

## Alumni Survey 2007 (2006 graduates)<sup>1</sup> University-wide Issues

What follows are direct comments students' made in answer to the following questions: *What had the most positive impact on you during your time at Eastern?* And, *What had the most negative impact on you during your time at Eastern?*

### Overall Experience/Campus/Reputation/Nothing Negative

#### Positive Impact

- Small Campus (572)
- The small community feeling. (642)
- The library was fantastic. (708)
- Campus. (721)
- I felt that the campus was an extremely easy campus to learn and to be able to get around. The campus is very student friendly. (736)
- The size of the school (small helped me a lot). (799)
- The environment was safe. Big enough and far enough away from home, but small enough to feel safe. (4)
- Overall was a great experience and a better school than where I transferred from. (9)
- I loved my time at EIU. (19)
- Campus atmosphere [was] enjoyable. (23)
- The atmosphere at EIU was wonderful. (24)
- I last attended Eastern in 1990. I thought the size of the campus was appealing. You weren't a number like at larger universities. (100)
- Small school setting. (133)
- I went to a community college where my mother taught (free tuition) from a very small high school, so I definitely liked the small size of the university. (136)
- Friendly, helpful atmosphere. I felt like I got something out of the education and wasn't a waste of my time. Prepared me for the "real world." (161)
- Community atmosphere. (179)
- Being able to go to school on a small campus. It allowed me to concentrate more. (196)
- Awesome and safe campus. I loved going to EIU! (217)
- Nice campus and friendly people. (247)
- The experience as a whole. (268)
- Campus life. (273)
- The Eastern "environment" (303)
- Atmosphere (people). (354)
- The environment. (384)
- Also, everything on campus is close together and easy to get to. (424)
- The sense of community. I feel that Eastern provides students with a strong sense of belonging and has created a community in which one can feel comfortable. I loved walking through campus and recognizing most faces whether being fellow classmates, social organizations or professors. The sense of living in a "college" town made me feel comfortable and safe and allowed me to

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<sup>1</sup> The numbers in parentheses following the comments are reference numbers to alumni identification data. More information about the alumni who made the comments is available.

grow as an individual while always feeling support of professionals and peers. My overall time at Eastern provided me with memories and a strong education background that I carry with me today. (442)

- I enjoyed my time at EIU. It was small enough to have an intimate feel but large enough you met new people and had new experiences every day. (458)
- The overall experience. (468)
- I would recommend this university to anyone. It was small and it helped me stay focused and that's what young college students need. There was fun but not too much that would knock me off track. (478)
- I had a great experience at Eastern. The business college and the campus being in a smaller town attracted me to Eastern. I'd recommend this campus to anyone. (498)
- The campus layout and size. (504)
- Comfortable environment. (506)
- The positive school atmosphere and surroundings. (567)
- I liked the size of the campus. (570)
- Strong sense of community within the entire student body on campus. (600)
- The campus was the perfect size. (621)
- The close-knit community. (654)
- Overall campus is safe and welcoming—always helpful when I had questions. (663)
- Small campus size. (665)
- Atmosphere, coming from a large Metropolitan area I loved the one-on-one feel of Eastern. (669)
- The small campus. (750)
- I loved EIU. It was a wonderful college all around. (756)
- I enjoyed EIU because [of] its friendly atmosphere. (803)
- I also loved the campus and the people involved in making my education a success. (806)
- Campus. (241)

### **Nothing Negative**

- Nothing had a negative impact on me. (1)
- My time at Eastern was great! No negatives! (2)
- Nothing/ N/A/none. (8, 10, 14, 18, 41, 61, 68, 93, 101, 113, 121, 131, 146, 157, 169, 177, 216, 223, 226, 257, 262, 269, 571, 585, 599, 601, 614, 615, 636, 638, 642, 675, 679, 715, 728, 733, 774, 779, 785, 790, 792, 799, 809, 830, 838)
- I don 't have any negative thoughts on Eastern! (16)
- I have no negative comments about Eastern. (21)
- Really no negatives—enjoyed it so much I wish I could do it over again! (36)
- I do not have any negative impacts that I have happened to me at Eastern that left lasting impressions. (37)
- I would not change my 4 years at EIU for anything. I truly cherish all my experiences and memories from there. Thank you! (39)
- Nothing comes to mind. (40)
- Nothing. My college years at Eastern were excellent as far as education was concerned. I grew more socially as I was in activities and found that inter acting with other students from differing backgrounds was a rewarding experience. (100)
- I had no negative experience. (105)
- Nothing that I can recall. (110)
- Honestly, I did not experience anything negative while in the school, my issues were more personal. (127)
- N/A. SASETT Program - Off campus. (167)
- I have no complaints. (196)
- I honestly can't think of anything negative about Eastern. (228)

