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Write-ins

The following comments consist of feedback provided by students from different comment boxes throughout the Vermont Student Opinion Poll. The questions are in bold and the comments follow below in bullet points. The comments are directly copied from students (anonymous) with no changes.

Do you have any suggestions for the future of physical education at UVM?

- I feel physical education should be offered as an option for fulfilling a distribution requirement, but not necessarily required.
- Allow access to classes that are related to physical education but not necessarily the norm. Yoga, Zumba, Movement classes. OPTIONS OPTIONS OPTIONS =]
- Just make sure kids get physical activity whether it is Outing club or intramural sports
- Offer mini courses to students on fitness and health- yoga, pilates, stretching, swimming, jogging, hiking. good to promote healthy behavior and activity to last a lifetime.
- I think it was good idea to get rid of the physical education requirement.
- Count a certain number of outing club trips towards a pe requirement instead of having none at all or a more traditional pe requirement.
- Just try to encourage it as much as you can. If you force it, you lose most of the psychological benefits of exercise.
- More programs offered at different levels in the evenings. Physical education shouldn't be a requirement, however, it should be strongly encouraged. One way to do this is to offer programs at night and of different levels. Some offerings I personally would partake in would be Yoga, Tai Chi, Chi Gong, Salsa dancing, and some sort of outdoor education class.
- Just make it optional
- Some sort of proof of physical activity.
- Forget the gym requirements and put more money into expanding and improving the athletic facility. Patrick is crowded and full of old, rusty, un-adjustable equipment. Also, healthier more affordable dining options would help with the overall fitness level.
- Make it optional
- Keep up the programs that we have now.
- Have more and easier ways to do "independent studies" to prove you are physically active for those who have difficulty fitting PE into their schedules.
- Make it a co-curricular requirement that can be fulfilled through clubs, extracurricular organizations, coaching, etc.
- I think that encouragement of intramural sports, gym visits, drop-in fitness classes and other recreational fitness activities is much more effective than forcing students into a routine class. Maybe a credit could be rewarded for a

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journal of physical activity or something of that nature. Overall though, I think credit for PE is unnecessary at our age.

- Keep on PE credit and allow better access to younger students instead of just seniors and juniors.
- Maybe they should only be required to take one credit worth
- Not really people should be encouraged to stay active.
- They should re-instate the requirement. Students can get PE credit through any active club they are involved in or through the classes offered at the gym. All of that should count.
- I think that all students should be required to participate in a physical activity as part of their college experience. Students should also be required to take a class in nutrition.
- Have more physically active on campus activities scheduled by the university. there should be frisbee and soccer games and things like that as well as movie nights and food parties.
- Maybe only have to do one credit.
- The old way was fine but maybe including outing club trips or something like that as well.
- Continue offering PE classes, because many times they are fun. If students fulfill an optional PE requirement, perhaps this could translate into some sort of "honors" award at graduation or in some other way.
- Get rid of it...put more effort into improving the crappy food in the dining halls which is making us sick and fat.
- There should be some incentive for students to be active/healthy
- I'm sad to see the PE classes be cut. There were many great ones that I would have loved to take, regardless of the requirement. I don't feel it should be required.
- Keep as is w/o PE req
- Absolutely NOT on the environmental sustainability requirement below!!!!
- I think it is essential that we require physical fitness while at the University since Obesity on such a rise. We need to learn ways to keep active and take exercise. Eliminating this is hardly helpful toward maintaining a active and fit student population.
- We should have a swim test.
- Try not to make the classes in the middle of the day. I would like to take some, but can't because they are at inconvenient times.
- It should be required. The United States is plagued with fat people. The only way to get them off their asses is through mandatory physical education.
- Physical activity is a key component of overall health and well-being. While requiring specific phys-ed courses may be a little outdated, some form of physical exercise or knowledge should be required.
- bring it back. Everyone will say how annoying it was but now is complaining about it being gone. I mean Folk and Square dancing and bowling are pretty tame compared to the dodgeball and kick ball we played in high school.

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- I think having the option available is a good idea - allowing people to take PE electives, but not making them necessary so that they could be the only class holding a senior back from graduating.
- have it be an option and make it more accessible for students to take PE course
- Offer a wider selection of classes. For instance, when my sister was at BU she was able to take billiards as a PE credit.
- turn the old PE classes into campus recreation classes (pay fee)
- Make it optional with some of benefit for students who do choose to take a PE class
- put it back?
- I think that all UVM students should do PE once a year and have multiple sessions throughout the day so it's not so selective. I would like to see later PE classes, especially since I am not a morning person.
- The university should continue to offer PEAC courses as long as there is interest, which I believe will continue on such an active campus, because these classes can spark interest in new sports while maintaining activity levels and developing teamwork. I believe that a baseline physical fitness assessment should be provided to all students who do not have a physical exemption (ACCESS would be in charge of this), due to the rising level of overweightness and obesity in the US, and those who do not pass should be encouraged to participate in PEAC courses.
- Don't let athletics take the PE classes away! Campus Rec is NOT the same and it costs MORE MONEY! What is my student athletic fee even going to if all of their services cost money (besides the games I either don't care about or can't get tickets for).
- i like other options to show that they are physically active. it provides students with creative ways to fulfill that requirement while doing something they enjoy. it doesn't necessarily take up another class opportunity that could intellectually stimulating and worthwhile.
- Emphasize the involvement in club sport organizations and intramural sports. I wouldn't be at all disappointed if the PE requirement was brought back either. Even though it is not the University's place to tell people to be active, as part of a Liberal Arts education, it only seems reasonable that students should show some physical aptitude (Arts and Sciences Req) in addition to their work in a variety of academic subject areas.
- The classes offered that were considered "physical education" didn't require much physical activity - walking for fitness? archery, badmitton, etc
- Get rid of the buses, then people have to be more active and walk.
- While it's great to have physical education as a means to continue the expansion of our activity, college students should be learning to take responsibility for their own health and wellness. Physical education courses have not been necessarily active, in any case. Activity ought to be promoted and offered affordably and accessibly.

