

**College of Engineering and Applied Science
2012 Graduating Senior Survey Comments by Response to
"If you had it to do all over again, would you choose UWM? Why or why not?"**

Definitely

At UWM, I was able to get an education, a degree, and research experience.

Being a University, the class sizes are small which is plus for students.

Definitely cheaper than the other engineering schools in milwaukee. Though for the price, I think we could use more technology and bigger projects. Some of the professor were not good teachers. Some of the buildings need to be remodeled. I saw many students living in the EMS 3rd floor computer lab. That lab could use better equipment, desks, and lighting. I think convenience has been a great deciding factor for me to come here. Great day and night activities. I also enjoy the Klotsche center. Great pool and all the equipment is in good condition, very great atmosphere. There are many groups to join, including SAE and D1 swim team. The school is near a lot fo businesses. Great place to find internships or co-ops.

Great People

I feel that coming to school in Milwaukee gave me an advantage because I was able to work in Industry while taking classes. I will be graduating with two years of experience in a real world engineering setting.

I got talked into starting at MU. As a student paying my own way through school, it was a terrible idea, and UWM has taught me so much more and just has a better environment all around.

I like the program and I liked he area and the city.

I love the city of Milwaukee, I could not think of anywhere I would have rather received my education. In my opinion, UWM gave me a solid, and well rounded education. My education here landed me a full time job offer 6 months before my graduation. Couldn't ask for more.

I thoroughly enjoyed my experience at UWM and the professors and staff were incredibly helpful and did a great job advancing me in my education

If I could do it all over again I would have chosen to attend UWM right after high school instead of first going to WCTC then transferring to UWGB and finally transferring to UWM to finish my degree. The school is close to home, and my experience here has been very pleasant.

It allowed to me continue to work. Plus, I received a very good education.

It was convienient and had the program i needed

Just love this town and college. It ended up being a better fit for me and what I was going for than what I thought was (UW-Madison).

Large university close to home, friendly and helpful instructors.

Small class sizes and easy to excel

Started out at the University of North Dakota but since transferring in Fall 2009, I have found that the Mechanical Engineering program at UWM is of a much higher quality than my previous institution. I wish I had started college as a freshman at UWM.

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The teachers here were very helpful and always available for help outside of the classroom.

UWM invests in its students.

UWM is a great school that provides thorough and well structured programs for education. These programs are current and relative to the industry.

UWM is a local solid school with a good reputation to employers.

UWM is the only affordable engineering school in my area.

Wish I would have started here to get it done quicker
Probably
Because of the cost
Cheap
Close in proximity
close to home
Close to home and a better value than a private school.
Close to home. Good academics.
Closest to home with civil engineering.
Good Curriculum
Good school, known in the community. Classes reflect real life work.
I enjoyed my experience at UWM.
I had some ups and downs but I will refer uwm
I really enjoyed my time at this school.
I really like the engineering school and the commitment to students there.
I was on the Swim team here, and I had a great experience and met a bunch of wonderful people. I also enjoyed the mechanical engineering department at UWM
I would probably choose UWM again because it is fairly close to home, it has good research opportunities, and it has a good program for my degree. A reason why I might not choose UWM again is that I found a majority of the students to have a lack of motivation at times and there didn't really seem to be much school spirit.
I would probably still attend because when i started college it was very important that I could commute from my parents, however if I were forced to live on campus my first year I would of went to a different university.
It fulfilled all the expectations that I had and was convenient for me.
Level of difficulty should be higher for many courses. Students should be held to a higher level of accountability.
Pros: Smaller class sizes, nice location.
Cons: Many professors care more about their research than their students
Teaching staff was great in upper level courses relevant to my major. However, for the amount of tuition paid, it would be nice if the computer labs in EMS were remodeled since most students spend over 60 hours a week in there. Would be nice to know that UWM feels like the Engineering students should have a clean, comfortable place to study. It's been 6 years since I've started my education, a few new computers have been added, as well as broken computer chairs, stained carpet, etc. that don't get replaced. I would only come back for the learning from the Engineering professors, definitely NOT for use of the facilities as a place to study and learn.
The experience was nice, the computer labs were lacking.
The size of the program was nice. Big enough for opportunities, small enough to be noticed.
There have been a lot of good opportunities to get involved in projects, teams and volunteer work.
there is no reason, not to attend UWM,
There were a few issues with the transfer agreement I was involved with.
UWM has a good engineering program and friendly environment which really helps students network and still concentrate on studies. Professors and academic staff really care about the students and want them to excel.
UWM is close to home and is more affordable than other schools.

Well I chose UWM because it was close to home but my main problem was trying to understand what my professors were saying. Most of them could not speak English very well and they talked way too fast and they didn't write neatly on the board so most of my time in class was spent trying to figure out what they were saying instead of paying attention to what was actually going on.

Probably No

Classes were canceled during semesters because of funding issues.

Disliked a lot of professors.

Few people stay on campus in the engineering program, lots of commuters and not a real "college" experience, lots of night-only classes.

GER requirements are simply a way to milk money from students. There are multiple places located on the UWM.edu domain which state this matter of fact, and that is disgusting.

I came to UWM because I already had a bunch of EE credits from MSOE and comp sci was the fastest way to a degree. If I did college all over I would have most likely attended La Crosse for a Doctorate in Physical Therapy.

I feel I would have liked to go out of state.

I felt at times that my instructors were much more concerned with their research than teaching. That said, I did have a handful of very helpful and dedicated teachers.

I should've chosen a school I really wanted to go to instead of one that was cheaper.

I would have tried attending UW-Madison instead. I enjoy the environment there better and after discussing experiences with students from that college, I often wish I would have transferred.

Lack of continuity between courses, very general, no software courses

More labs would be nice, hardly any hands-on work.

Not enough safe things to do at night CLOSE to campus

The technology in the engineering building is outdated, the subjects covered in the courses was outdated, there were too many unneeded classes for an EE degree like statics, dynamics, and thermo. Time spent in these classes could have been used on something better that would have been useful in an EE field.

There was a poor availability of classes. I did not get to complete the classes I wanted to when I chose to come to UWM.

UWM was a fine school. There are better ones though. I would like to specifically call out Dr. John Tang Boyland and Jennie Klump as being shining examples of awesome in the university system. Without them, I doubt I would have made it to graduation.

Definitely No

I am a dual-degree transfer student. I also missed some school due to military commitments. This caused a greater need for assistance from both professors and advising. I had to request that assistance to the point of being a nuisance before it was provided.

I'm treated as a number, not a person.

Too liberal of a school, did not like the political motivations of several teachers. Tuition costs increased nearly 2000% since I started, and my hourly wage stayed the same, and then to have teachers preach political views after demanding higher pay was discouraging.