

2009 Graduating Senior Survey Student Comments

Peck School of the Arts

| If you had it to do all over again, would you choose to attend UWM? | Why or why not? |
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| Probably | I enjoyed my schooling at UWM and would recommend it to other students interested in an Art degree. |
| Probably | probably, because the school is within my price range and all other art schools I applied to, even with partial scholarships were just way too expensive. Besides, I've had a chance still to be taught by wonderful professors, many of which that teach at MI |
| Probably | I haven't had a problem with the school |
| Definitely | the program was great! |
| Definitely | Close to home, great program. |
| Probably No | I might attend a smaller, more academically driven school. I did enjoy my time, but didn't usually feel challenged. |
| Definitely | I've gained a tremendous amount from my program, along with my peers and professors therein. I consider myself fortunate to have received this education. |
| Probably No | Department Structure |
| Definitely | The faculty staff in my both majors are very competent and supportive. The school has a great environment for cultural diversity and academic support. |
| Probably | It is hard getting straight answers from the Music Ed advisors |
| Probably | Due to my age and life situation |
| Definitely | It was easy and accessible to my income. Great school for film. |
| Probably | Good cost for quality of education. |
| Definitely | The faculty was very helpful and knowledgeable throughout my term, especially the Art Education professors. |
| Definitely | It was worth the time and money. |
| Definitely | UWM is a great school located in a large metropolitan area that offers a very diverse environment for learning as well as living. |
| Probably | I felt the program I was in wasn't as beneficial as I thought it would have been and wish I would have studies in a different area. |
| Probably No | Certain areas of the University are seriously lacking as far as supplies and availability |
| Probably | Because I had a positive experience |
| Definitely | I am very happy with my choice to transfer to UWM. Not only is the city a wonderful haven of culture and history, but I have learned a lot from the professors of art here. |
| Definitely | I enjoyed the diversity of knowledge, culture, and experiences on campus. |
| Probably | I would think about going to a more specialized school for the media arts. The DIVAS program was great, but seemed a bit unfocused. |
| Probably | It is a great school, however I felt like I received more from the community around UWM in my education than the actual school itself. Often times I learned things from professionals and others in the community, rather than from my professors, who often t |
| Definitely | I had a great experience |
| Definitely | The dance program here is much better than the one at UW-SP. |
| Probably | Overall, I enjoyed the film program and found some good job opportunities through the school. |
| Probably | That's where it's at |
| Definitely | I loved the atmosphere of the campus even though I didn't live in it or near it. The selection of classes was great, I had interesting options always. Also the staff and faculty within the art department are fantastic! |
| Probably | location and cost |
| Probably | Currently offers a BFA in Acting, but with funding issues, I am worried it won't be offered and want to be affiliated with a university that has a reputable Arts School |
| Definitely | I started at UW Platteville as an engineer. I soon realized that I wanted to reflect my creativity in what I do in life, I wanted to become a Graphic Designer, and the best school was here, at UWM. I instantly applied and fell in love with this city and i |
| Probably | Location was good, the film program is alright, but I feel I could have gotten a better education at other schools that prepare more for the real world. |