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- Knowing how to be healthy is a lifeskill so it seems to be to the detriment of the students to take away the requirement.
- Continue it--it was a great way to get active without the stress of adding a huge commitment like an intramural sport.
- Reinstate the phys ed requirement. Once these classes are no longer required, low enrollment will result in cancellation of many PEAC classes which will be a huge disservice to the students who wish to take them.
- People either will or they won't be physically fit, regardless of a physical education requirement.
- No suggestions. If people choose to be lazy slobs that's their personal choice. It should not be dictated to them that they do something.
- Bring back PE requirement.
- I think that it is good to keep recreational sports available and it would be nice to keep some popular classes as an option to still get credit for or to just be able to participate in.
- If students could just prove that they are regularly active
- don't waste so much time around it. set a minimum standard that all students must comply with.
- Free Membership to sports facilities
- Make it a requirement again, reserve spaces for all years
- It should be optional.
- A requirement may even be as little as playing an organized game of capture the flag or something non-traditional
- It is great to have the option of activities such as drop-in group fitness classes available to students. At the same time, it seems an unnecessary burden to require students to take these classes in order to matriculate.
- Push more activities like skiing programs and the such. The problem with the PE requirement was that all of the "fun" ones filled up way to fast.
- Keep the courses open! Highly suggest them to attend
- I thought the requirement was a good idea. Bring it back!
- I think higher education is about the cultivation of the mind. Whether a student chooses to partake in physical activity or not should be left up to them.
- Make PE a requirement, at least 1 credit course. Offer several conventional and non conventional PE classes
- I would appreciate if there were more various courses, such as yoga, pilatis, etc
- Provide more PE courses for students and add the requirement back with different options. The group fitness activity was a good start, but things such as skiing or hiking off-campus should also count.
- As long as enrollment stays up, keep as many classes as possible.
- I feel badly for those who have lost their jobs within the PE department, although I'm glad I don't have to pay so much money just to take a gym class. If you want to stay in shape just got to the gym

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- I think at our age its the student's responsibility to take care of their health. I think that two credit hours of phys ed does nothing to help promote a healthy lifestyle and therefore is pointless.
- Keep it as it is now; optional.
- If a requirement is put back, then more physical ed programs and classes.
- If the requirement is ever set back in place, more physical education classes have to be instituted. New topics are not required, just more classes, so that students can actually have a chance of enrolling in one.
- It should be the students decision to do it on their own time.
- I like having the option to take a PE class. Now that the requirement is gone, it has freed up many spots in those classes for people who want to take the class.
- Encourage Activity!! Make drop in group fitness free for a month not just for a week.
- I think its a great idea and it doesn't necessarily have to be a "sport". There are a ton of options and if people don't like them they should have an option to do an "independent study". I think that it much different than high school PE where everyone is forced to participate in basketball or field hockey (I hated H.S. PE) but I really enjoyed taking PE classes at UVM (ballroom, rock climbing) even though I already fulfilled my requirement with varsity swimming.
- keep them for people to take on their own
- People not participating in varsity sports or intermurals should have a class to learn about Phys ed.
- The University should promote activeness for all students. I think there should still be a P.E. requirement. P.E. classes can also be a relaxing break from a heavy couse load.
- no suggestions, it is nice to not worry about working my schedule to fit a PE requirement but the selection of classes looked interesting
- Require less physical education credits, or perhaps ask students wishing to test out of this requirement to pass a physical fitness test. I think it is important that students and people of all ages stay active.
- Instead of making students take a physical education course, provide healthy food and better incentives to exercise like "meeting new friends" or something to that extent.
- I like that classes are still offered. They should definitely be offered in the winter and summer semesters to help students who need to 1 credit to graduate, etc.
- expand the drop-in fitness program and decrease the cost to allow more people to attend these fun classes with less of a commitment than those that are graded
- No- I feel that enough college students do know how to stay healthy, and should not be required to waste credit hours on PE.
- There should be a physical education requirement again, and there should be many more options at more flexible times, being physically active should be a part of everyones college experience in order to prepare them for a healthy and active life after collegeh
- no new big ass gym

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- bring back some sort of accountability on the part of the student such as taking a PE class or passing a physical test to prove they are knowledgeable and active.
- dismiss dining halls, why not grow our own food instead of cultivating grass
- At a school like UVM, students who want to be active will pursue their choices
- I think 1 credit is better than 2 or 0. I have heard good things about PE classes, but won't be taking any now that I don't have to. It was nice in a way to have the University require you to do so.
- I think there are more important things that should be required. Like understanding that we are participating in an institution whose first objective is to make money and the second is to teach us. I think it is also important to understand how knowledge has been created, so perhaps an epistemology requirement should be required.
- let club teams use varsity fields
- I think the 2 required PE credits were a great idea. It encourages students to take full advantage of their time here. I mean, where else can you learn world dance or scuba diving?
- Physical health needs to remain an important priority during the process of mental growth
- bring it back!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
- independent study
- Make it fun
- While I do think that physical activity is important it was really frustrating to get into gym classes.
- should require at least one credit..there are a lot of great classes there and it's important for students to be active and try new things
- Give club sports bigger budgets.
- Keep it around for students who want it.
- Keep offering courses, but don't make it a requirement. We have one of the fittest campuses in the US - we can spend our resources doing more productive things than making people take physical education classes.
- You shouldn't have to take PE if you can run a mile
- It was difficult getting into a gym class that you wanted to get into, so more options would be better. PE or something to make sure students are moving and staying healthy is important, especially to make sure we stay active once out of college.
- re instate americans are fat enough

Please rank your top 3 reasons for purchasing local food.

- eating in season connects you with the earth
- All of these are great reasons to eat locally.
- This is retarded why should we have to pay for this shit.. keep sodexho?

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- I think food prices are high enough as it is and I would not support any sort of price increase, most foods purchased with points are way overpriced in my opinion
- to be honest i dont really purchase local food. I like to but I don't have the budget to do so
- Hippies make me feel bad.
- local food is stupid its just a way for people to think they are being unique. focua on education and make uvm a better school, no one outside of the enviromental bubble cares about this BS!
- Food on campus is entirely too expensive already. An increase in campus food prices would be catastrophic and your students would start starving.
- don't usually purchase local food
- I just find it ridiculous that prices around burlington how high the "local" prices are.
- because it is irrational to receive food from elsewhere when we have what we need where we are now. if you want a sustainability requirmenet on campus, use a part of campus green to make a community farm that supplies the dining halls with food
- eating seasonally

There has been interest around campus about the Keep Local Farms program, which involves helping local dairy farmers. One option may involve a price increase on the milk sold on campus. What would be the maximum price increase you would be willing to pay?

- \$.50
- make sodexo incur as much of this cost as possible
- i will pay as much as it costs
- I'm lactose intolerant so this doesn't apply to me
- whatever the cost is
- whatever it takes
- as much as necessary
- lactose intolerance = indifference, sorry.
- i don't drink milk
- I'd be wiling to pay more, but the fact that the Sodexo monopoly grossly overcharges us makes me wonder why they can't just pay the extra cost
- I don't buy milk on campus
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- we pay inflated prices for uvm food as it is
- Why aren't there write ins for other questions? What size of milk are you asking about? The little 12 ounce bottles? That stuff is made by Hood.. but for local stuff I'd pay up to 25 cents more.

