2011 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	Good reputation, convenient location, reasonable cost. Collaborative program enabled me to obtain my degree while working full time.
Definitely	I feel the nursing program is excellent.
Definitely	I had a great experience at UWM.
Definitely	I like the campus and the nursing program
Definitely	I really enjoyed the classes, however the faculty is what would bring me back. From professors to counselors i never felt like a number i felt like a person even within the large school aspect.
Definitely	I was well trained and supported by faculty
Definitely	It's a great school with professors and instructors dedicated to furthering our both our studies and experience. We have learned not only to apply ourselves to what we do, but also to think critically and analytically through each step of every process.
Definitely	The nursing program is one of the bests in the nation.
Definitely	The reputation of UWM's College of Nursing
Definitely	This school has a great reputation and it offered the major i wanted, and it also offered the majors i thought about completing.
Definitely	UWM graduates are highly respected and viewed. I am proud to be a UWM graduate.
Definitely	UWM has a great nursing program and a great campus for students.
Definitely	UWM has great resources and is located in the perfect area in which I want to pursue a nursing career. I believe the school's instructors and staff have taught me a great deal of education that I am grateful for and I would do it all over again.
Probably	Because it was may first choice
Probably	Good experiences and advisors
Probably	Good program, but it could use a little restructuring.
Probably	Great academiabut at times the size seemed to be a disadvantage.
Probably	I am insure if the nursing program was the best for me.
Probably	I enjoyed the experience, but the Washington County clinicals may not have provided the best experience possible
Probably	I had quick responses to my questions and good help, when I had trouble with registering.
Probably	I like the instructors and all of our resources. I do not like the crime and safety problems surrounding the campus, though.
Probably	I liked the flexibility of the online curriculum.
Probably	I thought they did a pretty good job in the Nursing program. And it is known nationally for its high standards
Probably	I was able to complete the RN-BSN program at my own pace.
Probably	I was not fully pleased with the nursing program.
Probably	I would choose UWM again because of the reputation of the Nursing program. The only thing that would influence my decision would be the distance I live from campus.

Probably	It was the program that was affiliated with Froedtert; so this made it convenient to complete.
Probably	It's close to home but the nursing program was unorganized
Probably	Most affordable.
Probably	Professors wanted to be here and wanted to teach!
Probably	There were some things I wasn't very happy about with the program
Probably	UWM has one of the best nursing schools in the state, and I love the campus.
Probably	UWM is a far drive from my house but i felt that i got an excellent education here.
Probably	Very good school, with a good reputation and the different types of degrees available
Probably No	ended Wisconsin GI bill, comparatively unsafe campus.
Probably No	I don't feel the nursing program has prepared myself as a professional nurse.
Probably No	I enjoyed my education at the University; however, had I realized the strong community focus at UWM, I would have chosen a different university. I also wish I would have expanded beyond my hometown.
Probably No	I thought the nursing program was very unorganized and the instructors as well as the advisors lacked proper communication skills.
Probably No	My advisors were not helpful at all and it took me way longer to graduate than expected. The nursing program could also use some changes to make the program better. Some of the hardest classes I took had people that were extremely hard to understand teaching the class, and even when you asked questions they couldn't understand you to answer the question. I also did not like how race is such an issue at UWM. My puerto rican/black friend was told by our coach that she had to start tanning to be considered a minority on the team, because she wasnt dark enough. To me skin color shouldn't matter if you're doing something you love. If you'd like to hear more experiences i have heard about or been apart of please feel free to call me. On a more positive note, i would come back to uwm is because I did hear they have a great graduate program for NPs. I also have been part of some great extracurricular activities, and had some very wonderful teachers. To me my education is more important than petty issues so that is why i would return, I just really hope you take my experiences and try to make better experiences for future students.
Probably No	The nursing curriculum and clinical experiences were a complete joke after comparing them to the Marquette and MSoE's programs. I picked UWM because it was the only place I could afford, but now I wish I had paid private school tuition and gotten a better clinical nursing education.
Probably No	The nursing program is community based which is not at all what I feel is the education needed to prepare nurses for work after graduation.
Probably No	The premed program was good, but some of the professors were terrible. I would have definitely gone to a different school for the nursing program if I knew that I was going to switch to that.
Definitely No	Horrible customer serviceWhen dealing with staff members from many different levels a very unprofessional attitude is what I received.
Definitely No	poor resources available to students, ridiculous charges, way too expensive for a mediocre education.
Definitely No	The program did not prepare students for life in the clinical setting. Luckily, I worked in a hospital during all four years of college otherwise I would be extremely nervous to enter the field. A perfect example of the school's lack of proper education is our board passing rate. Teachers often made students focus on projects and papers instead of making sure we truly understand all of the material assigned for that semester. We often wasted 10 hours on a project or paper on a very specific topic instead of spending those hours learning the abundance of information we needed to learn that semester.