- I can't think of anything negative. Returning to school and graduating was the best decision I have ever made. It has also been the most rewarding experience of my life to this point. (233)
- I absolutely loved Eastern. (237)
- Looking back at my years at Eastern, one year after graduation, I can honestly and wholeheartedly say there was nothing negative about my experiences at Eastern. I truly enjoyed all 4 years of my education (251)
- Nothing had a "negative impact". (253)
- My experience at Eastern was mostly positive and any negativity was based upon my personal life and not college. (255)
- I don't think I truly had a "negative" experience. (264)
- I don't have an answer. The school was always reasonable and fair. I'm thankful. (266)
- I enjoyed my academic years at Eastern (276)
- But during my time at Eastern I loved every second of it. (298)
- I never experienced the "college life" on the beautiful Eastern Illinois campus. (455)
- Nothing really impacted me in a negative way at Eastern. (555)
- There were not negatives with Eastern. (566)
- I had no negative impact. I loved everything about Eastern. (591)
- I can't really specify one major negative impact, as most of my time at EIU was positive. (603)
- Overall EIU was AWESOME!! (631)
- I don't know, I loved it all. (637)
- I can't think of anything all that negative! Only I was capable of making my time negative sometimes by not getting involved enough. (655)
- None. I miss it. (669)
- I can't think of anything. (686)
- None that I can think of. (704)
- Nothing, everything was great. (724)
- I can't think of one negative aspect about my time spent at Eastern! (736)
- I can not think of any negative impact while attending EIU—I loved it. (764)
- There was never any negative impact. (772)
- I can't think of anything. (782)
- I didn't have any negative impacts. With each experience, I grew and I learned. What could be negative about that? (821)
- Honestly, nothing, loved it from start to finish. (832)
- Switching majors put me behind. Didn't prepare me for grad school i.e. GRE recommendation letters. (844)
- I can't think of anything negative about my time at Eastern. (841)

### **Negative**

- If you can call self-deluding myself into thinking my time there was well spent more power to you. (7)

## **Facilities/Services/Community/Staff**

### **Positive Impact**

#### **Campus Services/Offices/Programs/Facilities**

- The Trio program. It helped to write an excellent resume, interview with potential employers, and it showed me proper etiquette skills for a fancy environment/dinner. (729)
- Booth Library was extremely helpful. (197)

- Also the career services dept. was very helpful while I was applying to various grad. schools. The counselors and the secretary were great!! (120)
- The Career Services Office and staff. (139)
- Great library (133)
- The student life office. I worked closely with GA's and with Ceci which provided me with leadership and speaking skills giving me the confidence I need to teach geology labs at Auburn. (341)
- I liked all that the job fairs offered throughout the semesters. (436)
- The ICT lab is great. The continuous updates to the campus. (494)
- Extremely good help at finding a job after graduation. (506)
- The gym. (508)
- The library and the soccer fields, where I spent my free time. (515)
- Campus employment at a couple of locations made my experience wonderful with being able to balance work and school. I learned so much from those experiences. I truly believe that those jobs have more to do with my life direction than a lot of my actual class experiences. The health and wellness services available to me as a student were extremely helpful. The rec and the counseling service were beneficial to me to keep me going through the rough patches. (524)
- ITC lab. This is a great resource and I really found use in it. (540)
- Career Service helping with resumes and finding a job. (574)
- Also, having career services available. This needs to be pushed more to students. (575)
- My best experiences at the university were during university sponsored events; and my work experience. (587)
- Additionally textbook rental and the student health center made it possible for me to afford college and take care of myself. (255)