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- i am lactose-intolerant, so no opinion.
- I don't buy food on campus
- I don't drink milk. Yay, Vermont Soy!
- this question makes no sense - on what volume of milk is the price increase?
Can't answer question accurately as written.
- not one campus student
- whatever it takes for local milk
- \$.50
- Not sure on the legitimacy of the program
- \$0.50
- Have sedexo and hood match the increase the students would pay.
- whatever it takes.
- This campus is already too expensive
- Vegan consumer!

How has the quality your academic experience changed in the past year?

- 3 of my classes this semester have over 150 students.
- larger classes; and less qualified/ prepared instructors.
- Low quality professors. Core curriculum in the Rubenstein school sucks.
- too big of classes
- larger classes equal worse education
- The actual classes are fine, the class size has increased and we've been put into smaller rooms. Especially unfortunate considering how sick everyone has been lately.
- There are too many students, and more of a focus on quantity instead of quality. Instead of being the quirky small university, we are leaning more towards a unpersonal university structure.
- Its gotten a lot more crowded over the course of one year... to many lines, work on that shit.
- My classes are all much fuller. I have a few classes in the same rooms as last year and this year it is much more cramped and there are many more students in them
- the classes i have taken have been upper level classes that haven't felt the hardship of class number increase and loss of good professors/resources.
- A lot more classroom crowding. Less personal time with professors.
- the classes have gotten bigger and there is a lot less interaction with the students. You start to feel like a number instead of a person. NOT GOOD!!! I want the small personal classes back
- This is my first semester, I am very happy to be here!
- But, only because I searched for it more than last year.
- Class sizes are bigger this year.
- i'm a first year

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- I am very disappointed with the quality of the actual classrooms and even many of my professors. Also, my adviser does not give good advice or even seems to try to help improve my experience here.
- physics is horrible.
- Harder to get into classes I want; classes are over-full with students; professors have to adjust teaching styles to fit more students. For example: most of my senior year courses have 50 or more people (CDAE).
- I haven't been here for an entire year yet
- my professor didnt know the prereqs of his class until 4 weeks in...
- At this point it is hard to tell. The downsizing of faculty and staff and the increase in student body size has definitely had an impact on the education quality at UVM. How much this has affected me personally I have yet to determine.
- too many kids to not enough professors. 1:16 teacher/student ratio my bum....i've never had a class under 20 in my whole 3 and a half years here. and now there are even more students.
- UVM has focused more on the ridiculousness that is local foods and environmentalism. Again focus on the education side, hire professors that would actually teach at other schools. UVM has become a joke. No one outside of vermont cares about this environmental movement, trust me. UVM in their efforts to please the ever shrinking "hippie" and environmentalist population has ruined two solid on campus dining options. The old cook commons was a great place to eat and study- now its an embarrassment. Brennans was a great spot as well, now its just disgusting, and for what? local foods. This is an embarrassment.
- It may just be the classes I am taking, but I am a first semester senior and all my classes are horrendously easy. I go to class to sign in and I listen to music and play chess through the class period and am getting As on everything.
- My upper level classes that are suppose to be smaller and more intense has grown to the point that I have not gotten the true experience and am doing worse in those classes because professors are seeing me as a number instead of a student - with more students I have to take more exams instead of projects or papers (which I am better at) and getting lower grades because of it.
- Class sizes have grown immensely, and fewer classes seem to be offered. Just about every class seems to be full as a result of this, making scheduling changes extremely difficult. It is also distracting to go to a class when you don't have enough desks for the students in class.
- I don't know that this has changed in the past year, but I have become more aware of it this year. The VAST majority of people here simply don't apply themselves, and teachers know it. In fact in most cases they cater to it or joke about it. If teachers raise their expectations (and not just of the top few) then students will inevitably raise the quality of their work, but not without a shift in the attitude of the classroom. This falls on all teachers here. They need to set the tone that a lot is expected of students.
- i switched programs, therefore it has improved.
- Classes are bigger, professors often do not have working technology to use

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- Based on what? food?
- Small classes are such an asset, and an attraction to prospective students. Please allow them to continue!
- class sizes are bigger in classrooms that are too tight. There were less variety of classes for English and Geography not cool.
- transfer student
- an upper level class I'm in has 100+ students!
- I'm finally in upper level environmental studies and soc classes, but instead of being a small discussion course like I had last year, they have 40 plus students. This isn't okay.
- i dont have any classes under 100 people
- Fogel and his administration have handled this crisis extremely well; he does not receive the credit that he deserves.
- I'm a first-year: but I like it a little more than my high school. People here still don't recycle or compost and that has disappointed me during the past year.
- My classes are so boring.
- Stop tenuring professors.
- ENVS intro curriculum needs work
- It has improved--I've gone abroad!
- Now that I'm a UVM, it's great! Such a better university than my past one.
- my classes are very good quality, but would be much more beneficial if smaller.
- Besides the fact that the marche, where I eat the majority of my meals is no longer composting due to contamination of kids who are too lazy to read a sign that says what goes in what bin.
- bigger class sizes
- Class sizes are getting out of control, and some things need to be offered more than once a year.
- More advanced and specific classes, much better professors (most likely due to the more specific classes, teachers are more involved because they are usually more involved in the subject matter/happy not to be teaching a big requirement class). Education is starting to get more hands on, though this may be specific to my major (CMSI).
- I'm starting to have tenured professors, and their quality of teaching is lower than those who are not tenured.
- Diversity classes need major help. They are all the same and students of color face sbutle forms of racist acts. Like students having fun using the N word just because it is published in the literature. It isn't fare to the students of color at all. Someone needs to look over the quality of these classes and make sure students are actually learning because I feel like they aren't.
- Couldn't get into a senior seminar English class. Due to faculty cuts?
- The classes are larger, there are more poor quality lecturers, and there does not appear to be a cut in bureaucracy comparable to the cut in education, while education should be the more important category at a university

