Please check the appropriate button for each of the existing services listed below.

	I have used this service (1)	I am aware this service is available but have not used it (1)	I was not aware that this service is available (1)
Campus shuttles, including shuttles to off- campus locations (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Counseling Center (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Women's Center (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Intercultural Center (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Career Center (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The subsidized RIPTA bus passes (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Free or reduced price student tickets to on- campus cultural/artistic/sporting events (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assistance with locating housing/roommates (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q2** The following services are currently available to graduate students at no additional cost. Please indicate how likely you are to use these services:

	Never (1)	Rarely (1-2 times/month) (2)	Occasionally (3-4 times/month) (3)	Frequently (5-12 times/month) (4)	Very Frequently (more than 12 times/month) (5)
Campus shuttles, including shuttles to off-campus locations (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Counseling Center (not currently available to Law students) (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Women's Center (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Intercultural Center (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Career Center (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The subsidized RIPTA bus passes (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Free or reduced price student tickets to on-campus cultural/artistic/sporting events (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assistance with locating housing/roommates (8)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q3** Additional comments on the serviced mentioned above

**Q4** The following services are currently available free of charge to undergraduate students, but are not available to graduate students. How important would it be for you to have access to these services?

	Not at all important (1)	Somewhat unimportant (2)	Neither important nor unimportant (3)	Somewhat important (4)	Very important (5)
The campus Writing Center for assistance with writing skills (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
The Center for Academic Development, which includes Disability Support Services and academic support. (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Participation in the Academic Showcase, a weekend-long exhibition of student academic and co-curricular talent that is currently open only to undergraduates. (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Eligibility for internal research grants, such as the Provost's Fund for Undergraduate Research (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q5** Additional comments on the services mentioned above

**Q6** The following services are currently available to undergraduate students for a fee. For each of the services, please indicate how often you would use these services for a reasonable fee:

	Never (1)	Rarely (1-2 times/month) (2)	Occasionally (3-4 times/month) (3)	Frequently (5-12 times/month) (4)	Very Frequently (more than 12 times/month) (5)
Membership for the campus recreation center (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Meal plans in the campus dining hall (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Use of the Student Health Center (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q7** Additional comments on the services listed above

**Q8** Of all of the existing services mentioned in the previous questions, which would be most useful to you right now? (You may also include an existing service not in the above lists.)

**Q9** The following services are NOT currently available on campus. For each of the services, please indicate your level of interest in making these services available:

	Not at all interested (1)	Somewhat disinterested (2)	Neither interested nor disinterested (3)	Somewhat interested (4)	Very interested (5)
E-mail addresses that designate graduate student status (e.g. @grad.rwu.edu) (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
More courses offered on weekends (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Dedicated study/social space for graduate students on campus (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Extended hours in the university library (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A central office overseeing graduate student affairs (5)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Financial aid such as paid graduate assistantships (6)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Financial assistance for conference travel/travel grants (7)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Graduate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

student virtual bulletin board (listserv, ride sharing, items for sale, daycare, housing for rent etc.) (8)					
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**Q10** Additional comments on the services mentioned above

**Q11** Are there any other services currently unavailable at RWU that ought to be made available to graduate students?

**Q12** Many universities have a graduate student association, an organization comprised of graduate students that represents, supports, and promotes graduate student interests on campus, as well as providing an opportunity for graduate students across disciplines to come together to build a sense of community. Please indicate below how interested you would be in having and participating in a graduate student association established at RWU:

	Not at all interested (1)	Somewhat disinterested (2)	Neither interested nor disinterested (3)	Somewhat interested (4)	Very interested (5)
How interested would you be in having a graduate student association established at RWU? (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Would you be interested in being an active member of such an organization? (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q13** Additional comments



**Q14** Did you attend a graduate student orientation when you started your graduate program?

- Yes (1)
- No (2)

Answer If Did you attend a graduate student orientation when you st... Yes Is Selected

**Q14a** What information that you received during graduate student orientation has been most useful to you?

Answer If Did you attend a graduate student orientation when you st... Yes Is Selected

**Q14b** What information that was not provided should be added to graduate student orientation?

Answer If Did you attend a graduate student orientation when you st... No Is Selected

**Q14c** Although you did not attend a graduate student orientation yourself, what kinds of information do you think should be included in an orientation event for incoming graduate students?

