

End of the Year Survey

This report presents the findings of the 'End of the Year Survey' conducted by the Student Activities, Multicultural Affairs, and Student Leadership & Community Engagement offices at UMass Boston. The primary objective of this survey was to gather insights and feedback from students regarding their involvement and experiences with various programs and events over the past academic year.

The survey, designed to be brief and user-friendly, encouraged participation by offering an incentive: a chance to win a \$200 Amazon shopping spree. Respondents were assured of the confidentiality and anonymity of their individual responses, promoting honest and candid feedback.

The insights gathered from this survey will guide us in enhancing our programs and events to better serve our diverse student community.



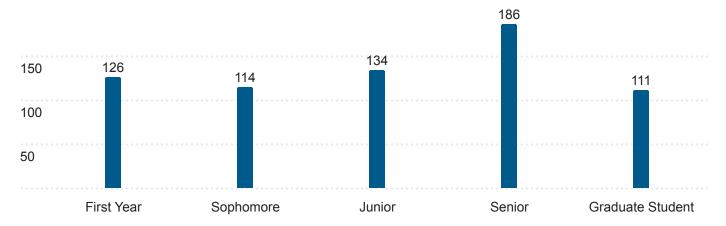


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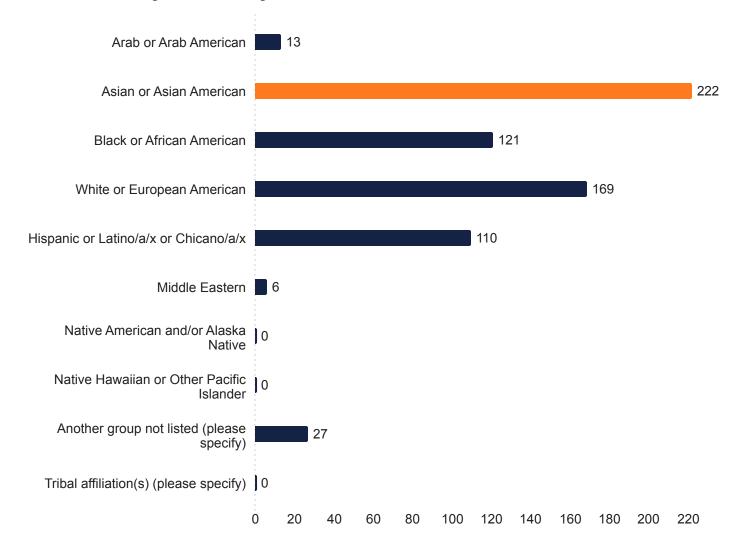
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Demographics

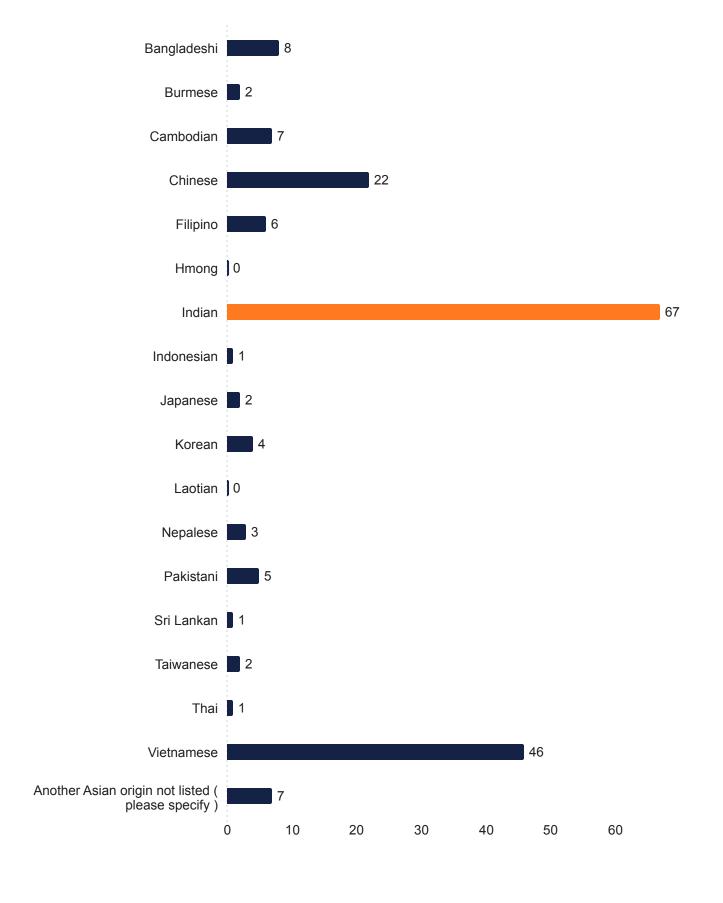
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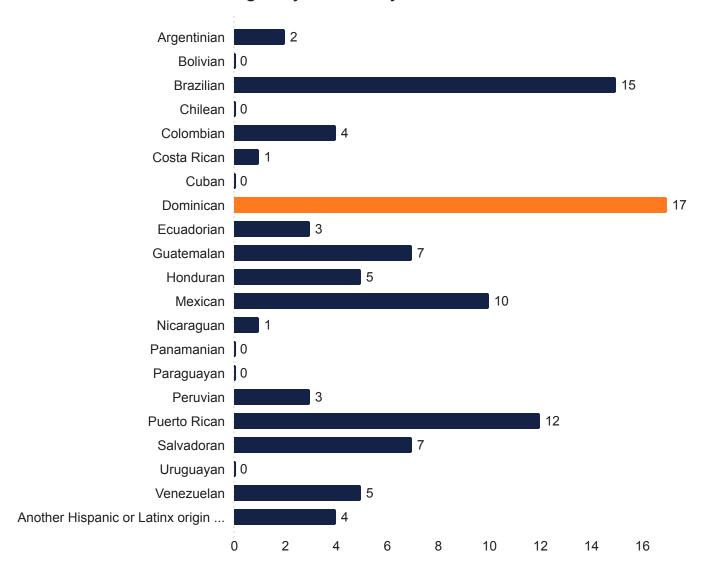
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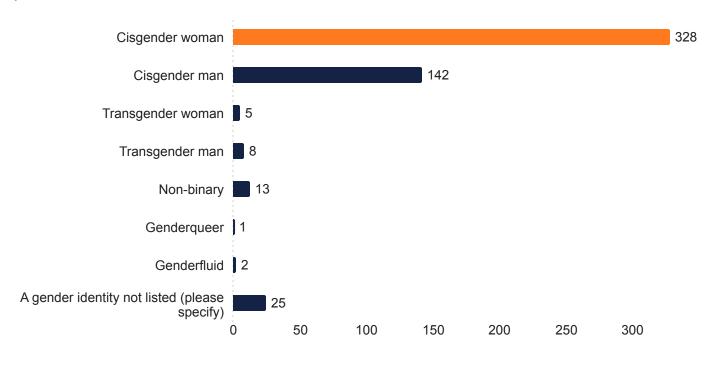
Q 2.1. You identified as being **Asian or Asian American**. Which of the following do you identify?



