

2010 Graduating Senior Survey Student Comments
College of Nursing

If you had it to do all over again, would you choose UWM?	Why or why not?
Definitely	After high school I was not interested in attending UWM. So now that I have started here and am ending here, I would agree that UWM was the best choice for me. It is the university of my hometown, everything was close to me. I didn't have to go too far to find support for me either.
Definitely	Besides the friendly professors, the environment was great.
Definitely	Collaboration with my workplace for core courses
Definitely	gave me the flexiblity i needed by providing all on-line classes
Definitely	Great faculty and loved the squirrels
Definitely	I enjoyed my time at UWM. I feel that I have been very well prepared for the career I am about to embark on.
Definitely	I enjoyed the city and the university atmosphere. Most of my professors were very interesting as well as challenging.
Definitely	I feel that the program was well organized, the curriculum was excellent, and the instructors were knowledgeable and supportive. I have learned so much, and have had a great experience at UWM!
Definitely	I like the educational system and quality
Definitely	I made a lot of good friends and think the nursign program is great
Definitely	I thoroughly enjoyed the flexibility of the on-line format of the Collaborative Nursing Program.
Definitely	I truly enjoyed the BSN @ Home program. I enjoyed the courses. These on-line courses allowed the flexibility needed in order to work full-time while still completing coursework.
Definitely	I would because it is a highly known and ranked university regarding BSN degree. It is excellent and proficient in its online courses is wonderful. I would choose this program every time, there really is no (I feel) any other comparable university in the area for online program. Phoenix is a joke, accreditation or not, employers are looking for a substantial university, not some hokey university. Go UWM!
Definitely	In Hometown and great professors.
Definitely	It is a rigorous program, but one of the best in Nursing
Definitely	Like the learning atmosphere, like the simulation experience, and like the clinical variety
Definitely	My class of peers was wonderful and staff was very supportive. I received a great nursing education.
Definitely	The nursing program in general and the helpful staff in particular, (Carrie Von Bolen and Donna Weir to name a couple,) made all the difference. I was unsure about obtaining my second degree in teaching or nursing, and after meeting with the staff at the Nursing College, I was swayed in my decision. I am so grateful that this happened, because I have really enjoyed the program, my clinicals and look forward to starting in my nursing career.
Definitely	The nursing program was challenging and is well-respected.
Definitely	UWM has been a great experience for me and I would recommend it.
Definitely	UWM has offered me some GREAT oppotunities that no other college could have. I've had a great experience.

Definitely	UWM is a wonderful college. The college of nursing was challenging but I have learned so much.
Definitely	UWM provided me with an excellent opportunity to grow as an individual and enrich my academics through the Nursing program.
Definitely No	Not all courses required to graduate were offered through UWM in online or evening format. Many of the courses I had to take were taken elsewhere. I could have graduated from other colleges in a much quicker timeframe with the same amount of effort.
Probably	As a student in the Washington County Cohort I felt as though we were not considered in many decisions that affected us. Often we were the last to be told information about our classes. Our schedules were changed without any reasonable explanation and at no point did anyone from the college consider asking us our opinion about those changes yet they were more than willing to collect the extra tuition that we had to pay for being a part of the cohort
Probably	Cheap, close to home and good program.
Probably	Closest major university within driving distance
Probably	convenience of online classes, reputation of nursing program
Probably	convenient on-line courses with the exception of the capstone which I feel is unrealistic in the number of clinical hours
Probably	Convenient to home and I really liked the staff.
Probably	Convenient, cost effective
Probably	cost effective
Probably	Enjoyed the classes on campus and online. The online classes were a unique experience. The reason as to why not, would be the cost and my preference for face to face teaching.
Probably	Good nurses come from UWM!!
Probably	I did not realize UWM had such a community/ research focus. I feel that professors were more focused on their research that student education was significantly neglected.
Probably	I felt that UWM was a decent school to attend.
Probably	I would have preferred to do more online classes due to congestion and crime of the neighborhood.
Probably	location was difficult for me-3 hour round trip
Probably	Nursing program unorganized. Not uniform throughout for all students.
Probably	Online and off campus choices available
Probably	Scholarships and financial assistance available
Probably	While I appreciate the move to more community based nursing, I feel that this was pushed on us too much. Health Promotions OR Community Health would have been fine, but having both was somewhat a waste of time and resources...especially for a mother of 4, divorced and working....and going to school full-time. I do love the commitment to the program and the very visible love of nursing that our instructors have. It is inspiring.
Probably No	Felt the College of Nursing was too concerned with their with their research projects and own promotion, versus what was best for the students.
Probably No	I didnt like that the UWM College on Nursing was geared more towards community nursing. I felt that some of the curriculum was a waste of my time.
Probably No	I feel the Nursing Program was designed to make the academic administration look good on paper. The students needs are an afterthought. The curriculum was better suited to be an Arts and Letters degree than a Science degree.

Probably No	Money. It costs too much money to live in the dorms (not to mention the 3 month waiting list) and too much money to eat. I feel like the whole campus is just money hungry.
Probably No	The admission to the UWM college of nursing is skewed in that it focuses solely on grades and an essay. An interview process should be implemented. Also, having your CNA should be a requirement to enter the program because having our first semester labs be focused on basic CNA skills, it wasted a lot of valuable time for a great many of students. That time could have been designated for more advanced nursing skills, etc. To continue, I disagree with the curriculum. For example, I believe med/surg should be either a full semester or 2 semesters long. I think that class is extremely important and trumps 2 semesters of leadership and/or 2 (almost the exact same) community health classes.
Probably No	The College of Nursing Program is very unorganized and does not offer clear insights for the CON students.
Probably No	The disorganization of the nursing college disappointed me very much. This aspect of the college diminished its professionalism and in the end, my view of my education in general.
Probably No	The Nurses who come out of MSOE have really impressed me. I think that school would have been a better choice
Probably No	The nursing program is too research and community based.
Probably No	the nursing program was very community oriented and I do not feel as if I had as much time in hospital settings as other local colleges.
Probably No	the program was too difficult and had problem with how some of the professors taught their courses
Probably No	took too long, didn't accept many transfer credits
Probably No	Unorganized staff that doesn't have a clear line of communication between each other regardless of the different levels.
Probably No	Way too liberal in views (I am a conservative), however the tuition prices were my main preference for choosing UWM.