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- More students on campus decreases quality of classes. Some good teachers weren't invited back.
- Less faculty due to last year's budget cuts means larger classes, as well as less class options. It also puts an inordinate amount of stress on our professors, making their job that much harder to do well.
- I am being conditioned and encouraged to conform. I am thankful I will soon be done with my training. thank you.
- Love my Honors College Class
- My department is flooded with new students, with less faculty. It is very apparent that my professors have more on their plates and less time for individual students.
- The University has accepted more students than it has capacity for. Classes that would have been small discussions now have 40 students. This reduces the productivity and engagement of the class. The solution to this is not to construct more buildings, but rather to reduce the acceptance rate.
- I have realized that this institution is important for making friendships and creating a network of people who realize that this shit is fucked. After this past year, I realized that I want to become 100% self-reliant and grow my own food and disconnect my stomach from the centralized system.
- I do not know what you mean
- Increasingly larger classes which used to be smaller, professors and advisors with more on their plates and more students has translated in less time for their students/advisees. I don't know if this is due to budget cuts or a bigger freshman class but it is definitely affecting the classroom and advising experience.
- As a senior, my class sizes are not really affected by the campus-wide increase.
- there were a lot of staff and professors that we relied on, and worked with that are gone now, We are also in our senior year, and many who we were going to ask for recommendation letters, and support are gone.
- Although, I am pissed at the administration for all the cuts on the various departments. I am here to get an education and I expect the university to respect my professors, for they are the ones who teach me. I think it's disgusting that our president and (far too many) vice presidents receive such high salaries when a friend of mine lost a major last year, and I find myself in overly populated classrooms.

In light of fiscal challenges facing Universities across the country, how do you feel the University handled the budget deficit last year?

- Horribly, increase the administration glut and get rid of much needed professors and staff.
- Fogel should of taken a pay cut to show that he actually cared.
- with a substantial endowment available to be tapped, it was the incorrect choice to cut jobs and lower the quality of education at UVM
- Outrageous

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- Cutting staff should be the very last option. Period.
- I think there should have been fewer layoffs and less construction and purchasing of unnecessary luxuries such as brand new imacs in the davis center and big lcd tvs throughout campus that serve no purpose other than showing announcements.
- I realize that it wouldn't have made a huge difference in the overall numbers, but administrators should have taken a pay cut, to at least symbolically show that they are in solidarity with the sacrifices everyone else has to make.
- the choices they made to were mandatoy but I dont agree with the firing of many professors, and the additional number of students. Also that new science building looks costly, why would they build a new building in the middle of a fiscal emergency?
- I think the administration has behaved selfishly by favoring bonuses over keeping professors. Professors are what makes a university, not overpaid higher ups. I don't like how they spent so much money on the Davis Center and on Jeffords building. Too much concentration on growth to accomodate more students, not enough on sustaining a higher quality, smaller school.
- Terrible, I am still very disappointed in the cuts that Varsity Athletics made last year, as well as the lack of support to those programs after being cut.
- The University exists to provide an arena for creative thought to occur. Faculty and students do the thinking; thus they are the most important part of the University. Many excellent faculty were lost over the course of last year and students have been forced into ever-increasing class sizes while Administration takes a bigger cut of the cash. This directly undercuts the core mission of UVM.
- not terribly, but not as well as it could have
- They did a great job minimizing gaps while maintaining as many jobs as possible
- softball and baseball shouldnt have been cut, but its a recession, everyone has layoffs/cutbacks, universities are no different
- The University may, or may not, have handled the budget well, but the way in which PR was handled about the budget was AWFUL. No real explanations for the budget cut choices were ever made, and that is very frustrating.
- you handled probably worse than i ever thought possible. cutting NEEDED professors (ex. from the environmental program) so all you admin people can keep your half a million+ salaries? im actually now embarrassed to say i go to uvm. You are a corporation not a place where you value educating the world's youth.
- I was as pleased as was possible in the situation with the final decisions.
- fogel did the best he cold with the situation he was handed, students need to learn that
- I lost a lot of my financial aid and almost could not come back to complete my last year of college. Also due to the cuts, my classes have lost the quality they once had and I feel like I am not learning as much as I should be.

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- The administration handled the fiscal crisis very badly, and the repercussions of its actions are still being felt strongly. This is the most important issue facing the university.
- I think that a overall pay cut, across the board, affecting faculty and staff would have been more favorable and saved more jobs, rather than cutting so many positions. I also think that the UVM community fails to recognize the effect the cuts have had on lower level staff members, such as those working in food services or maintenance, who took a harder blow and must work harder to make up for the loss of their peers.
- I hope most people check "I don't know enough to respond" but I bet most people will check NOT WELL then write about how they hate Fogel. Someone told me that the 2nd highest paid person at UVM is a faculty member, who got a 5% raise with the rest of the faculty (who can't stop their bitching EVER) while people were being fired and anyone who doesn't teach had their salaries frozen. I was also APPALLED by the fact that teachers used their classrooms to disseminate information (or I should say, in most cases, misinformation) and petitions to students. THIS IS A BLATANT MISUSE and ABUSE of the Teacher:Student relationship, and should be followed up with discipline in all cases. The classroom is for teaching, not for propoganda and/or politicking. Next time I see it happening, I am timing it and sending the University a bill for the tuition money that teacher inappropriately wasted. The worst part is that no one is telling them they are wrong to do this! Where is the Faculty Senate on this one?
- President Fogel and his ilk should have accepted a nice fat pay cut in solidarity with the people who lost their jobs, out-of-staters like me who pay through the nose to come here.
- Instead of cutting course offerings, some of the ridiculously high salaries could be cut, particularly for currently vacant positions. Take on for the team, President Fogel!
- firing teachers and increasing class sizes was done at the cost of the students, if I had wanted to go to a big university I would have gone elsewhere.
- Far too many triples. That really affects students in a negative way. Should not have spent so much money on a plant and social science building, or on WebCT which we ditched for Blackboard.
- terribly. fogel is a grade A d-bag.
- job well done.
- I know that the elimination of the Baseball team was a good idea; but I am currently involved with the IRA and we will be going over budgeting later in the week; I will be fully informed then
- awful. our president is irresponsible
- I strongly believe that involved professors and interesting courses are at the heart of a good school. I was disappointed with the University's willingness to cut faculty and staff jobs at a time when work in this country is scarce. I have never been given a satisfactory answer as to why the administration did not eliminate

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- jobs or excess expenses at the management level, or why there are so many managers (i.e. Vice Presidents) at the University to begin with.
- Students left in the dark on matters of administration policy. Budget cissues weree not made accessible before they went into effect. Misinformation and anger
 - i do not approve of how our budget was handled, but i do not know how other schools handled theirs.
 - The university should have taken the students and facutly's ideas into account.
 - I disagree with many of President Fogel's decisions.
 - Price cuts could have been taken in other areas that do not affect everyone, such as the tuition increase did and cutting staff/faculty members.
 - I don't know enough to respond was one of the answers I selected, but I guess the comment box counts as one. I know we had to make some sacrifices, but so did everyone else across the country. I still think UVM can offer a high quality education despite financial set backs.
 - It seems like the students got screwed over and have to pay more for mistakes made in the planning and running of the university further stressing them, and deepening the rift between the administration and the students
 - They botched it. They did all the wrong things and ran the school like a corporation. it didn't seem like they had the students best interests in mind.
 - why are we spending money on things we dont need
 - President Fogel and his panel of over-paid, power-suit-wearing, superficially-speaking backslappers should recieve a pay cut, instead of recieving bonuses for all of their mistakes. Just because UVM's reputation is increasing does not mean shit. What are they really doing to improve the system? NOTHING.
 - To whatever extent layoffs were necessary, Fogel et al did not demonstrate a sufficient degree of decorum, sympathy, or responsiveness. In refusing to submit to pay decreases for themselves, to bear the burdens as others did, they lose any credibility as good administrators, to my mind.