Q 2.2. You identified as being **Hispanic or Latino/a/x or Chicano/a/x**. With which of the following do you identify?

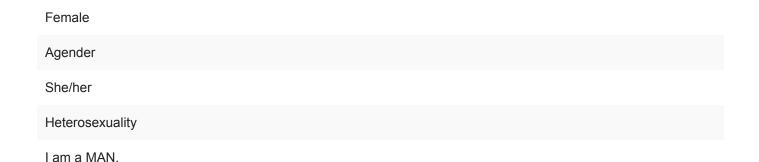


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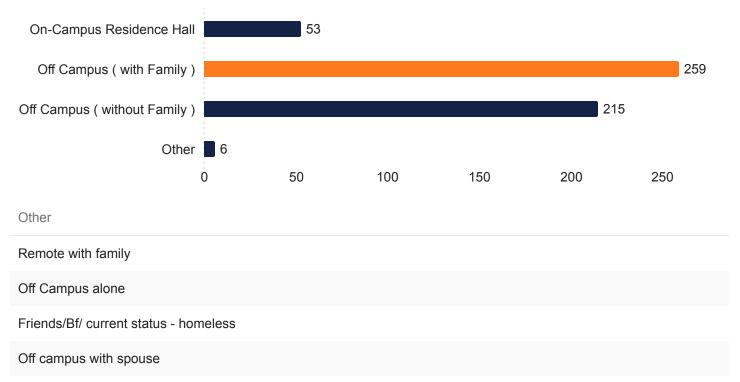


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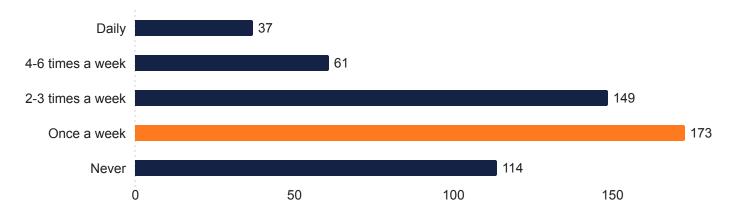
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Man
Born a woman
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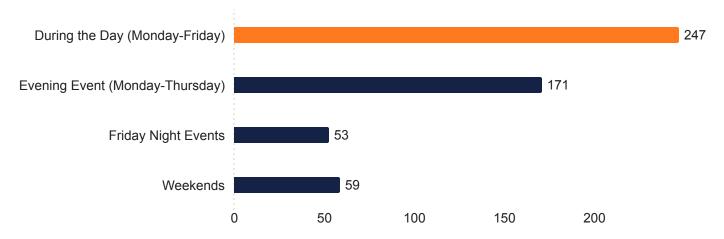
Q 4. Where do you reside?