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| Probably No | Our department is undergoing too many changes right now-- the students were obviously not a priority. |
| Probably | It has a great art program |
| Definitely | I was part of the inaugural BFA Acting class at UWM. Apart from the education I received in the arts, I believe that I've been able to harness my creativity even more. I've also discovered new passions to compliment acting and met some incredible people t |
| Definitely | I feel as though I received a great education through UWM |
| Probably | It is a decent school with a good art program |
| Probably | I really value the great education I got at UWM. |
| Definitely | I feel that I have received a well rounded education. |
| Probably | If I was offered a scholarship to UWM again, I would come back again. |
| Definitely | I enjoyed the photography program |
| Probably No | I ended up transferring here after encountering some financial problems. If I had the choice I would have rather stayed at the school I was at which was out of state. |
| Definitely | Great Theatre program, excellent education |
| Definitely | I felt that I got a lot out of my education. |
| Probably No | I feel the dean and chair of the art department do not support the sculpture department equally to other fields. I was kicked out of the studio for working on my projects after class by the chair. Does she not encourage her student body to work? Does she |
| Probably No | The program was a little different than I was expecting, however, it did offer me a wide variety of things to learn and has given me a good base of teachings. |
| Definitely | I received a superb education at UWM. The faculty is very helpful. |
| Definitely | UWM provided everything I needed as an art student and the programs best fit what I was looking for. |
| Probably | My major is music performance in the trombone and I wanted to study with the trombone instructor at UWM. She is no longer teaching at UWM and there is no permanent replacement for her yet so I am unsure whether I would choose UWM if I were starting over n |
| Probably | I enjoyed my time at UWM. |
| Probably | The art program is one of the best in the UW system. |
| Probably | Its hard to say. If I went back to school. I don't think I would choose UWM. I would want something different. I think it also depends on the degree. In my program I definitely questioned some of the faculty. I did not feel like I got as much out of my de |
| Probably | Enjoyed the campus located close to the city |
| Probably | I would have maybe looked harder for a college that offered a similar program closer to my mother's house to cut down on living expenses. |
| Probably | I would want to be here because the art program is very close knit and well structured. However, I did not appreciate how the teachers within my sub-major clearly favored some students. |
| Probably | Great Academics, Close to Home, Good Location |
| Probably | I liked the location, and the proximity to theatres in Milwaukee, but the program was more limited than I had hoped. |
| Probably | I did not have the best experience in the Music Department. |
| Probably | Only place in Milwaukee with film degree |
| Probably | Affordable, city life, arts and entertainment, diversity, big student body |
| Probably | It's a great program, but there are better schools out there. They are just harder to get into. |
| Probably | No football team. small school. super expensive. no love for out of state. |
| Probably | I would of considered MIAD for undergrad program and UWM for grad program. |
| Probably | I had a great time here educationally and socially. |
| Probably | I really enjoyed the art program. It was highly conceptual, if I had to do it all over again, I might attend a more technical school, or take classes at both. |
| Probably | Tuition is not as expensive as other schools and the professors are great! |

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| Probably | i felt like a belonged which i wasn't expecting since i am much older than your average college student |
| Definitely | I had a great experience. I felt I was adequately challenged and was able to learn about my respected field |
| Definitely | I switched majors freshman year, UWM has GREAT theatre faculty. |
| Definitely | Apart from the people and experiences I've had, I've really enjoyed the school and my Inter Arts program. |
| Probably No | As I met a lot of great people I feel I could have received a much better education elsewhere. The film department needs a lot of improvement and more animation classes. Too many of the instructors use class time as a personal show and tell. Anthropology |
| Probably | I was able to explore myself as a young actor in my program. |
| Probably | I met Marcia Parsons, who changed my view on everything about what I wanted to do with my life. She's an amazing, intelligent woman. |
| Probably | I had a great experience at UWM. |
| Probably | I liked how every teacher in my degree related courses knew me by name. It made me feel important on a large campus. |
| Definitely | They have the best dance program in the Midwest. |
| Probably | They have a great Art program. |
| Definitely | It was a very good experience, I feel that I learned well in this environment and it was a good social atmosphere for me as well. |
| Probably | The right place at the right time in my life |
| Probably No | Facilities are outdated and the school does not have money to provide students adequate opportunities. Some faculty are incompetent. |
| Probably No | it doesn't offer the original degree i wanted to pursue |
| Definitely | Great Photography teachers, great city. |
| Probably No | Indifferent professors. Low standards. No school unity among students. Limited study abroad opportunities in School of Arts. |
| Probably | Location and finances |
| Probably | UWM was a good learning experience and I gained a lot from it, but received very little help in my area of focus, which is painting photorealism. |
| Probably No | I sacrificed a lot to attend this school, I learned quite a lot, but not what I should have. The photography department lacks practical instruction, guidance and unbiased opinion on the part of a few high standing professors. |
| Probably | I had many great professors, especially in the Peck School of the Arts, and feel that because of support from my professors and fellow students, I was able to reach my goals of creating interesting and innovative work that got better throughout my univers |
| Definitely | The professors are really good here. |
| Probably No | I feel that I received a high-quality education within the music department. However, I was disappointed with many things outside of academia such as how this school functions primarily as a business. My other undergraduate school was very different from |
| Probably No | The instructional staff of UWM's Guitar Department are completely obtuse. Their closed-mindedness was very alienating for me and I absolutely hated it--I ended up completely dropping out and wanting absolutely nothing to do with the guitar department. The |
| Definitely | I have enjoyed my time at UWM. It has changed the way I see the world and the work that I produce. My education here has taken me to a new level of creativity. I have been to other schools, and I don't believe I would have had a similar experience. |
| Probably No | I may want to go to UWM Madison |
| Definitely | Milwaukee is a great place for me to be. This city has treated me well. |
| Definitely | The instructors I had in the Theater Department were all very involved in their field outside of the University setting, allowing for better career advice and networking. |
| Definitely | very good program with lots of benefits |
| Probably | I learned a great deal, and enjoyed the program. |

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| Probably No | Not the program I wanted. |