### **People/Staff**

- The staff at EIU. Every department I worked with presented a genuine and positive attitude. (510)
- The staff and library personnel were all extremely helpful when assistance was needed. (520)
- Melinda Lewis, the student teaching staff, Susan Matthews in housing, the financial aid dept, the instructors, support staff, and other college representatives took a personal interest in my success. I cannot thank them enough. (776)
- Working for President Hencken and seeing how a professional office is run. He was a great role model and inspiration for me. (810)
- Probably the work study. The student worker program at EIU. My boss Ellen Dennison and her supervisor Julia Abell for planning and institutional studies. Those ladies I worked with were flexible with my work schedule, encouraged me to be a college kid and enjoy the experience. They also taught me leadership, responsibility and teamwork. They were the best. (367)

### **Negative Impact**

#### **Campus Services/Offices/Programs/Facilities**

- Eastern police officers who think they are real cops! (833)
- Lack of technology in some classroom; poor internet & PAWS having limited hours. (20)
- Construction noises and too early during school week. (23)
- The most frustrating aspect of my time at Eastern was probably the university's attitude towards commuters. We seemed to be forgotten during a lot of the planning for various policies. The commuter lounge was a good thing. A special parking permit for commuters would be a great change. (31)
- All of the construction. (48)

- Not having a building for my degree program, but Doudna is almost done! (72)
- Campus construction. I felt that I was not able to enjoy and utilize certain facilities and buildings on campus. It seemed that during my stay at Eastern had the campus was always shut down. (106)
- Driving daily and having no place to stay. It would be nice if the university provided a "hospitality house" for students—like an extra room in the dorms etc. Finding time to complete academic work and work outside the university, which drove 3 hours daily from Lawrenceville, IL. (120)
- Lack of parking available to students and the internet not always working like it should. (143)
- The Blair fire. (151)
- The building art classes were held in (Art Park West) caused classes to be interrupted by other classes. The walls were thin and caused noise to overflow into other classrooms and interrupt lectures and projects. (183)
- The constant construction made classes and getting around campus difficult. (215)
- Lack of parking, parking problems for commuters. (245)
- Internet access. (247)
- Limitations of the facilities. (261)
- The inadequate shuttle bus out to Art Park, where my major classes were. It is difficult to ride a bike with a 3 x 4 foot portfolio case. I did get a car my sophomore year, but parking was a bear. I think only students enrolled in classes off regular campus should be allowed cars OR they should set up the bus system. (272)
- Parking. (295)
- I didn't find that Eastern had many services to offer/help with commuting students. (363)
- The constant construction on campus. (376)
- The construction was somewhat of an inconvenience. However, the improvements will be nice. (388)
- PARKING! (415)
- The road construction. (436)
- Although it could not be helped, the amount of construction while I was attending Eastern was the most negative impact on me. I know that Eastern is, has been, and will be a beautiful campus, but it was difficult to tell with all of the orange tape and metal fences. This also led to decreased parking spaces which were already hard to find in the first place. (443)
- The most negative was the fact that EIU profits from parking tickets which as given out like candy. Should I drive in this blizzard and chance a fine or stay here on my warm couch??? (463)
- Lack of accommodations for commuting students. (i.e., off-campus classes in southern part of IL, internet courses). (474)
- Parking! (510)
- The fact that the fine arts building was under construction for the entire time at the university. At times it was frustrating to have to attend all of my major classes at the off-campus location. (512)
- The facilities were only okay. (524)
- Probably parking services selling more permits than actual spots. It was extremely frustrating my first semester. I basically wasted all that money and was late for class because I was busy hunting down a parking spot. (541)
- Construction. (550)
- Being pressed for time and not finding parking! (575)
- The constant construction on campus was annoying, but I guess that needs to be done. The lack of parking spots often created tardiness for class, but I suppose I could've left earlier. (576)
- Fire in Blair Hall. Constant Construction (but will be beautiful when completed!) (606)
- The union didn't offer student an abode...it was all offices! (621)
- Lack of on-campus computer availability. Lack of parking. (662)
- Parking was horrible! I commuted to school from Salem. It was very hard to find any parking spot. (676)

- Having to commute to Art Park West for 4 years, and not having much access to computers because the lab had classes in it mostly. (716)
- All of the construction on campus. (720)
- Not getting student opinion, at least not that I ever knew about. (760)
- The construction. (769)
- The parking at times. (786)
- The construction made it hard at times. Eastern is changing with the times, but construction on some buildings occurred my total 3 and 1/2 years there. Moving and traveling was hard at times. (806)
- My most negative experience while at Eastern was detours due to construction on campus. This was a pretty minor inconvenience, but there was nothing else really negative about my experience at Eastern. (819)