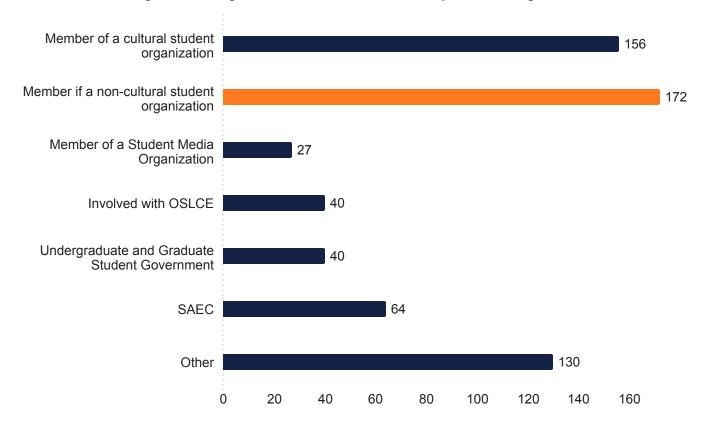
Q 5. How much time have you spent per week engaging in cocurricular activities ?



Q 6. When would you like events to take place?



Q 7. In what ways were you involved on campus this year?



Other - Text

Employed at fitness center, and research lab

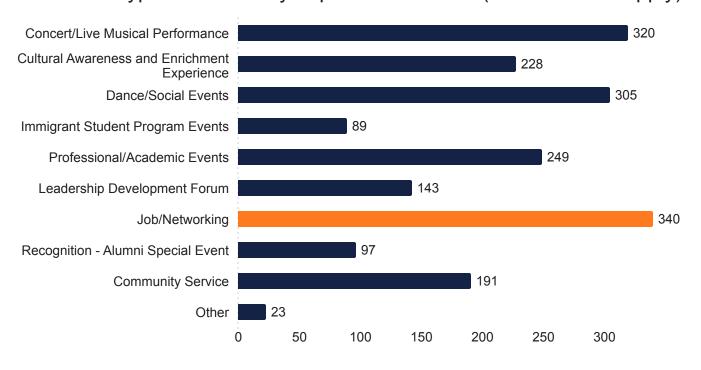
Participated in all activities

On the board of clubs

Orientation leader

N/A
GEO
None
N/a
Attended events held by communities
Housing office staff
Art Club
tennis team
Nothing
n/a
None
Art union
ArtUnion
Nothing
Was a part of KCA
None

Q 8 Which type of event do you prefer to attend? (Check all that apply)



Other - Text

I love when people have arts and crafts events in campus center. it's a perfect way to relieve stress and i rarely get the change to do crafts at home.

Anti-racist institution that the school claims it is

Table talks

Or

sports events

Movies and special non-academic speakers/interviews

Nothing

Gaming Tournaments

Crafts activities

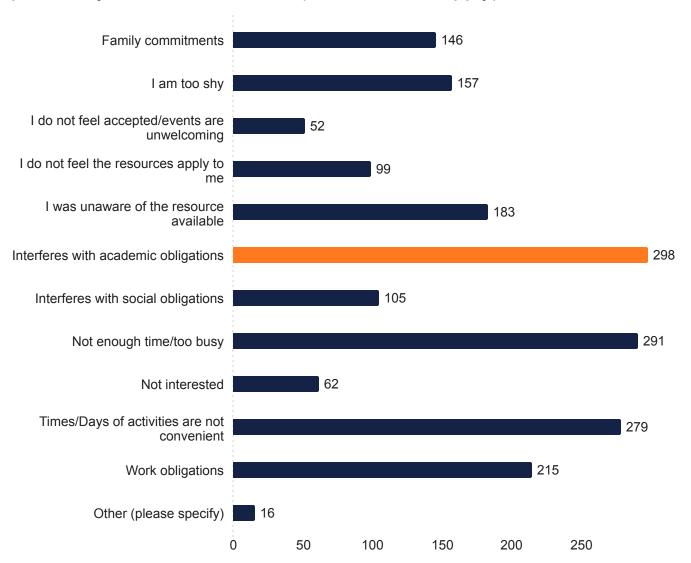
MAP event

sports/physical activities!!!

School Festivals

I dont usually attend events Anything that gives me free stuff or benefits my future Movie nights I worked Sports events Food

Q 9 Which of the following factors contribute to you not attending the previously mentioned events? (Check all that apply)



Other (please specify) - Text

school is far away

Learning of events week/later of and not having time

I don't want to go into the city just to participate in a co-curriculum activity. It's too far away and not worth my time.

most are more for undergrads

Driving to/in Boston is stressful for me

I now live out-of-state

No one else would come to the events really

Learned about events too late/organizations (even student centers) don't post on UMBelnvolved

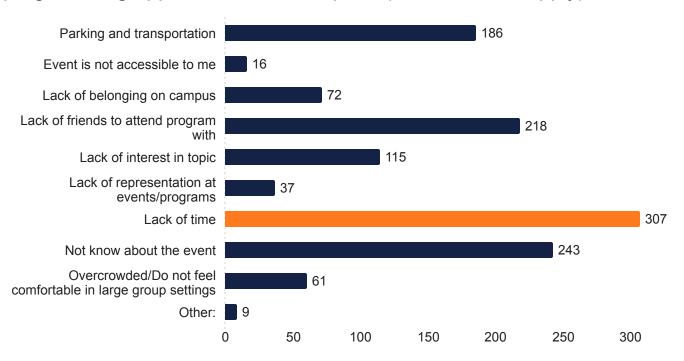
MBTA is too slow to make it to campus

Long distance public transportation travel

Live a bit far off-campus

Didn't hear about most of them

Q 10 What factors may cause you to avoid attending student programming opportunities on campus? (Check all that apply)



Other: - Text

Sitter

It costs money to go out and I don't like making unnecessary trips to attend other events.