If you had a campus wide issue that needed to be addressed, to whom would you take your concern to?

- I'd take it to the students
- other students
- I would tell one of my friends who is an SGA officer
- i probably wouldn't know who to talk to.
- Woo Woo!
- Anyone I could possibly find
- I don't know. I wish there was someone who we could take our concerns to and acctually have it make a difference. Right now I would probably take it to an SGA officer.
- Bryce Jones
- It would depend on the issue.

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- Write to the Vermont Cynic
- nobody, they dont listen or do anything about it
- none. none of these people actually see me as an individual just another number who doesn't have a name.
- No one because they would only listen to the ideas that they deem environmentally important. Thats all this school cares about now.
- Class Council Adviser or President
- Class Council
- Fuck IRA. They haven't done anything except try to take more of my money. Actually WingFest is just about the coolest thing ever.
- both SGA and IRA
- I wouldn't, I've got enough to worry about
- Deal with it Myself
- other outlets and offices as appropriate
- the relevant administration employee.
- I probably wouldn't need to do anything. Everyone has a pretty good handle on whats happening and I feel the executives at UVM do the job they're paid to do.
- fogel, BOT, but if they didnt listen a dean
- the president
- NOT - res life
- Not sure how to do so and what is the best way, might just do it myself
- different situations call for different action. it really depends.
- my friends, becaus ethey would be more likely to act on my behalf than any of the above institutions or people
- Admin
- I'd protest and aviod the bureaucracy entirely
- Student Groups on Campus
- I do not really know who i would choose
- Clubs and student efforts as well as the appropriate committees/boards.
- I wouldn't know who to bring it to. maybe the SGA?

If you had a campus issue, in what way would you feel most comfortable communicating it to the SGA?

- Speaking to a Senator
- Talking to someone I know in SGA
- talk to friends in sga
- talking to friends on SGA
- none of the above
- talking to a senator
- Email or in person. I never even knew about the tix me off on Lynx before just now.
- not sure

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- I dont know what kind of problems i
- I know a few kids on Senate, I talk to them directly
- i'm on sga senate
- Calling Bryce Jones. He is so cute and a great listener.
- SGA Committee on Legislative Action
- talking to a fellow student that i knew in sga.
- I wouldnt. The SGA is a uvm run organization that shares the same skewed vision as UVM as a whole.
- the SGA is totally useless at helping isseus because what little power they have is taken up by inter-politics
- I am not connected to SGA, nor do I know who is on SGA, there I would not do anything.
- I wouldn't.
- What is Tix Me Off? I would either e-mail or drop a note in a comment box near the SGA office. Is there one? Maybe there should be little SGA comment boxes all over campus.
- I wouldn't the SGA seems aloof from the students, and doesn't do a good job of being open to our university community
- talk to my senator roommate
- The SGA does nothing. I won't waste my time on a sand-box government
- Talk to Bryce on my way to class
- talking to the SGA officer that I know
- claire chevrier

Do you feel that there are enough bike racks on campus? If so please comment on which areas need more.

- the library
- Votey, Living and Learning
- Pretty much everywhere!!! We need to encourage people to use bikes by giving them a place to lock them.
- Library
- Rowell/Davis
- University Heights South
- Library
- the south entrance of the davis center and in front of the library
- u heights south, the overhang near Aiken (new addition)
- Billings, UHeights, Marsh Life Sciences
- U. Heights South
- the library, the museum
- certain places have more than enough, others have not nearly enough
- marsh life science!

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- University Heights buildings, outside davis center, and way more indoor bike racks inside UHS
- library, the Davis Center Circle
- Marsh Life Sciences, DC, Library
- many more!
- Marsh Life, Davis Center, everywhere in general
- the library, UHS
- The Davis Center bike racks fill up pretty quickly, but the biggest benefit would be covered bike racks for when it rains.
- Library
- the library and marsh life science.
- outside the resident halls
- you sometimes have to move bikes to the right angle to make room for yours but there are a good amount if people are willing the adjust the ones already on the rack.
- Perkins
- University Heights South 1, Marsh Life Sciences, Billings
- in front of Marsh Life
- Poor trees around campus are getting a good beating. Votey, outside death star on the ground level, Williams. Will matter less in winter though.
- the library
- the library
- u-heights, aiken, davis center, library
- marshlife, williams, davis center
- library
- Williams, Davis Center...EVERYWHERE!
- residence halls
- the library, lafayette, aiken, and royal tyler theater
- waterman, the library and L&L
- on central campus
- Marsh Life Science
- Library, University Heights, Davis Center, Aiken, probably other places too...
- perkins/votey
- Hills
- Marsh Life Science is severely lacking, as well as the Library. People shouldn't have to lock their bikes to hand rails.
- the library and davis center
- living and learning and davis center and the library
- I frequently lock my bike to trees and sign posts (I have a u-lock) and this is fine with me. However, CWP (though it already has a lot) could use more racks
- There needs to be an indoor bike rack in/near the Davis Center
- The Davis Center/Bailey-Howe