### **People/Staff**

- Some of the staff was unwilling to help you with a problem. (35)
- Communication with Eastern personnel. (263)
- The student health service staff was inconsistent in the compassion for students. Some of the staff was very friendly and helpful while others were rude and lacking in compassion. At times I felt the staff thought my health issues were too trivial to be bothered with. (402)
- The hypocrisy and small mindedness of most of the staff at Eastern, including department heads and chairs. Nothing gets done on campus for other people's benefit. Everyone only cares for them self. (827)
- One of the ladies in financial aid was difficult and mean EVERY time I had to speak with her. (9)
- The attitude the staff in the Financial Aid office has when assisting students. (139)
- The Financial Aid Office was hard to work with. Everyone would tell me different things. (197)
- It always seemed that when I had a question involving financial aid, I spoke with someone who either was not helpful and/or was considerably rude to me. (215)

### **Career Preparation/Services/Job Placement**

- Did not find many companies at job fairs that were in need of positions I was seeking. I needed more direction and resources of where to look for jobs. (5)
- No help with job placements upon graduation. (23)
- I think the job fair had the most negative impact on me personally. The majority of jobs were available around the Chicago area. Not everyone wanted to relocate or stay in Chicago. I was very disappointed with the help of getting out in the workforce. The two months I was looking for a job was probably the most stressful and frightful experience I can think of. (25)
- The career center and counselors. The career center never helped me. (29)
- Career services needs to expose EIU students more to firms outside central Illinois. Larger firms need to come to campus as well. (50)
- EIU did not prepare me for a career or provide me with a career path after graduation. I am still trying to find a career that will accept my B.S. and work experience. (82)
- Not knowing what I specifically wanted to be in college right away. (109)
- I did not properly prepare myself for a career that I would enjoy. (130)
- The lack of career opportunities. (172)
- Career Services is worthless for Biology majors. (366)
- Counselors help and guidance for career choice. Steering me into a major that maybe wasn't the best choice. Hospitality in FCS might have been a better major for my profession. Also, maybe more information on what we could do with a communication degree and the expected income for the career. (390)
- Not enough help finding employment in my field. (410)

- Need to have more focus on prepping for your career and life outside of college. More job fairs with a variety of jobs, never a lot in my field, recreation administration. (430)
- I think EIU should design a better course of helping its students for the future after EIU. I didn't even hear about Career Services until almost senior year. U of I requires students to submit a resume prior to graduation and I think that is something for EIU to look into doing. (471)
- Needed more proactive guidance on how to proceed towards the next academic degree and apply for a Master's program. How to get funding for a higher level degree is still a question and since this is one key reason why I haven't enrolled into a Master's degree yet and my BA GPA is 4.0. (489)
- The most negative impact while at Eastern was not knowing what I wanted to do when I graduated. (496)
- There was no help in finding a career, after paying so much money and having great grades, it is hard to apply these to the real world. More career fairs and contacts would be helpful—used in competition to get jobs. (546)
- Not figuring out a major to pick. I really didn't know what I wanted, but I am glad I picked sociology. (549)
- Also, there should be more help with job placement. (551)
- I rushed into choosing a major and then rushed through school, taking overload and summer school. I learned it's important to take your time and making decisions and enjoy life. (558)
- Job outlook for students with a physical education with concentration in exercise science. (590)
- I just wished someone had told me that it would be very difficult to find a job teaching Social Studies. There really is nothing available. Maybe encouragement to get a PE or English minor would have been helpful. (639)
- The fact that I wanted to open my own daycare and was given the FCS major. When I began seeking employment, I realized an ECE major would have been more appropriate and helpful. (643)
- Lack of Career Services helping me find a career I liked and enjoyed. (678)
- I didn't have any negative impacts during school. It was afterwards when my degree didn't get me where I thought it should. (697)
- Choosing a non-specified degree with no real job experience is a little bothersome. It has also made job hunting difficult. (705)
- Not gaining any information which could help me with future employment. (726)
- I feel career services and the university could do a better job at assisting graduates with finding a job related to their major. (734)
- Not finding a major I liked. (750)
- Career Services. (754)
- When I realized my major was not what I wanted. I had a half semester before I could change to what I wanted. (807)
- The fact that I was unsure of exactly what major I wanted to have and that there was not much help in how to decide. (812)
- Wish I would have been better prepared for the job market. (234) (FIN)