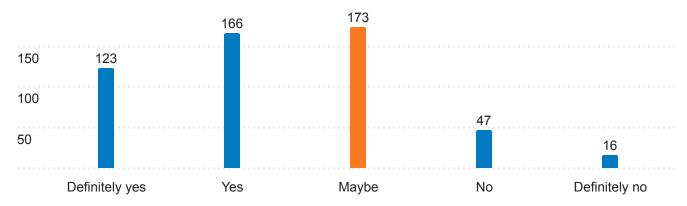
Driving into Boston is stressful for me

Whenever there is food involved, there usually aren't vegan options and sometimes it can be awkward since food is a big part of socialization.

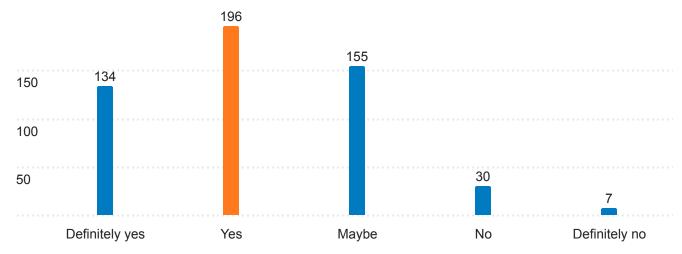
Busy with both my job and my classes

Parking is really expensive

Q 11 Do you feel your engagement created a sense of belonging with the UMass Boston community?



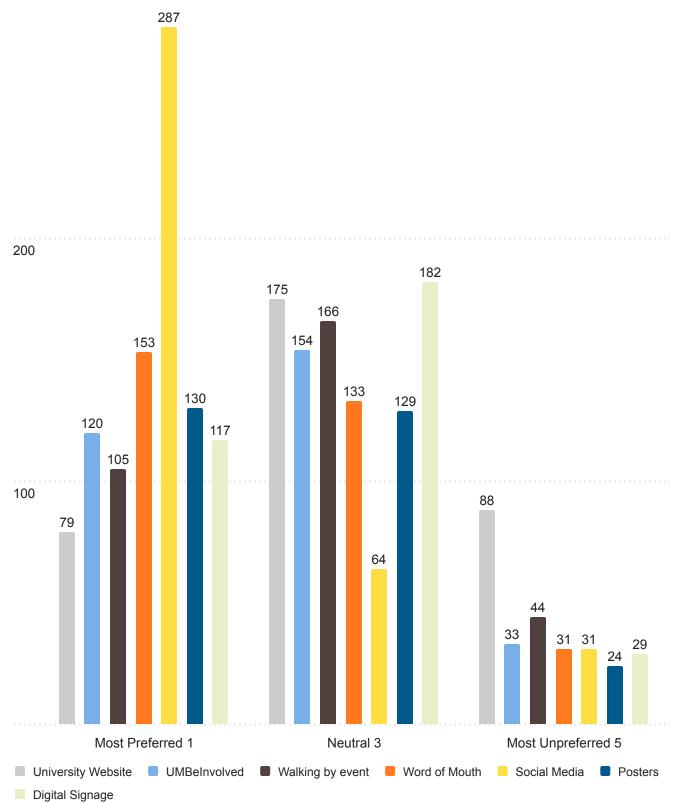
Q12 Do you feel the engagement opportunities you are connected with offer a supportive community environment?



Q 13 What was your favorite campus event(s) or tradition(s) this year?



Q 14 Please rank how you prefer to hear about the events and opportunities for individuals on campus (1 being the most preferred & 5 being the least preferred)



Q 15 If you could change one thing about your engagement this semester, what would that be? Why?

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To have attended more

N/A

I didn't have time cuz of clsss

Feeling more inclusive. School is very diverse yes but that's all. Nothing is being done besides admitting students. We are not your revenue stream

I would build the courage to attend an event hosted by a different demographic even if all those who attend fall in that demographic so that I could meet new people

Be more engaged because of the opportunities I can get to meet new people and make connections

Talk to more people

I would try to network more to build relationships.

If I could change one thing I would be more outgoing and talkative with the members of my club/organization. I would want them to see me as more a member and less a President/officer. I have been having a harder time this year feeling a part of the group this year since I think I have gotten stuck leading the group for so many years. I want to change this next year and be more involved and united with everyone.

I would like to engage in more events so I can meet new people

To be more engaged

advisor help

Check website

I would have had more engagement!