The following demographic questions are for statistical purposes only.

**Q15** Please indicate your gender

- Male (1)
- Female (2)

**Q16** Please indicate your age

**Q17** In which graduate program are you enrolled?

**Q18** What year of your graduate program did you just complete?

- First (1)
- Second (2)
- Third (3)
- Fourth or higher (4)

**Q19** You may indicate your ethnicity from the categories below:

- Hispanic (1)
- American Indian or Alaska Native (2)
- Asian (3)
- Black or African American (Non-Hispanic) (4)
- Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander (5)
- White (Non-Hispanic) (6)
- Other (7) \_\_\_\_\_

**Q20** Please indicate how many children you have in each of the following age groups:

	None (1)	1 (2)	2 (3)	3 (4)	4 or more (5)
Under 5 (1)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5-10 (2)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
11-15 (3)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Older than 15 (4)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

**Q21** How do you usually get to campus? (Check all that apply)

- drive alone (1)
- carpool (2)
- public transportation (3)
- bicycle (4)
- walk (5)
- other (6) \_\_\_\_\_

**Q22** Approximately how long is your average commute to or from campus?

- Under 15 minutes (1)
- 15-29 minutes (2)
- 30-44 minutes (3)
- 45-60 minutes (4)
- Longer than 60 minutes (5)

**Q23** How often do you come to campus during a typical week during the semester?

- 1 day (1)
- 2 days (2)
- 3 days (3)
- 4 days (4)
- 5 days (5)
- 6-7 days (6)

**Q24** During a typical week during the semester, which days do you tend to come to campus?  
(Check all that apply)

- Monday (1)
- Tuesday (2)
- Wednesday (3)
- Thursday (4)
- Friday (5)
- Saturday (6)
- Sunday (7)

**Q25** Is there anything else you would like to tell us regarding graduate student services at RWU?  
End of Survey

## APPENDIX 2: COMPLETE SURVEY RESULTS

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**1. Please check the appropriate button for each of the existing services listed below.**

#	Question	I have used this service	I am aware this service is available but have not used it	I was not aware that this service is available
1	Campus shuttles, including shuttles to off-campus locations	14	9	6
2	The Counseling Center	4	19	6
3	The Women's Center	0	19	9
4	The Intercultural Center	4	16	10
5	The Career Center	4	20	4
6	The subsidized RIPTA bus passes	5	14	11
7	Free or reduced price student tickets to on-campus cultural/artistic/sporting events	5	9	16
8	Assistance with locating housing/roommates	2	9	18

**2. The following services are currently available to graduate students at no additional cost. Please indicate how likely you are to use these services:**

#	Question	Never	Rarely (1-2 times/month)	Occasionally (3-4 times/month)	Frequently (5-12 times/month)	Very Frequently (more than 12 times/month)	Responses
1	Campus shuttles, including shuttles to off-campus locations	12	7	3	1	5	28
2	The Counseling Center (not currently available to Law students)	16	10	2	0	0	28
3	The Women's Center	20	7	1	0	0	28
4	The Intercultural Center	23	5	0	0	0	28
5	The Career Center	11	12	3	2	0	28
6	The subsidized RIPTA bus passes	18	6	2	1	1	28
7	Free or reduced price student tickets to on-campus cultural/artistic/sporting events	13	9	3	3	0	28
8	Assistance with locating housing/roommates	23	3	2	0	0	28

**3. Additional comments on the serviced mentioned above**

**Text Response**

The counseling center is the greatest service that could be provided to graduate students, especially those of us who are in the Forensic Psychology Master's Program. I don't think, however, many students know they can take advantage of this service for free.

More financial aid would be much appreciated by all graduate students.

The subsidized RIPTA bus passes were initiated the year after i entered... therefore were no much of a use to me.

