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Definition of Terms Used

- **Commuter Student-** Any student who does not live in institution-owned or Greek Chapter housing.
- **Non-Traditional Student-** Any student that has experienced a break in their pursuit of higher education, is married or partnered, cares for dependants, is a veteran, or otherwise considers themselves to be non-traditional.

Services Benchmarked

- **Lounge**
- **Lockers**
- **Meal Plan**
- **Ride Share**
- **Newsletter**
- **Off-Campus Liaison**
- **Housing Information**
- **Student Organization**
- **Non-Traditional Student Services**

Illinois Institutions- Great

- **DePaul**
- **Eastern Illinois**

Illinois Institutions- Good

- **Chicago State**
- **Northeastern Illinois**
- **Northwestern**
- **Southern Illinois**
- **Illinois State**
- **UIUC**

Illinois Institutions- the rest

- **Western Illinois**
- **UIC**

MAC Institutions- The Best

- **Miami**
- **Ohio**
- **Akron**
- **BGSU**

MAC Institutions- Good

- **Ball State**
- **Eastern Michigan**
- **Buffalo**
- **Kent State**
- **Toledo**

MAC Institutions- the rest

- **Western Michigan**
- **Central Michigan**

"Best Practice" Institutions

- **University of Maryland at College Park- Website Services**
- **University of Arizona- Commuter Assistants**
- **University of North Texas- Conference on Off-Campus Student Trends**

"Best Practice" Institutions

- **University of North Carolina
Wilmington- Community
Development Assistants**
- **Seattle University- Commuter
Collegia Program**

NIU Tomorrow

- **Commuter List
Serve/Web Services**
- **Commuter Assistants**
- **Commuter Meal Plan**
- **Commuter Orientation**
- **Commuter Conference**
- **Graduate Student
Involvement**



Questions?