

2010 Graduating Senior Survey Student Comments
Peck School of the Arts

If you had it to do all over again, would you choose UWM?	Why or why not?
Definitely	Although I didn't graduate with my original intended major (guitar performance - which is a great program here), I found myself exploring different areas that I hadn't thought I would. I'm happy that I am graduating with a more diverse college background.
Definitely	Great art program and environment, also because Milwaukee itself is quite an experience.
Definitely	Great undergraduate acting program. Amazing experience.
Definitely	Great university, I attended all 5 years of undergrad here and had great experiences with professors and classes. I will definitely walk away feeling I have earned an enriched education and college experience.
Definitely	I came from UW-Whitewater where i never really felt challenged or that i really fit the mold. but I've been much more successful and happy at UW-Milwaukee
Definitely	I enjoyed the ability to take many classes both in and out of my major.
Definitely	I enjoyed the Film department.
Definitely	I feel the education and experience at UWM is amazing.
Definitely	I found the professors to be very insightful with concepts and course materials, which helped prepare me for my future career. I love the atmosphere of the different kinds of people at UWM through all the different organizations here. UWM definitely had a little something for everyone.
Definitely	I got a first rate musical education here.
Definitely	I had a great experience at UWM.
Definitely	I have attended 2 other schools and UWM's Ceramics professors have created the best program I have experienced. I wish I would have started here.
Definitely	I have had a wonderful experience at UWM. I got not only the education that I wanted but had available to me everything that I didn't know I needed.
Definitely	I have had some absolutely incredible teachers at UWM and am very happy with my decision.
Definitely	I love Milwaukee. My teachers are really great. I just loved my experience as a student at UWM.
Definitely	I love UW-Milwaukee and it was perfect for my major.
Definitely	I would choose UWM again because of the fact I really felt as if I was treated as a person and not a number. I also loved the program that I was in and wouldn't trade my experience at UWM for the world.
Definitely	It has a wonderful theatre program in which I learned more than I ever thought I would learn.
Definitely	It has turned into a perfect fit for my skill set, and the tutelage of wonderful professors I could only have met here has supplied me with the tools I need to succeed as an adult.
Definitely	It is affordable compared to most other places and the theatre program is much better than I would find anywhere else for the price.
Definitely	It provided the education I needed for my field of research.
Definitely	It was a good experience overall

Definitely	It's a good school.
Definitely	It's a great curriculum.
Definitely	It's a great school that challenged my needs and tld me what I needed and what I could do
Definitely	My experience at UWM was life changing and I do not regret attending UWM. I feel my experience would not be the same at a different school.
Definitely	Professors such as Steve LeMere, Lisa Moline, and Rebecca Targ had a very positive influence on my education and my life as a whole.
Definitely	Teachers were excellent, good teacher to student ratios
Definitely	The atmosphere at UWM is both challenging and helpful
Definitely	The Film Program at UWM is unmatched.
Definitely	The professors that I have learned from were excellent, and taught me more than I would have learned anywhere else.
Definitely	The PSOA Dance Faculty and Honors College professors were incredibly intelligent, and I received a lot of dance opportunities that I would not have, had I not attended this university.
Definitely	This was the only financially feasible place to learn about film production.
Definitely	UWM has been an incredibly enlightening and inspiring environment. Since I transferred here three years ago, my attitude toward and understanding of art, both theory and practice, have changed dramatically. I've met professors and colleges here who have been essential to my artistic and scholastic growth and success.
Definitely	UWM has the best degree program in the best location. I had a great experience
Definitely	UWM is one of the few universities in the US that has an undergraduate program in costume technology for the theatre.
Definitely	well priced, great professors
Definitely	While UWM was not my first pick it turned out to be just the school for me. This university has issues like any other, but it has taken good care of me and provided me an education I would not trade.
Definitely	Yes, I was surprised by how great the art program is and all the wonderful resources it has. It is really up and coming in the community and I hope it continues to grow and be recognized.
Definitely No	Didn't really have a good experience.
Definitely No	I would attend a school that was more open to Christians and conservative thinkers.
Definitely No	Programs are not organized and students are not properly informed on changes or original requirements.
Probably	An in-state school was my only option at this point in my life. UWM was the only school with a great visual art program. If I had to do it over again, I would have done more research about other schools around the country
Probably	At the time it was close to home, although I lived in the dorms and the tuition was considerably less than it is now.
Probably	because it is a good film school
Probably	class selection was alright. there was to much of "this is the way art is done" feeling and not enough of an actual critique in the field.
Probably	Close to home and family support