Architecture makes it too busy to witness/enjoy any of the above.

where would I have learned about these offerings? I attended 2 graduate open houses and was not made aware at either.

I am older grad student so don't need

**4. The following services are currently available free of charge to undergraduate students, but are not available to graduate students. How important would it be for you to have access to these services?**

#	Question	Not at all important	Somewhat unimportant	Neither important nor unimportant	Somewhat important	Very important	Responses	Mean
1	The campus Writing Center for assistance with writing skills	9	3	4	6	6	28	2.89
2	The Center for Academic Development, which includes Disability Support Services and academic support.	10	2	5	7	4	28	2.75
3	Participation in the Academic Showcase, a weekend-long exhibition of student academic and co-curricular talent that is currently open only to undergraduates.	11	3	9	4	1	28	2.32
4	Eligibility for internal research grants, such as the Provost's Fund for Undergraduate Research	3	0	1	12	11	27	4.04

## 5. Additional comments on the services mentioned above

### Text Response

Graduate students conducting research should not only be eligible for internal research grants but should also have labs or grad lounges available to collect and analyze data. With the size of the psychology and legal studies/criminal justice departments at this school and the amount of research that is accomplished within those departments, it would be wonderful to have a room where focus groups or mock trials could be performed.

I think more grants should be available to graduate students than undergraduates. The current situation inherently makes our undergraduate programs stronger than our graduate programs, which are clearly not up to par in comparison to other universities, and I think it is primarily due to a lack of graduate research opportunities.

For the writing center... a graduate student could probably still use this regardless of whether or not it is being "offered" to graduates. I could very well walk into the second floor of the library tomorrow and probably not be stopped.

Graduate students should also be privy to use of the gym.

**6. The following services are currently available to undergraduate students for a fee. For each of the services, please indicate how often you would use these services for a reasonable fee:**

#	Question	Never	Rarely (1-2 times/month)	Occasionally (3-4 times/month)	Frequently (5-12 times/month)	Very Frequently (more than 12 times/month)	Responses	Mean
1	Membership for the campus recreation center	8	4	0	6	10	28	3.21
2	Meal plans in the campus dining hall	12	3	6	5	2	28	2.36
3	Use of the Student Health Center	8	8	7	1	4	28	2.46

**7. Additional comments on the services listed above**

**Text Response**

there shouldn't be a fee for the recreation center or student health. period.

I believe the gym is free isn't it? the meal plans are over priced. the student health center is great...

This is confusing, truly, I never knew there was a fee for using the gym. I use it anyway as a grad student. I have a "gold" full meal plan, and use it everyday. And I have also used the student health center this year. I figure all these "fees" must be included in my tuition.

Health center is important..."rarely" at 1-2 times a month is actually quite often.

I would spend more time on campus if I could obtain a membership at the rec center for a reasonable rate.

I attend classes in Providence so I would not drive to the Bristol campus and attempt to find parking.



**8. Of all of the existing services mentioned in the previous questions, which would be most useful to you right now? (You may also include an existing service not in the above lists.)**

Text Response

career services if they were better geared to helping Architecture Students and not just the traditional business/communications major.

A graduate lab.

dining services...working long hours on campus, sometimes it isn't practical to go home to eat, and buying food gets expensive

I am still under my parents health insurance out of CT until I am 26 but can not easily get there since it is 2 hours away. Access to health services would have helped me when I was sick and could not make the several hour trip to get to my doctor who took my health insurance. Please consider having a plan in place for your graduate students. We are not all professionals with a spouse's local insurance, some of us are young people far away from home.

a meal plan for occasional use - perhaps 2 or 3 times a week - one that is actually reasonably priced. as of right now, none of them are.

Health Services

Health Center.. after all, the nearest hospital is at least 30 min away.. however, graduate students should also be able to obtain free care, especially if they attended RWU for their undergraduate degree as well.