I wish I was on campus more, especially on Wednesdays, which is when I feel like most of the events happen.

increase engagement

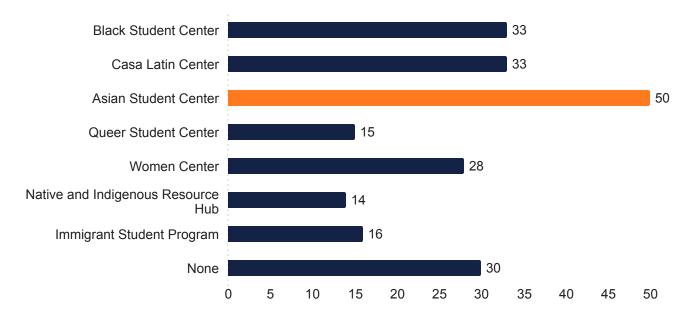
Wishing I got to attend more events. They looked fun.

finding more events on campus and not feeling shy to join

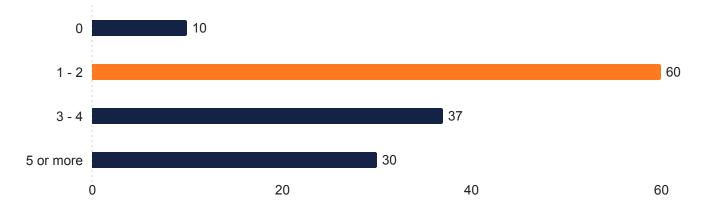
Make more time to participate in even more events and community service..

SMCA Student Multicultural Affairs

Q 1 Which events / identity based resources have you accessed this academic year? (Check all that apply)

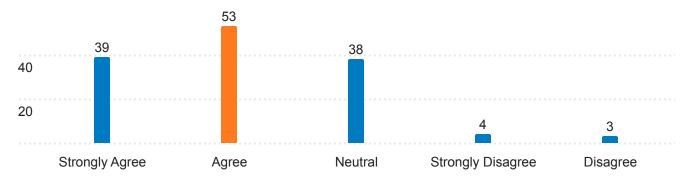


Q 2 How many cultural events have you attended this academic year?

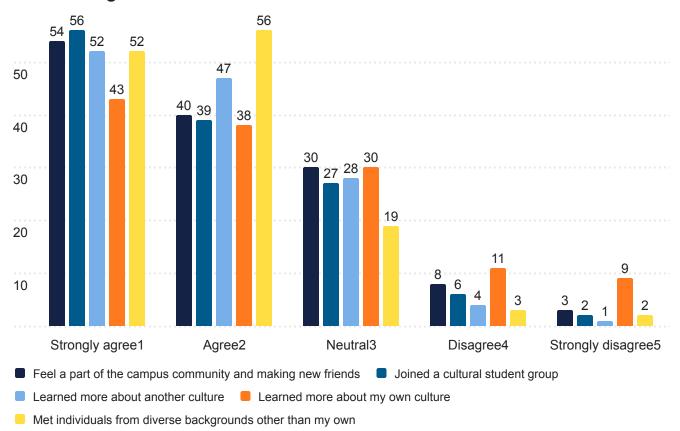


Notes:

Q 3 Do you feel the cultural events you attend adequately represent your own cultural background?



Q4 Based on your attendance at cultural events on campus, please rate the following:



OSCLE

OSCLE1 - How do you determine when you are feeling engaged?

If an event looks interesting

Based how I feel after the event

By feeling accepted to the events I go too and making sure others feel the same.

When I lose track of time in a solo activity, preferably crafts

I build many connections with colleagues.

Whenever I have a good day, I will go to these events to get away from all the work I am surrounded with.

When I get involved in events

It involves gauging one's level of interest, enthusiasm, and motivation towards an activity or project. People often feel engaged when they are deeply involved and find the task meaningful or challenging.

Whether or not I'm having fun/still want to be there

When I'm actively present and wanting to go.

When I was having fun, interacting with every members in the groups and still get the job done.

When I'm interacting with others

If I feel a specific emotion about the topic i'm being talked to about

When I'm actively listening or doing work.

I feel engaged when I see people in general

I am feeling engaged when I am interested in the event and I feel committed to giving my all to it. I have fun and feel comfortable interacting with others. I feel most engaged when I am actively taking part in an activity with others.

How i feel and also if it clashes wirth my other commitments.

When I want to actively seek an activity

I determine that I am feeling engaged when I have time to focus on myself, such as solo activities (coloring activities in the Healey library)

If I forget I have homework to do

Q 2 What projects/assignments/activities within OSCLE did you find most engaging?

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I honestly can't remember, very sorry

FLI

How open the space was so collaboration was made easy.

Community service activities at Day of Action

Currently none

I found the ones where everyone came to for communication to be the most engaging since it was not awkward and everyone talked.

Food involved events

The most engaging projects or activities might be those that allow for autonomy, creative expression, and direct impact on the community. These could include organizing community events, leading workshops, or developing new programs that address specific local needs.

FLI

Recent event with food and games outside.

Beach cleaning, raising money for BVS by selling clothes and donuts.

The Gaza Conflict Project

Any group activity was really engaging because it forces you to work with others and you all have to contribute ideas.