### **Financial Aid/Tuition and Fees/Economy/Jobs**

- Paying for printing/copying. This was a pain. If I had to print/copy something really quick before class, but didn't have money on my panther card. Suggest that you do similar to the library computer lab, where you swipe your card and it bills it to your account. Do this everywhere! (3)
- The most negative impact during my times at Eastern was the fees that incurred while student teaching away from campus. While I understand that I was still entitled to some of the services, I was not able to have access to them. For example, I visited campus often on the weekends and would have liked to go to the Student Rec Center. However, I was not issued a current Panther Card and denied access. I even went so far as to make arrangements to get a new Panther Card,

but was not accommodated since my student teaching duties required my attendance during the week. It is unfortunate that I graduated with these feelings toward the university. (6)

- The bill, with no pay off for my studies. My diploma to date has opened zero doors for me. (7)
- Having to pay the activities fees for the facilities I was unable to use! (34)
- Being a penniless student. (36)
- The inability to get paperwork completed by EIU staff or the inability to get by bill corrected time after time. Makes you feel as if your matters are unimportant. (54)
- No good paying jobs for students. Pay for all printing/copying. (77)
- Frustration with financial aid. Every semester something was wrong and my disbursement was delayed. (124)
- Money hardships. (263)
- Non-traditional students do not get much direction in handling financial aid. 296)
- Tuition; about 300/mo in loans post graduation. (298)
- Financial issues. (310)
- Money. (368)
- Problems with financial aid. Untimely disbursement, paperwork/clerical mistakes.(371)
- Lack of financial aid. (384)
- Dealing with the financial aid department. (385)
- The most negative impact was the cost of education! (473)
- The fees. They are not covered by grants and scholarships so they come out of your pocket. (481)
- Miscommunication between departments. Having my schedule cleared because my bill had \$23.00 on it. Thanks for that. (543)
- Financial problems of college life in general: being broke is no fun. (584)
- The loans I have to pay off now. (685)
- Financial Aid was also always a problem and they were not helpful whatsoever. (713)
- Having to pay my own way as an adult. It was worth it though. (718)
- Financial difficulties for school and living expenses. (740)
- Dealing with financial aid—please just give answers. (747)
- Cost of living on or off campus. Full time establishment as a graduation student. Financial Aid deems 12 hr as full time w/assistantship while graduate school deems 9 semester hrs as full time. Have to overload course schedule for proper (adequate) amount of aid. (751)
- FINANCIAL AID! I WILL NEVER RECOMMEND THIS SCHOOL OR EVER ATTEND AGAIN DUE TO THE FINANCIAL AID OFFICE'S CONTINUAL MISTAKES! (780)
- Financial Aid—namely not being able to receive any financial assistance. I'm in debt up to my ears... (783)

### **Charleston Community**

- Lack of food choices (mostly Charleston's fault). Could have used more health food around campus, although I heard things have changed for the better. (133)
- The summer community (lack of). (152)
- The city of Charleston. I had some personal problems that affected my life living in Charleston. I also had a negative relationship with my landlord. (194)
- The city of Charleston. (195)
- Quality of life in Charleston. Nothing to do. (211)
- The drive to and from Eastern. I live 1.5 hours from EIU. (212)
- Maybe the distance I had to drive to student teach. (216)
- Being farther away from home. (217)
- I wish it had been closer to home, but the bus service was very convenient my first two years, then I got a car. (228)
- The location of the school, or lack of surroundings. (260)