Recreation center would be a great asset.

rec center and/or health services

Career Center

The Health Center

I find the meal plan most useful. I would find it a extreme inconvenience to have to leave studio to go back to my apartment to eat a meal that would take triple the time to prepare, eat, and clean up, and would lack the great variety offered in the commons.

student health center and gym membership

The meal plans and use of the recreation center would both be quite useful to me right now.

Internship placement for architecture students Health services Gym Shuttle Food Campus events/activities Passport program Well-paid Grad assistantships (similar to University of New Haven's Grad program..) Assistance with off-campus (private apartment) housing process

writing center assistance

the campus recreation center

rec center access.

Gym, RIPTA, and Health Services

**9. The following services are NOT currently available on campus. For each of the services, please indicate your level of interest in making these services available:**

#	Question	Not at all interested	Somewhat disinterested	Neither interested nor disinterested	Somewhat interested	Very interested	Responses	Mean
1	E-mail addresses that designate graduate student status (e.g. @grad.rwu.edu)	6	1	12	7	2	28	2.93
2	More courses offered on weekends	6	2	5	12	3	28	3.14
3	Dedicated study/social space for graduate students on campus	6	0	3	9	9	27	3.56
4	Extended hours in the university library	1	1	7	9	9	27	3.89
5	A central office overseeing graduate student affairs	0	0	6	10	12	28	4.21
6	Financial aid such as paid graduate assistantships	0	1	3	5	19	28	4.50
7	Financial assistance for conference travel/travel	0	0	4	7	17	28	4.46

	grants							
8	Graduate student virtual bulletin board (listserv, ride sharing, items for sale, daycare, housing for rent etc.)	2	1	4	12	9	28	3.89

## 10. Additional comments on the services mentioned above

### Text Response

Financial assistance is very important and should come in all of the following forms: graduate/research assistantships, conference/travel grants, and research grants.

Graduate students are greatly in need of their own library space. There are often no computers or space available because they are taken up by undergraduate students. Oftentimes, these undergraduate students are not doing actual school work or are only socializing with friends.

All of these are extremely helpful opportunities many people would utilize as graduate students.

If you change my email, it will be the fourth time at this school that you have done so! Extended hours would be nice especially on Fridays when the library closes at 5-6pm?

The above are all great services and should be implemented in the near future.

All of these items would greatly increase the grad programs offered and make it feel as though the grad students are actually supported by an official graduate school, rather than grad students tagging along with undergrads

I don't think it is necessary to determine graduate status on an email. For myself I am in Providence so I do not need a dedicated Bristol campus study area HOWEVER, a study area in Providence would be a great idea. I am not even aware of what the Providence campus has to offer, I just attend my classes and leave. It would be nice if during orientation for graduate students there was a building tour and a place set aside that was designated for students to study and work on group projects in Providence.

I think it's really important for the University to separate Graduate and Undergraduate affairs such as financial aid and registration. I have found that there is so much chaos and confusion around what graduates need that we get bounced from a variety of offices on campus. Centralizing that is one of the most important and crucial aspects of change I can see that is needed.

## 11. Are there any other services currently unavailable at RWU that ought to be made available to graduate students?

### Text Response

specialized computer labs for graduate architecture students.

dedicated computer labs for graduate architecture students

We should have a special reduced cost parking pass available. Many of our classes begin at 4:30 which is a half hour before ticketing ends. We also occasionally have to be on campus for a day-time meeting. We shouldn't fear getting tickets for these very short visits and we should not be required to purchase an extremely expensive parking pass for the few hours a year we spend on campus during ticketing hours. It is not really fair for us and I have spoken to many many graduates who feel the same way. It is a no win situation for us.

financial aid. stafford loans don't count. those are loans. actual financial aid. especially considering that graduate level classes cost more.

Health services price discounts.

Graduate advisors; Current undergraduate advisors who take on graduate students do not offer much assistance.

FREE PRINTING!!! As an architecture grad student, I have a much higher printing volume than some random undergrad, but I'm still thrown into the same category. I've attended this school for 4.5 years and now as a grad, I have to deal with this crap. I love it when I have to go over to the library because my print didn't go well, and ask the main library "can you print color 11x17s?" and they just stare at me. Then they don't refund my precious 51 cents that I spent on 3 sheets of paper. Yeah, that \$15 is going to last a really long time on that rate.

space for graduate students to work and extended library hours

There should be more help with job searching for graduate students.