FLI when we went on the retreat

Hard to gauge, they were all engaging

I loved the presentation I received from OSCLE for Jumpstart training from Liz on food insecurity. I also completed my food insecurity shift with UACCESS which was an enriching experience and very insightful into the UMB community. I feel like everything I learned in Jumpstart and all its trainings helped prepare me personally and professionally.

N/A

Day of Action, giving back to my community

Coloring activities in Healey library

BVS

Q 3 What has been the most satisfying about your experience in OSLCE?

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The connections made within the UMass and Dorchester communities

Meeting like-minded people

SWSG- truly for everything for the office space, people, and mentoring.

Serving the community

Amazing speakers, wonderful attendants

I am not apart of OSLCE since I do not have time as a biology major but I do like attending the events that happen around campus.

seeing my culture being involved

The most satisfying aspect might typically be the opportunity to make a tangible difference in the community and to develop leadership skills through practical experiences.

FLI

Recent event with food and games outside.

all of them

Working with others

I have appreciated the authenticity and connection in OSLCE

Making new friends and having the PAs being so transparent.

Being able to form bonds with my peers and the program assistants

I developed as a leader and as a professional, while also gaining life skills. Being in the Jumpstart program really helped me grow and I am so glad I did it.

BVS Trip

Giving back to my community in anyway I can

Taking part in community activities outside campus

Finding a community of student leaders

Q 4 What has been the most disappointing?

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N/A

Nothing

Truly nothing I really valued my time. My only wish was to do a big event with all the OSLCE folks.

lack of food and beverage

N/A

Nothing really

Conversely, the most disappointing aspect could be the limitations set by resources, administrative constraints, or lack of support which might hinder achieving greater impacts.

I feel that day of action could've been more advertised/more information about the day and locations should have been provided

Probably not knowing these things are happening.

None

The amount of people in OSCLE

I would say just lack of communication about the various events going on

Time management and just some scheduling issues.

The lack of time I've had to do events within the different departments

I wish there was more direct interaction with Liz and the OSCLE office or we did more join events with other OSCLE programs.

N/a

Not enough people

Crowded activities

Not having enough engagement with general student body about our programs.

N/A.

Q 5 What is one change that would most improve the student and community leadership experience? What is one thing that you would not change?

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N/A

More people being involved in OSLCE and more oppurtunities for freshman specifically

Maybe updating UMB involved by making it so all students know about it. Maybe converting it to an app to easily find events and RSVP for them.

Events should be occurred on Thursdays or Fridays, that would be a great time for all who will be able to attend.

I don't think there is anything i would change. I liked everything that happened this year that I was able to attend.

One significant change could be to increase support and resources available to student-led initiatives, enabling more significant and sustained community impact. A crucial element to retain would be the hands-on experience in real-world problem-solving, as it is instrumental in fostering essential leadership and management skills.

Because this is a commuter school I think it's important to advertise events as much as possible, but I think the events held are nice

One change could be outreach. Otherwise, I don't have any other feedback.

more food

I'm not sufe

One thing I would change is making sure the word gets out there more about OSLCE a little more through posters or even just word of mouth. Just encouraging more people to talk about their involvement with OSLCE. I do enjoy how close and tight knit the community of OSLCE is

Change 1: get people to be more vocal about their absence. Not Change: the retreats. Going somewhere other than campus is much fun.

I would say change the times for events, but that is already constantly changing, but the one thing that definitely should not be changes it the atmosphere for the events!

The biggest change is that we need more engagement across the board and so trying to get more students involved as both leaders and as participants would help so much because the more people we get at events, the more engaged everyone is. I would not change how welcoming and useful the student leadership experience is because I feel like it really prepares you for life and I love the professional aspect.

N/a

More people

A few changes that would most improve the student and community leadership experience is to have more self-paced activities such as coloring. Please keep fresh fruits as snacks and freshly-made fruit juice (not from juice cartons) instead of junk food. Increase the frequency of repeat activities in the beginning of the semester.

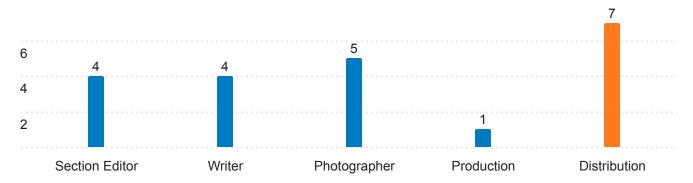
1. more accessibility to hear about opportunities 2. amount of students actually signing up.

One thing that would most improve is overall more "advertising." I was not aware of a lot of opportunities at UMass or I was notified them too late so that I can work my schedule around them. The one thing I wouldn't change is the involvement fairs, as they were quite a big event that was exciting to look forward to.