- Charleston is too small of a town for me. By my senior year I had enough of the small town stuff. No shopping and horrible restaurants! (278)
- The surrounding area outside of campus. I felt Charleston residents did not support EIU or care much for its students. Believing them to be more of a nuisance than a part of the community. Sometimes I wish I had gone to a school where this was different. (282)
- Surroundings (no city pleasures). (354)
- Charleston has nothing to offer. If the town had more to do, students wouldn't be going home every weekend. (357)
- The lack of quality programs and activities to do on weekend nights instead of drinking. (362)
- The town of Charleston, IL. (418)
- The area needs more technology support/stores. Had to have computer accessories mailed to me through purchases on the internet. (420)
- The university is the biggest thing in town. Charleston is a small town with very little to do. Shopping, etc. required travel outside the town. (424)
- The community and university do not work well to bring in business or expand recreational opportunities; Charleston will not be a cohesive unit of citizens and students until issues such as these are taken into account. (426)
- There is not a lot to do around Eastern and their most popular activity seemed to be drinking, which I felt took away from the positive sides of Eastern. (490)
- Rural environment. (521)
- Drive and distance. (533)
- Being in a small town with little diversity. Being made to feel like an outsider by some of the local residents in Charleston. (534)
- Being in Charleston.
- My experiences were positive all around, but there is not a lot to do in town. That does not reflect badly on Eastern. (581)
- Fewer opportunities in the community due to small town/fewer resources for development outside of EIU. (600)
- The lack of analytical business internships around the city of Charleston and the county of Coles. (628)
- I also found it very difficult to get a job in Charleston. (632)
- All I can think to put here would be the lack of a mall! HaHa! (671)
- Charleston, IL. (767)
- Town of Charleston, IL. (824)

### **Personal Growth/Issues**

#### **Positive Impact**

- I wanted to finish my degree so my children would see how important it is to get a degree. (16)
- Being able to learn who I am as an individual throughout college and accepting more responsibilities. (109)
- Being challenged to do homework again, give presentations be open to new ideas, do research and write. Loved almost all of it. (123)
- EIU helped me mature as a student as well as a person. (221)
- During my time at Eastern, living on my own had the most positive impact on my life. Learning how to do school work, while maintaining all other responsibilities, helps you to grow up. (235)
- Development of responsibility, character, and communication skills. (263)
- Teaching myself time management. (274)
- I learned so much about myself and others during my 4 years. I had a great time for the first 3 years, but by senior year I was ready to move on. (278)

- The small diversity on campus helped me to humble myself and pick and choose my battles wisely. (280)
- The whole experience of living on my own and becoming my own person. (282)
- That's hard to pinpoint, but I recall different moments all the time that provoke a positive response from me. (299)
- Charleston and EIU was a great place for me, as an individual to become my own person. I enjoyed the area, education and of course athletically since I played 4 years of collegiate Division I soccer. (336)
- Broadened my social horizons. (339)
- All of my experiences will always have a very positive impact on my life. (370)
- The satisfaction I felt from accomplishing my goals. (393)
- I am more assertive. (410)
- Eastern really helped me grow and become an individual. It was hard living away from home but EIU has a lot of activities and other ways of making friends. (429)
- What had the most impact on me was that I was promoted from a clerical to Academic Professional position at the University of Illinois. This as one of the main reasons I got a Bachelor's degree. I am very proud of my accomplishments and my promotion. I know I could not have done this without the fact that Eastern offers classes online and at Parkland. This accessibility is essential for adult learners with jobs and families. (446)
- Teaching myself responsibility commitment and time management. (452)
- Being involved in many organizations and participating in lots of activities. I became more aware of my surroundings and I really came into my own. EIU has formed me into the independent, capable, and strong individual that I am today. (457)
- The most positive impact was that it is never too late for or you are never too old to further your education. (473)
- Growing as an individual and socially. (477)
- Succeeding in classes gave me confidence in myself and my abilities. (483)
- Learning to live with all sorts of people. (488)
- The most positive impact was the positive learning growth. (501)
- Everything from learning to cope and deal with teachers. Participating in classes, campus activities, working, and having friends taught me how to balance my time and helped me to become a well-rounded individual. (558)
- My human resources have impacted me the most because I use the information I acquired so frequently. (575)
- Being able to express my thoughts and opinions on certain issues. The town I am from is usually close-minded and against any new thoughts or ideas. (585)
- The work I did at Eastern helped me learn how to balance my work load and my personal life to have a life of both fun and stability. (592)
- I felt that at EIU I really had to budget my time and it really helped me with my organizational skills and my maturity of becoming a young adult. (644)
- Making my family proud. (645)
- I had a really positive experience and was a good transition to being out on my own. I enjoyed being involved in many groups and taking on more responsibilities. (649)
- Learning how to live on my own. (650)
- Demand for responsibilities and time-management. (661)
- My time at Eastern granted me a better perspective of many things. I feel more open about making decisions and more able. (705)
- Learning to live on your own, becoming independent. (721)