# **Student Perspectives**

Thursday, 20 September 2012

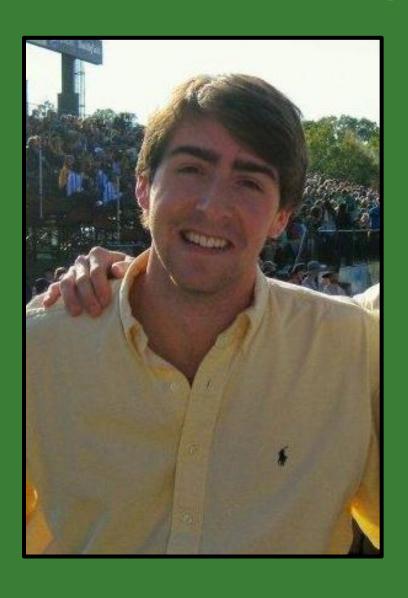
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# Who are we?



#### **Drew Chlan**



- Orientation Area Director
- 1 in 4
- Delta Phi, Order of Omega
- Sharpe Community Scholar
- Order of Omega
- Fraternity Housing Committee
   Member
- Dean of Arts & Sciences Search
   Committee Member
- Bookstore Advisory Committee
   Member
- TA for OCE
- Club Volleyball

## **Kylee Ponder**



- Office of Undergraduate
   Admissions Senior Interviewer
- W&M Haiti Compact Trip Leader
- Delta Delta Delta, Order of Omega
- Passing Notes A Cappella
- Alan K. Bukzin Memorial Bone Marrow Drive Steering Committee
- Senior Class Gift Committee
   Chair
- Teaching Fellow Dr. Anne Charity Hudley

- Our Roles & Intentions
  - –Free-flowing conversation
- Student reactions to past events on campus
- Student reactions to present events and topics of interest on campus
- Student reactions to upcoming events and topics of interest on campus

# Student reactions to past events on campus



#### Orientation

- SHOW Day
- Changes in student registration
- Increase in international students
- Colonial Williamsburg partnership

#### Convocation

- Switching of sides
  - Symbolic
  - Loudness!
- Move from Friday to Wednesday

Student reactions to present events and topics of interest on campus

#### **Graduate Student Involvement**

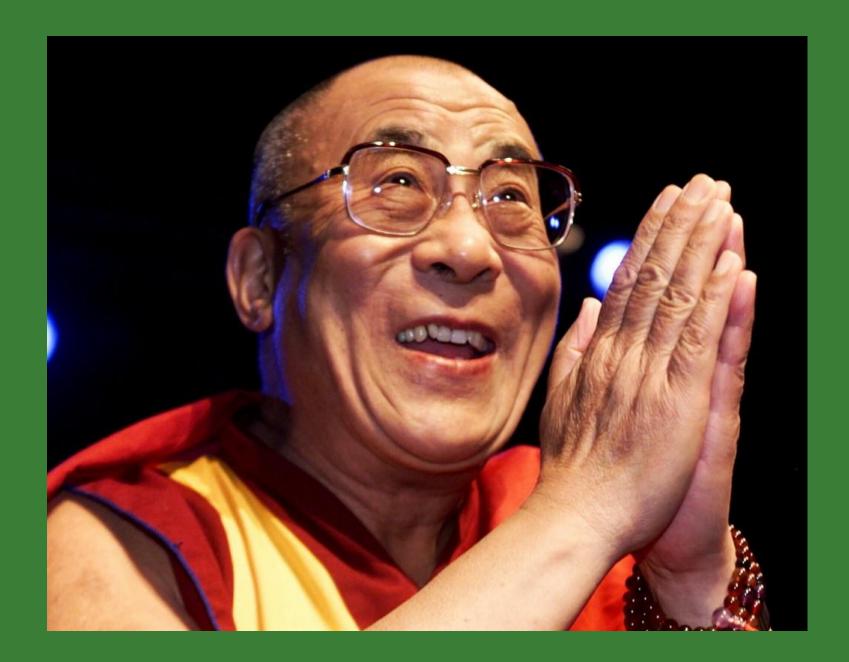
- Mason School of Business
- William & Mary Law School
- School of Education
- VIMS
- Other Graduate programs
- Lack of student engagement with "campus"

### Graduate Students, cont.

- How can we increase that?
  - Encouraging traditions
  - Bringing them on to campus more often
  - Events to integrate graduate and undergraduate populations at the College

#### **US News & World Report**

- 33<sup>rd</sup> amongst national universities
- 6<sup>th</sup> amongst public universities
- Highly praised for commitment to undergraduate teaching



### Dalai Lama on Campus

- October 10 at 2 p.m.
  - William & Mary Hall
- All students who applied for tickets received them.
- General public ticket sales are ongoing.

Student reactions to upcoming events and topics of interest on campus



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## **Greek Housing Complex**

- Student Excitement
- 11 houses
  - 17 beds per house
  - Beautiful
  - New outlook to New Campus
- Student concerns
  - Shift of social events to off-campus



http://www.wm.edu/offices/deanofstudents/services/disabilityservices/buildingaccess/blow\_hall/index.php

#### Mental Health

- Increased student awareness
  - Increased focus during Orientation 2012
- Students working together to create initiatives
  - Mental Health Awareness Week
- Dispelling stigma associated with the Counseling Center



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## **Homecoming 2012**

- Class of 2012 "Tribe Pub"
- Block Party
- Parade Friday
- Re-engaging Young Alumni through traditions
- Increasing Young Alumni giving

# Questions?

# Thank you!