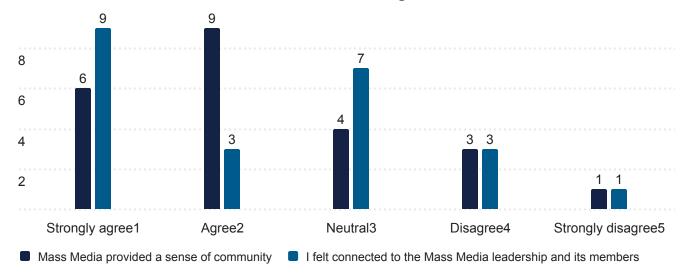
Change the undergraduate student government elections to not force a vote on all fields - allow abstentions in races

Mass Media

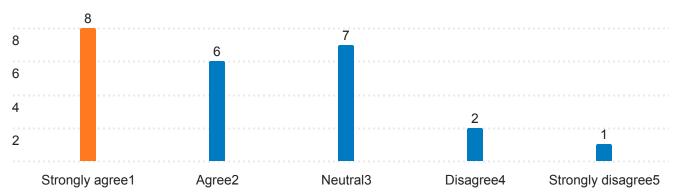
Q 1 What position did you have with the Mass Media this year?



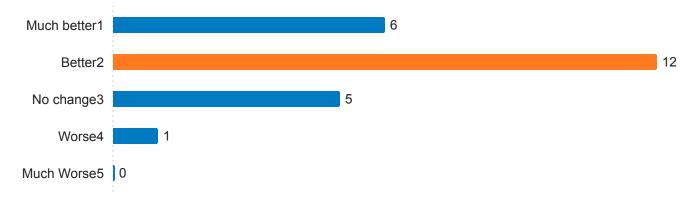
Q 2 On the scale if 1 - 5, rate the following statements:



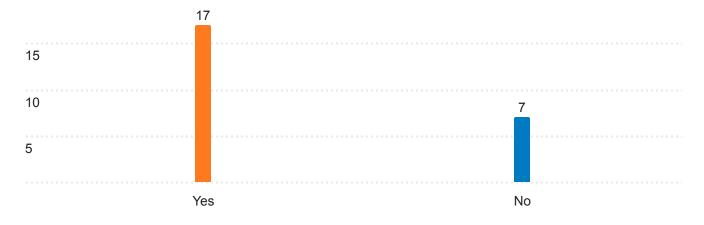
Q 3 Rate how supported you felt by the leadership and other members of the paper?



Q 4 How much did your writing improve over the year?



Q 5 Do you think the Mass Media should have a faculty member who can serve as an advisor?



Other - Text

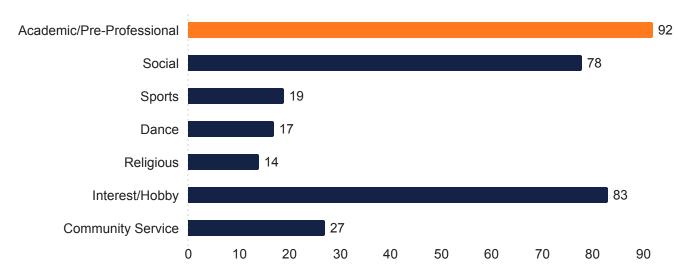
Communication amongst staff and structure of positions could be helped with. I think it'd be good to have someone explaining how different postions differ

Leadership was awful to staff.

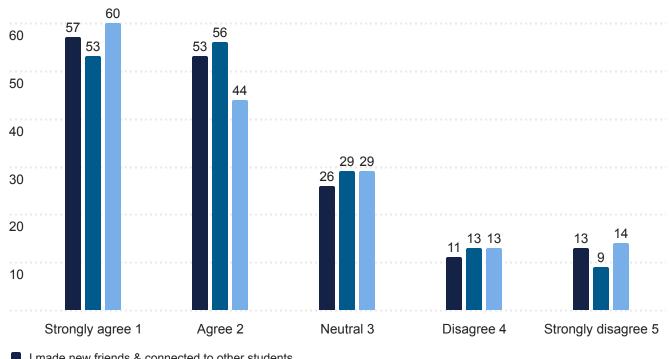
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Non Cultural Student

Q 1 What type of student organization(s) were you involved with this year? (can pick more than one)

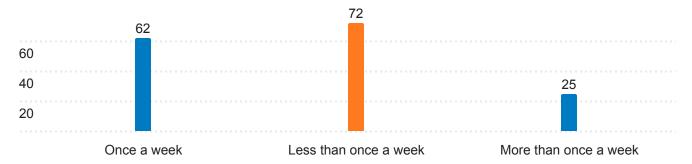


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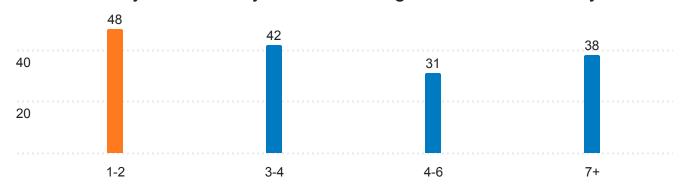


- I made new friends & connected to other students
- I learned more about a specific topic(s) through the student organization
- I became a part of a community through the student organization

Q 3 How often does your student organization meet?



Q 4 How many events did your student organization have this year?



NCS5 - Are there any improvements to UMBelnvolved that you would like to see?