-Emails about campus events, etc should still be sent to grad students. -Please see previous questions for additional needs.

free rec center and pool use

**12. Many universities have a graduate student association, an organization comprised of graduate students that represents, supports, and promotes graduate student interests on campus, as well as providing an opportunity for graduate students across disciplines to come together to build a sense of community. Please indicate below how interested you would be in having and participating in a graduate student association established at RWU:**

#	Question	Not at all interested	Somewhat disinterested	Neither interested nor disinterested	Somewhat interested	Very interested	Responses	Mean
1	How interested would you be in having a graduate student association established at RWU?	1	0	10	10	6	27	3.74
2	Would you be interested in being an active member of such an organization?	2	3	8	11	3	27	3.37

### 13. Additional comments

#### Text Response

Sign me up

as an architecture grad student, I doubt I have the free time to do anything.

UNH has a very successful grad student counsel...they plan great grad events and provide support for the grad students.

#### 14. Did you attend a graduate student orientation when you started your graduate program?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Yes	16	57%
2	No	12	43%
	Total	28	100%

#### 14a. What information that you received during graduate student orientation has been most useful to you?

##### Text Response

Orientation geared more towards other fields of study. Did not offer much useful information other than bill paying;(which is still a confusing task)

What classes I would be required to take.

Course related information.

free parking at the providence location

How to register/check grades/etc.

Too long ago

I obtained information on my program and the expectations.

Meeting the professors beforehand and having them discuss their interests.

#### 14b. What information that was not provided should be added to graduate student orientation?

##### Text Response

Information on library resources.

Information on how to get financial aid or grants

More information regarding services on campus and potential paths of course study.

There should have been more information available as far as grants, loans, scholarships for graduate students.

how to use blackboard more. how to use the library and online library more. how to correctly write a paper since i have not in 19 years.

Maybe a campus tour?

There was a lack of orientation to the services (if any) available in Providence.

A longer more interactive and informative meeting would have been helpful.

**14c. Although you did not attend a graduate student orientation yourself, what kinds of information do you think should be included in an orientation event for incoming graduate students?**

Text Response

program requirements and how other students from various schools performed at RWU's graduate programs.

financial aid information

I attended undergraduate orientation, as I am in the in the M.ARCH/B.S.ARCH dual degree program.

Opportunities and free services and discounted services. etc.

no clue. I went here for undergrad

N/A....was an undergrad here, hard to say

Program requirements, introduction to professors, campus tour, introduction to campus services

### 15. Please indicate your gender

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Male	6	22%
2	Female	21	78%
	Total	27	100%

### 16. Please indicate your age

Text Response
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**17. In which graduate program are you enrolled?**

Text Response
architecture
Forensic Psychology Master's Program
architecture
MAT
Forensic Psychology
architecture (BS/MArch)
Architecture
March
Architecture
M.Arch
Architecture
Architecture
MA in Literacy
Architecture 6 year Master's
forensic psychology
Forensic Psychology
MAT
MPA
Architecture
mpa
MAT
MPA
MAT
criminal justice
MPA
Public Administration
Master of Arts in Forensic Psychology

### 18. What year of your graduate program did you just complete?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	First	14	52%
2	Second	11	41%
3	Third	0	0%
4	Fourth or higher	2	7%
	Total	27	100%

### 19. You may indicate your ethnicity from the categories below:

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Hispanic	0	0%
2	American Indian or Alaska Native	0	0%
3	Asian	0	0%
4	Black or African American (Non-Hispanic)	0	0%
5	Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	0	0%
6	White (Non-Hispanic)	25	100%
7	Other	0	0%

### 20. Please indicate how many children you have in each of the following age groups:

#	Question	None	1	2	3	4 or more	Responses	Mean
1	Under 5	22	2	0	0	0	24	1.08
2	5-10	22	1	1	0	0	24	1.13
3	11-15	22	0	1	0	0	23	1.09
4	Older than 15	22	2	0	0	0	24	1.08