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- Academic buildings. That is where there are the most bikes anyway, cuz the off campus students ride them up to campus. Have someone go take pictures of the academic building bike racks during the middle of busy class times. You'll see what I'm talking abo
- The Davis Center, the library, Waterman
- residential halls, waterman, central campus
- DC and Felmming/Votey
- Everywhere! Pretty much every residence hall, and Williams.
- Votey
- The Residential Halls. People have to chain their bikes to poles.
- Trinity Campus
- Harris/Millis, the Library
- Davis Center
- WDW, Rowell, Votey
- U heights, Waterman, and Billings front entrance
- Votey, Waterman
- Waterman (I lock mine around a tree trunk most days), Davis Center (near the central green), around academic buildings i.e. - Lafayette, Old Mill, Williams, etc.
- The Davis Center
- Marsh Life Science
- Yes, there are enough and where there aren't enough there are trees and poles that work as well. I have always been able to lock up my bike on something.
- the davis center, KALKIN, front of Billings/Ira Allen,
- everywhere
- More bike racks are needed near Rowell. I also think it would be nice to have covered areas, if not bike rooms to keep bikes out of the rain in ALL residence halls.
- Residence Halls
- Marsh Life Science
- everywhere. Trees are being damaged because there aren't enough bike racks.
- The Library, Perkin (use trees a lot), and the back of Davis Center
- almost all bike racks are reguralry full. need more near marshlife, williams, davis, library
- GreenHouse, Trinity
- davis center and library
- Lower entrance of the Davis Center, GreenHouse, outside the Marche.
- Waterman, Votey, anywhere bikes are getting locked to trees.
- the DC, on central campus, outside of eating facilities
- library, dorms
- billings, votey
- Res-Halls
- Buildings that classes are in (dorms' rack amounts are okay)
- the library, central campus academic buildings, the davis center

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- On redstone, near simpson/mason, near votey, kalkin
- the residential halls, votey
- Given/Hospital
- more near the library, davis center, and Rowell
- by the library
- Under the overhang of Marsh Life Science in front of the Aiken Building
- the library, needs more covered areas for bike racks,
- old mill, billings, BAILEY HOWE
- library, davis center, gym
- WDW, davis center
- Library
- more by the library.
- The entire campus, but particularly Bailey-Howe and the Davis Center
- there is crowding. there needs to be twice as many bike racks. There are more spots for cars than bikes- fairly contradictory. dont station and place these racks in the rain!!!!
- LIBRARY, DUH.
- rowell!!!!
- Waterman, Library, Marsh Life, Hills
- PUT MORE BIKE RACKS UNDER ROOFS
- central campus, hills, mls, aiken, these buildings house the environmental students who are more prone to ride their bikes
- WATERMAN! At least 2 more, there is no room anywhere. Bailey Howe is very overcrowded as well.
- waterman, the library
- Marsh Life Science (they're always locked to trees, etc.)
- Davis Center on the library side

Are you familiar with the current issues surrounding the Academic Calendar?

- I was incredibly disappointed when I found out we didn't have the whole week off for Thanksgiving, while having fall recess is nice and I am taking advantage of it, the whole week off for Thanksgiving was absolutely AMAZING and I hope we go back it.
- I mean, I saw tgivin and was like "whaaaat-t-tt" but besides that, no.
- am familiar with it and we NEED reading days before exams (both semesters) as well as a full week for Thanksgiving Break.
- I was very disappointed to see that we lost Monday and Tuesday of Thanksgiving Break this year in exchange for the Friday before Columbus Day. It results in students losing FOUR days with their families, including the weekend.
- Why is Thanksgiving break so short?
- would like to learn more.
- i want to learn more though!

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Are there any other issues that you have that you would like to bring to the SGA's attention?

- SGA is bitch'!!!!
- SGA RULES
- Increasing costs in tuition and life on campus.
- The Naked Bike Ride!!! Where is a question on the Naked Bike Ride?
- I live on Redstone campus and i do not feel that i have easy access to a compost bin. I also feel that it is very important that we get more cigarette receptacles on campus, especially in the amphatre.
- NOt right now. If i think of any, you'll be the first to know.
- Number 16 asking what days are most important to have off did not even have Jewish Holidays as an option. We just had two very important holidays (Rosh Hashana and Yom Kippur) and I had to miss classes on those days to go home to my family.
- Why are our professors so bad? They should get jobs for their abilities to teach, not for how many articles they publish!
- bike racks.
- Is there any way we can influence how many student get admitted to UVM in the future? I know a lot of students are worried about UVM's increasing size.
- The SGA has a duty to defend professors who are not tenured from being laid off
- SET UP OUR OWN COMPOSTING FACILITY!!!! and have compost/recycling bins in every dining area
- It would be really cool if UVM approved the keep local dairies program and started our own compost system. it would also be really cool to terminate our contract with coca cola and replace it with a more local beverage company like saranac or polar.
- There aren't enough recycling bins/trash cans outside...I walked directly from the Athletic Campus, past the Davis Center (via Rubenstein side) and to Chittenden, and didnt find a place to throw out my trash till I got to Chittenden.
- Center for Student Ethics and Standards should not be allowed to commit double jeopardy, penalizing you for something that the law has already dealt with. good work SGA! keep on rockin the free world
- The alcohol/drug policies and how the cases are handled
- I think you guys are doing a great job so far this year with really making environmental issues a top priority! thanks! Cayla Tepper
- I guess I would have to determine their opinion on certain issues, especially power generation/use, before I can tell it I agree or disagree.
- I would really appreciate it if there were more food gardens around campus. I think our school should really focus on growing as well as buying local foods. I also think that there needs to be a yoga/mediation room on all campuses, and it should be open to the public for free use whenever. Thanks for your consideration!

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- I would like to see UVM be more environmentally friendly. UVM should build more wind turbines in windier areas and place more solar panels on the roofs of buildings. Placing local plants on top of buildings would provide insulation and reduce runoff. It would also be wonderful if UVM found a way to make it so that the work done by students on the treadmills and exercise machines in the Patrick gym power some of the facilities.
- Local food would be amazing!
- <3
- Healthier more local food on campus. A piece of chicken and a salad costs me 7 bucks but I can get junk much more cheaply..UVM should subsidize the healthier options.
- Places that take meal points are really terrible on the weekends... the Marketplace/New World aren't open, the Marche doesn't have people cooking actual meals, and Waterman is far away from everything. It sucks for people who have all points.
- Kick Cola, urge not to renew the Coke Contracts. Support more local, organic food. Labeling in the dining halls, allowing students to be more informed.
- There are only a few trash/recycling bins on campus that I can think of. It would be nice to have a couple more on the Athletic Campus and near the Fleming Museum. Maybe a few of them could even have composting options.
- Compost bins should be more widespread around campus. As of now, there is no waste sorting at The Marche.
- What about packaging that comes with food on campus? I personally feel like there should be less to-go containers and students should be encouraged to sit and eat with a reusable plate or bring their own to-go's.
- Continue the no-plastic bottle campaign, and implement more compost around campus. the increase in milk price to support local farms is a great idea, and hopefully everyone will get on board!
- Improve shuttle schedule accuracy
- Bryce Jones' forearms are just too big.
- Quality of our education is seemingly deteriorating across the board when I talk to multiple people about the issue, and I am concerned about why that is and how to change it. I think more research needs to be done, but more people should be speaking up about it. It is unacceptable when we are paying all this money and time, and our professors are flat out wasting our time, unprepared, and not interested in making us think.
- I think more should be done environmentally considering the fact that we call ourselves the environmental university
- the lack of diversity in clubs and greek life
- Still angry about the calendar
- Thanks for bringing environmental issues to the table
- I was disgusted to see over 25% of these questions were regarding a sustainability requirement, local foods, or bottled water. Is this all the SGA is focusing on? Why are there no questions regarding SAFETY around campus!?