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Involve ALL students not just those who live on campus !!!!!!

For the school to allow clubs to have more events and to make it easier and not so difficult for that to happen

I would like to see the site be more colorful and updated. I think some of the images of students and events are old. Posting everything current in a friendly and clear-cut way would be a great improvement.

n/a

I would say promoting UMBeInvolved more through social media because I could see promoting it as a way to check for on-campus events!

n/a

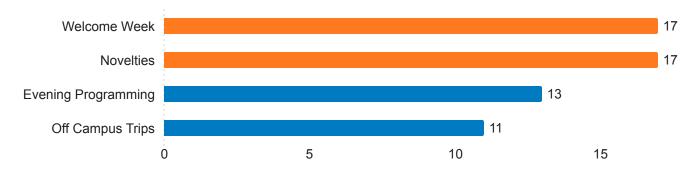
I wish that the recurring events could have their own section maybe or smaller meetings were categorized differently vs. Big events because a lot of the time cool stuff is missed bcuz the spanisj slub and AA club is meeting (which is important! But i dont go)

organizations should utilize it more
None
Advertise events more.
Not right now thank you
Customized programs that could include more students with disabilities
n/a
Many students I have talked to stated they didn't know about UMB involved so maybe making it more accessible like an app.
The forms section is confusing. Rather than using it to accept submission for our open mic and art gallery we use google forms
no
No
More notifications via email or text
N/A

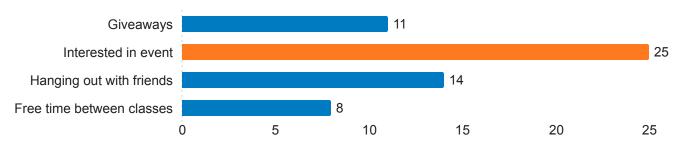
N/A

SAEC

Q 1 What type of SAEC Events did you attend this year ? (more than one answer)



Q 2 Why do you choose to engage with these events?



Q 3 What events would you like to see more of on & off campus?

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Boston Ballet with more dates/show times, more sporting events, music concert tickets, self defense classes, lazer tag, paintball, food events, etc!

More weekend events

More tickets to professional sports games around Boston

Concerts

more trips to fun and interesting places

Meeting more authors

Academic and Networking events

Off-campus trips to museums/galleries/etc.

Cultural Food Stalls!

novelties

More off campus trips and evening events

More trips to NY, there was a great turnout. Also more giveaways but at different times because I always had classes in the middle of the day

Events that you can interact more with the students and create relationships.

Celebrity talks

More gifts or give always

Game tickets

I attended both welcome weeks, novelties, evening programming and off campus trips but it only allowed me to select one option. I would love to see more events outside of campus. They are so much fun!

Musical events, cuisine events

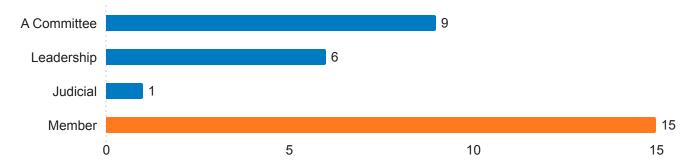
Events celebrating the arts!

More speaker programs.

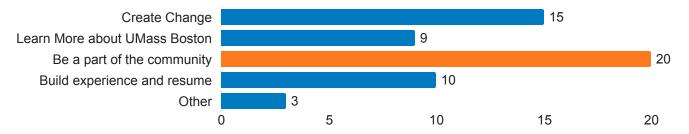


Student Government

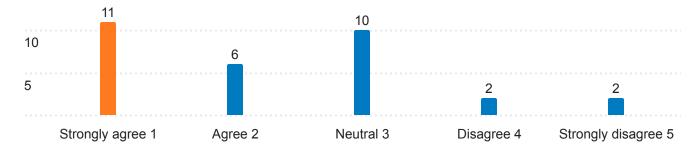
Q 1 What part of the Student Governments were you a part of?



Q 2 Why did you join the Undergraduate or Graduate Student Government ? (Choose all that apply)



Q 3 Did you feel supported by your fellow senators , USG/GSG leadership and advisors ?



Q 4 What changes would you like to see in Student Government at UMass Boston?

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WHERE ARE YALL ?? WHO ARE YALL ??AND WHAT DO YALL DO???

Need to be more diversified (nationality wise)

new member

Its going good.

Nothibg

none

Bonding party

To enhance the Student Government at UMass Boston, several changes could be beneficial. Improving transparency and communication would build trust among students. Including a broader range of student perspectives in decision-making would ensure all voices are heard. Providing better support for student initiatives with access to resources like funding and mentorship can empower students. Establishing regular feedback mechanisms would improve responsiveness and adaptability. Additionally, offering leadership development opportunities through workshops and training would cultivate essential leadership skills. These changes aim to create a more engaging and responsive student government.

more intervention from advisors

N/a

More student activities to get everyone else involved or be apart of something

I haven't heard anything to change

the policy

The university actually listening to them would be great

Q 5 On the scale of 1 - 5 how connected do you feel to the Student Government?

