“College Life” or Something Like It
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Evoke
About the Ethnographer

Explore
Question

The question I am addressing in my final paper is the perception and reality that the idea of "college" evokes in students.

Plan

I have had numerous friends and friends of friends fill out surveys that I compiled. The survey asks about outside influences that affected the way people think about college before entering (stories others have told, the media, visits, etc.). It then asks them to compare their previous perceptions to their perception of college now.

Observe

As I have been going through the surveys I've noticed a lot of answers that are influenced by the kind of college U of I is - it's large and public and in a college town, which affects people's perspective of what college is. Also, the fact that we have the largest Greek system in the nation is a big influencer as well.

Discuss

Reflect
Link

Connect with other resources and materials
Files:
College_Life.doc (Mon 04/30/2007 19:56)

Implications

Other

Resources for Collaborative Paper:
1) Brief history of the Department of Geology
- lists and discusses the first Chairs of the department as well was what each contributed to his position
- also talks about the number of people in the department at the time and what direction they are headed in career-wise
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2) Notes from the Geology professors at the time about their assistants
- professors list how much time is put in by their assistants and discuss the need for more because of the growth of the department
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3) Geology scrapbooks
- talks about the Cyclothem Club (the Geology Club) as well as the faculty of the Geology Department at the time
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