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Or Residential Life!? Or Transportation and Parking? What about the SGA CLUBS!? Oh, and I loved the one question about academics which I'm sure the SGA will use as leverage against the administration. This was the biggest piece of shit survey I have ever taken. Open your eyes SGA, there are bigger issues around campus than composting.

- Local Food!
- I think the cost of food in the Davis Center is ridiculous! I try to avoid having to buy food there at all costs. How do they expect people to buy this stuff without a meal plan?
- Rain
- i think there should be significant spending on k. rif's glamorous bod. I'm talking diamondzzzz!!!! and gemzzzz
- bryce jones = epic hottie
- More local, organic food please!!
- The Pearl and Prospect St intersection is really bad for students walking to class. I wish there was a shuttle for off campus students in the winter that stopped at Pearl and Willard, Pearl and N. Union, and Buell and Bradley. There should be 100 pages of free printing built into our tuition.
- Two things, first off the exit signs dont cost \$500 to replace, please fix. Secondly for the love of god i want a fork and knife that will work for the duration of my meal in the marche... it shouldnt be that hard, i mean really. Its a fork and a knife... made out of plants, I like the idea, but the knife couldnt cut a bowls worth of soggy noodles. And the forks break down more often than the consistantly.
- I think in addition to the course requirement around race/ethnicity and the proposed one around environmental sustainability there should be one regarding sexuality and gender issues. Thank you for all your hard work! It does not go unnoticed! Keep it up! :)
- Our children isn't learning good enough.
- Investigate the administation ie.. Athletics, Presidents Office, LGBTQA, etc
- Price of food on campus - some of it is outrageous; at the marketplace, salads and sandwiches are more expensive than pizza, but they are healthier...
- Yes, make this school real again. It has become a complete joke catering only to the environmentalist issues. I was on-campus eating lunch and wanted to take some food home with me- i asked for a bag and due to the environmental consequences they were no longer offering bags. This is an embarassment, there is a way to do things practically but as we all know, UVM officials do not have the capacity to do this, the people who run this institution are a complete joke. The bookstore sucks, the food sucks, the leadership on campus sucks. Thanks.
- Let's figure out how to bring the food prices on campus down. It's ridiculous. You're thinking about raising them? That's a Mistake. They need to come dowwwwnnnnn
- The changes to the graduation ceremonies needs to be announced to the rest of campus.

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- If you give us a fall break put it in the middle of the fall semester. thanksgiving isnt a big deal, family's are just as excited to their kids any time of year. it would be conducive to students and teachers to give a break that is right in the middle or after a "mid-term" week so that the students can take a breath and prepare for the second half of the semester. it is a lot in the fall to come back from 4 months off to not have a break until nov. it would also ease the transition of freshmen. email me if you would like to build on this concept: kylecoulam@gmail.com
- its good that you are doing his but i dont really expect that much to come from it, since its all about the money
- Make yourselves more accessible to students . . . there are issues on campus that are not being addressed because students do not know how to get in contact or feel comfortable in open forums or feel comfortable talking to people they have never met.
- Im not sure how, but make the SGA more visible.
- I don't understand the relevance or pertinence of your Association in the whole realm of UVM policy making.
- Why are we talking about a new class/internship/club requirement if we're not talking about a first year course? Most schools have this (and I sort of did with my Arts and Sciences TAP course) and it can be used to introduce people to social justice, environmental responsibility and sustainability, as well as alcohol issues, STDs, all that other shit that is important that never enters the classroom for some dumb reason. A first year course that EVERYONE takes can cover all of these things plus promote first year identity and help first years go through their integration difficulties together.
- All the senators this semester are soooo cool but kind of hippies.
- As the time approaches again for the Advent season I would ask the SGA to remember its commitment to diversity. Last year the Creche, which had been generously donated, was vandalized. This did not draw a single word from the SGA. If the SGA truly wishes to be considered as committed to diversity then it needs to show it through its actions. Pray that this year the Creche may be left unharmed. However, should the same
- I'd just like to reiterate that shortening the week of thanksgiving was the most inconvenient thing that could have been done. So I'm taking those two days off because traveling is a lot cheaper if I leave early.
- Get rid of music in the tunnel, though I won't be using it much from now on.
- The new dining plan is rather silly. I feel like I do not have enough options, and am forced to choose between too few points or too few blocks. I realize that it was changed to avoid the issue of students running out of both blocks and points, but there has to be some sort of a happy medium at a more affordable cost.
- Please go back to the old academic calendar! To go back to having a fall break (which is ridiculous because getting Friday off is worthless except to those who live close, which is probably why they got rid of it in the first place) and taking two days off for Thanksgiving break is not conducive to those of us who live out of

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state. I'm leaving early because paying for a flight is expensive enough for a week but now that we only have three days it pretty much makes me want to transfer. I feel like whoever changed this did so without consulting the student body. I read the SGA emails this year and the past two so it was a surprise to see this change in the calendar. Though it was awesome to see the changes done at Brennans! :D And if the university thinks we need more days for exam days, why don't we take exams on Saturdays like other Universities?

- parking for commuter students-some of us have classes where the shuttle doesn't go and cannot park anywhere on campus. I have a class out at the research faucility on spear st and have 15 min between my class before it and that class. I'm almost always late because I have to run home and get my car or park illegally somewhere to get to it.
- Is it true that the university is discontinuing individual college graduation ceremonies beginning this year? I am extremely disappointed at the prospect of missing out on the intimate graduation ceremony with my schoolmates and professors with whom I've created a strong bond, as well as the more personal experience of a smaller ceremony. I hope you will give this some attention (unless it's just a bad rumor, I haven't confirmed this, but I've heard it from several sources) Thanks.
- when are we going to get a president who is a vermonter?
- Inform the students that are not as involved in what is happening more.
- More events like yesterday's Janus Forum please
- There is a serious lack of trashcans on campus. This promotes litter, and could be somewhat easily remedied!
- i love sga xoxo
- More dining halls should have the meal equivalency like they have in the northside cafe.
- The first floor of the library has gotten pretty loud. I know there are other floors that are quieter, but sometimes I need to use the computers on the first floor and it's hard to concentrate. Do you have any pull in this?
- Overcrowding on campus
- Thank you for providing and publicizing surveys such as this one; it's nice to be informed about what's happening on campus.
- I do not think the University should be getting any bigger.
- this seems very environmentally oriented. The SGA should be working on a variety of things- not just stuff about local foods and composting.
- The use of Alcohol hand sanitizers in place of "Alcohol Free Foaming Hand Sanitizers." H1N1 is drawing closer - especially with the first confirmed case on campus - and we should be proactive and get a hand sanitizer that actually works. Please read this article:
<http://www.nytimes.com/2006/03/21/health/21cons.html>
- We need more trees on campus, esp. athletic campus.