Probably	Dedicated film production program
Probably	Good art program, wish we had more opportunities to create art in the community, however (like MIAD does)
Probably	Good enough.
Probably	I did enjoy the atmosphere and felt the teachers were wonderful. However, I am not sure Milwaukee would have been my first choice city.
Probably	I did have a good educational experience, but I would have probably tried for a school with a better reputation in my chosen field.
Probably	I enjoyed the program at UW Milwaukee, but I would also like to experience a school in another state.
Probably	I may have selected a 2 year technical to train in the use of Final Cut Pro software, because the school doesn't really give much guidance in that department and that's a very crucial skill base.
Probably	I really enjoyed my teacher in the Fibers program. I believe her knowledge has really shaped me as an artist, and she is a huge a reason I am thankful I have completed my degree at UWM.
Probably	I was not challenged academically by UWM, but this gave me the freedom to challenge myself outside of school by studying abroad and taking on projects that were separate from school.
Probably	I would have finished my generals at a local community college and then transferred in. This way seems to be cheaper and provide a easier transition
Probably	It was a good fit fot me.
Probably	It was close to home, so that is why I choose to attend UWM
Probably	It's a great school with great education, but I feel like it could use a little update on equipment and method.
Probably	My professors were absolutely fantastic. I guess I'm just afraid post graduation what out of state schools will think of UWM as I go onto graduate school.
Probably	My program was a good fit for my career goals.
Probably	My time here has been valuable. Although I do not whole-heartedly back the film program here as correlating to my desires as a filmmaker, I will say that it has been 3 years of revelations as a student. I definitely appreciate all I've learned from the University.
Probably	nearby
Probably	No. I was a transfer student from UW-Whitewater but I loved the acting program at UWM and felt this was a better fit for me.
Probably	Only if my major was different than what it is now.
Probably	Peck School of the Arts has a very good reputation. I spent my junior year at UW-Whitewater and the art program did not compare.
Probably	Photo Dept. Could use some new equipment and a more organized structure for checking out equipment and use of large format printers. A few more classes dedicated towards lighting and usage of camera equipment. I loved all of my Professors, despite the confusion that was happening during my final year.
Probably	Pretty decent school with decent programs
Probably	The art faculty is top notch.
Probably	The art program has lost funding and is not well organized.
Probably	The location was perfect, but the film program was leaned more toward experimental than narrative. I didn't get to take classes I felt I learned anything important in until my fourth year

Probably	The Metals program is amazing.
Probably	The music department is mostly based on orchestral type music. There was no classes in studio work as a musician or many classes about music business and law
Probably	The program that I am graduating in is brand new and will be more developed in the future.
Probably	The program was competitive and my professors for the most part were key to my success.
Probably	There were many hidden things about the program regarding completion times, etc and many programs and courses have been cut
Probably	UWM is the best school in the state for a degree in Film.
Probably	UWM offered my Art Education major, it is a great school in terms of its focus on urbanized education. Art schools nearby like MIAD did NOT offer such a degree.
Probably	Yes it was my first choice because I heard that the art department was amazing! With being able to take all the classes that I did, I'm really happy I chose UWM!
Probably No	Financial aid and cost of living were factors in my decision to attend UWM. I like being in the city and utilizing all of its resources. However, I enjoyed the benefits of attending St. Norbert College, a small private school in Green Bay, for my first degree.
Probably No	Going into UWM I felt the major was offering me a different focus than what I really got. I met with the head of the DIVAS program before I even applied to UWM, and was led to believe I'd be learning media production, which is half true. Myself and other students didn't know we'd be focusing on avant-garde installation art. I have nothing against this focus, but I wish I would have known about it before enrolling. I also feel my education didn't set me up for my career. I interned outside of school within my field, and though some of the skills I brought there were learned at UWM, professionally my internship was more beneficial. I did enjoy the school, the people, and the atmosphere, but next time I would do more research.
Probably No	I feel slightly unprepared to face the real world and feel that there are other schools the specialize in my interests.
Probably No	I would choose to go to school in a location that is more vital to the multimedia industry most likely.
Probably No	Location
Probably No	Music Education program was unorganized.
Probably No	The film department at UWM is more experimental than I would have liked it to have been.
Probably No	The film program offers little for a person that actually wants to graduate and do something with their life. The professors are not knowledgeable about the craft and are a detriment to a student that wants to succeed.
Probably No	The music education program was not in order when I started going to college.
Probably No	The music/music education depot. is so unorganized. And UWM's music ensembles have much to be desired in musical selection as well as instruction.
Probably No	The photography depart has fallen apart during my terms here, and i would not have attended had i known the drama that was happening with the leadership of the department.
Probably No	The student population is too big and it is not competitive enough.
Probably No	There is just more about the art industry that I know now that I believe would have benefitted me in the decision making process.
Probably No	Throughout the years in the photography department at UWM, there was a great deal of changes to the overall system, which led to confusion and problematic situations
Probably No	Wisconsin is too cold