### 21. How do you usually get to campus? (Check all that apply)

#	Answer	Response	%
1	drive alone	24	92%
2	carpool	6	23%
3	public transportation	2	8%
4	bicycle	2	8%
5	walk	0	0%
6	other	3	12%



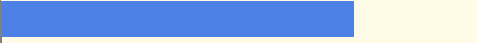

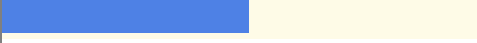


### 22. Approximately how long is your average commute to or from campus?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	Under 15 minutes	15	56%
2	15-29 minutes	7	26%
3	30-44 minutes	1	4%
4	45-60 minutes	4	15%
5	Longer than 60 minutes	0	0%
	Total	27	100%

### 23. How often do you come to campus during a typical week during the semester?

#	Answer	Response	%
1	1 day	7	26%
2	2 days	1	4%
3	3 days	3	11%
4	4 days	3	11%
5	5 days	3	11%
6	6-7 days	10	37%
	Total	27	100%

**24. During a typical week during the semester, which days do you tend to come to campus? (Check all that apply)**

#	Answer		Response	%
1	Monday		20	74%
2	Tuesday		22	81%
3	Wednesday		20	74%
4	Thursday		24	89%
5	Friday		14	52%
6	Saturday		13	48%
7	Sunday		9	33%

## 25. Is there anything else you would like to tell us regarding graduate student services at RWU?

### Text Response

Send us more emails! We have no idea about what is going on on campus. Let us be an actual part of the campus community, not outsiders visiting.

We need an identity on campus. Graduate students are overshadowed by undergraduates, and in order to really be the progressive "state of the art" university that we perceive ourselves to be, graduate students need to be more highly regarded and engaged in their own campus community.

the financial aid department is a mess.

Are there any?

The pressure to complete the track given is unavoidably stagnant. Despite constant reminders of student's need for a flexible semester by semester schedule, the administration constantly persists on needing to know future plans. As a working professional whom is taking few courses, school is not the #1 priority. It is impossible to get this notion across.

Make printing free. If I can't use a bunch of services that are free to undergrads, why must I be grouped into the \$15 printing group with them? Give me \$30-\$45 so I can actually print my Thesis Proposal! My Thesis Proposal will wipe out the entire \$15 because it is all color 11x17s. Unless it is a research paper, I do not print black and white 8.5x11s. I print color. And, funny enough, even if you print double sided, you still pay for two sheets of paper. Its like getting 1 for the price of 2. What a lovely concept!

Some professors were better able to assist than others and some were more accessible. It would be nice to have additional information regarding people to talk to about problems in the survey.

There should be better communication with regards to graduate issues on campus. For example, I never received an email or anything about where/when to pick up my cap, gown, hood and tickets for graduation. I had to find out through other graduate students. This is how most information was discovered throughout my time in the MAT program, and it shouldn't be that way.

Offer Metro Center courses here on campus.

Class are at the Providence campus. Wonderful.

Copying services available for those days you need a couple of copies. Kind of weird being told you can't use the copier for a few copies.

The questions about when I go to campus reflect the providence campus. I have only been to the Bristol campus once.

I think making the classes more available so that people can also have jobs in order to gain experience and make money is important. Also, I would like to state that graduate housing is atrocious. I am very disappointed. I spent my first year in Middletown in the graduate housing in Landings and it was the best situation. I was able to get things fixed when need be and had suitable work environment and safety on the first priority. I would be willing to sacrifice the commute than to live closer and live in Almeida again. I have had maintenance men walk into my apartment with no regard of safety or privacy, which seems to be a bit risky for a female living in her apartment. The internet situation has been awful; I get booted off constantly because there is not enough bandwidth for all the people here. There are bugs in the apartments. This situation needs to be fixed because people cannot live in these conditions

when they are paying for so much and trying to get an education to progress in their careers.