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- I think that there needs to be more trash cans outside, because people litter simply because they don't want to carry their trash all the way to the building they are going to.
- turn down the heat!!
- No! Great job!
- More vegan options would be nice!
- It would be great if you could proofread your questions on this survey, thanks!
- I think whether or not we should have a cross-curricular sustainability requirement should and cannot be left up to students because most students do not even know what sustainability is. That is the whole point in implementing such a program
- I was very disturbed to learn about the University's new Interim Solicitation Policy. It seems in direct conflict with the right to free speech guaranteed to every US citizen. Just as someone else has the right to say something I disagree with, I have the right to not listen or look away. The university need not regulate this.
- Parking permits are way overpriced, for so much money we should have better and more parking options. The four semester on campus living requirement is awful considering that there is a housing shortage already, and most of us on campus would like to move off.
- More compost offered, even outside of dining halls. Compost officers at dining halls to make sure things are being composted correctly
- Require professors to post course information (Bio, curriculum, reading list, course goals) online during registration period
- SGA is doing well, lots more to do. Leon, Blanka and Jess should get raises there awesome!
- Nothing else besides the importance of local foods!
- Please rethink the academic calendar... Having only three days off for Thanksgiving is very difficult for those of us who come from across the country! When I need two full days of travel time to get to and from Vermont, it is almost a waste of time (and money) to only be home for three days for what is a very important family holiday.
- Nothing new, but keep putting local foods in dining halls and make recycling/composting on campus clearer and easier to access (e.g. more bins)
- Security involving items placed in the storage area at cook commons. A friend of mine had his skateboard stolen recently. It's too easy to simply grab someone's belongings when leaving the dining hall. However, the storage is important to have.
- Thank you for making efforts to make a better UVM community!
- Increase sustainability education
- Love the SGA! Thanks for being so amazing and supportive of all of us here.
- we should have a whole week for thanksgiving especially with the amount of students who have to fly home!

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- There is a ton of "greenware" on campus, but there is no way to compost it in a lot of places. For example, the MarchÃ© has no composting, and my trash room in L/L doesn't have it. If we're just throwing away this compostable stuff, why waste the money on it? Making a cup or a fork out of something that could be eaten (corn) is stupid if we're not composting it. UVM did better at this last year.
- To the "green" members on the committee I think tackling the lack of compost in the marche would be a really good thing for you guys to focus on. I think your group is the right size to handle such a problem.
- Work on teaching students more about recycling, composting, and reusing items and why it is important to themselves, the university, the world and the future.
- When hosting a speech/lecture, the information provided does not always inform us that there is a fee or we have to buy tickets. I had taken off work to attend a speech for class and once I got there I found out that I had had to buy tickets and that they were sold out. No where on the events calender did it say anything about purchasing tickets.
- Make sure emphasis is kept/even increased music-wise. Trying to get bands that appeal to the community is very important. Maybe on-campus isn't the best place for them though? Are off-campus (though on-campus sponsored) events possible? I bet you attendance would actually increase. Many have reported that they don't like going to a school gym for a concert and thus don't go to them.
- Composting in the res halls; bigger/more secure containers on each floor by the trash and recycling areas that the housekeeping staff can help out with
- I don't hear of the issues the SGA talk about until they are already decided upon, the SGA need a better way to communicate to ALL of the student body.
- Columbus day is a holiday
- I am abroad and not up to date with the current status quo on campus.
- excited by the possibility of UVM supporting Vermont dairy farmers!
- Cigarette butts are everywhere in front of buildings, near benches.. Take a look around, you'll notice them. I think there is a need for better maintenance of the cigarette receptacles (more emptying) and perhaps just a few more of them around. I hate to see cigarettes floating in rainwater down the sewers.. and slowly becoming buried in the grass... Cigarette filters NEVER decompose...
- get cracka lackin
- Why have a huge all-college-at-once commencement? It will take forever, there is no place large enough to hold the entire graduating class plus family comfortably (even outside) and what happens if it rains? We all stand/sit outside for 3 hours while we listen to hundreds of people we've never heard of graduate, for the one moment when we are announced? The college-specific graduations, while fragmenting the graduating class some, allow for a more intimate graduation experience (as intimate as such a large ceremony can be) while keeping the time of the ceremony down and giving the option of an indoor facility that can accomodate everyone.

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- Meal Plan Prices- Outrageous costs for on-campus living expenses. Example: at the Marche, it now cost \$6.59 for a 14 oz. box of cheerios, does anyone ever see that price the grocery store... ever? Answer: No. The prices are absurd!
- More organic food in Harris Millis
- If there is a time during SGA meetings that regular students can talk we need to know about it, and if there ins't then there needs to be
- Poop...lets do something with it!
- Acedemic integrity of the university
- create a bike co-op on campus.
- I would like better organic peanut butter offered, and a better effort to actually compost, whether that takes more information, instruction, whatever
- Why do you exist? In the 3 years I've been here what the heck have you done that was the least bit proactive. All you do is pass non-binding resolutions on the administration and determine the budgets of clubs. You are a waste of space.
- more computers in the library = yes please
- We need to get people inspired on this campus. We need to get their heads out of this computer and back to the land because shit is getting wacky. Soil is flowing at an "extremely rapid rate" (according to people I respect) into the ocean in the west and we are not doing anything. In such cases, inaction is still an action and it can be worse than action itself.
- This is an ongoing campaign for me- I'd really like to see more vegan options throughout campus. It's great to have options when it comes to basic survival needs like eating. Sometimes it really feels like this place is on the inconsiderate side when it comes to dining.
- Can we please get around to giving club sports storage space in the Patrick Gym? That building is enormous.
- PLEASE CHANGE THE ACADEMIC CALENDAR BACK TO LAST YEARS!
FALL BREAK IS USELESS THIS YEAR AND A FULL WEEK AT
THANKSGIVING WAS AMAZING LAST YEAR
- Tighten up, or figure out how to tighten up on the smoking on campus, and people not paying respect to the mandatory distance and the inherent mass littering that comes from imt
- grant the amount of money that clubs sports request. you have it and they request it for a reason.