



# Coffee & Conversation

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The Campus Outreach and Events Committee hosted Coffee and Conversation on Monday the third of April and asked students a series of questions regarding their satisfaction as students at Belmont University. The surveys took place on the first floor of McWhorter. Students were also asked whether they feel welcome in the Belmont community and if SGA can do anything to improve that. Students responded to the survey with their various thoughts and opinions, which we compiled below.

### Initial Intent

The goal of Coffee and Conversation is to ask students how SGA can better improve different aspects of campus life.

The following questions were asked in the survey:

“On a scale of 1 to 5, how much do you agree with the following statement ‘The opportunities for financial aid here fit my need,’ with 1 meaning ‘strongly disagree’ and 5 meaning ‘strongly agree.’”

“On a scale of 1 to 5, how much do you agree with the following statement ‘The opportunities for student employment here fit my need,’ with 1 meaning ‘strongly disagree’ and 5 meaning ‘strongly agree.’”

“What can Belmont do to improve your experience here (academics, registration, student life, etc.)?”

“What can SGA do to improve your experience here? Did we do anything that you liked this year (Homecoming, grant petitions, #BruinVote16, etc.)?”

“Do you have any other thoughts on this or any other topic that you would like to share with us?”

### Time, Date and Who the event included

Coffee and Conversation was hosted on the first floor of McWhorter. SGA set up tables offering free coffee, hot chocolate, tea and SGA ‘swag’ and asked students passing by to complete the survey.

### Discussion Notes

47 total responses

On a scale of 1 to 5, how much do you agree with the statement “Belmont helped me grow educationally and as a person this year,” with 1 meaning “strongly disagree” and 5 meaning “strongly agree.”

1: 2    2: 1    3: 4    4: 16    5: 23

On a scale of 1 to 5, how much do you agree with the statement “SGA has served me well this year” with 1 meaning “strongly disagree” and 5 meaning “strongly agree.”

1: 1    2: 4    3: 14    4: 15    5: 12

What can Belmont do to improve your experience here (academics, registration, student life, etc.)?

- Involve grad students
- Offer more student life activities
- Be more student centered/listen to us
- Belmont is doing a fair job, I am rather satisfied
- Give Honors hack priority registration
- Easier registration process
- Tuition should be locked in at start
- Better communication
- Too much power in administration
- Belmont can spend less money on houses and more on better food
- Improve student life
- I am satisfied with my experience thus far
- Registration
- Have more events that help unite the students
- More practice rooms, better service at the caf
- They could definitely try to make registration an easier process and have more events to interest off-campus students
- Lower tuition for grad students
- Housing- students (upperclassmen) should be able to come back on campus after moving off
- More dinners to meet new people
- More opportunities for work study for grad students
- Have more social things. Getting better with SAPB
- Help more with student orgs
- Better advising
- Registration
- Housing priority to honors students

- Have more “hands on” events
- Buy more server space during registration
- Do not kick Honors off of priority registration. I now at least 30-50 students who will drop Honors if we don't get priority registration
- Fix the residence life
- Priority registration for Honors
- Roll over declining points
- Belmont's killing it
- More than 16 hours for a cap

What can SGA do to improve your experience here? Did we do anything that you liked this year (Homecoming, grant petitions, #BruinVote16, etc.)?

- Involve grad students
- I think SGA can advertise their events better. Homecoming was awesome but I haven't heard about anything else
- Involve grad students
- I really enjoyed all of the homecoming events
- Really loved homecoming!
- Liked t-shirt day
- Everything is fine. I liked the homecoming event
- Keep doing what you are doing
- Homecoming was great
- Communicate better
- Accommodations to clubs
- I liked homecoming and the voting campaign was good for students
- Homecoming
- Encourage more student involvement and more school spirit
- More reach into grad students
- More pep rally ideas- loved the dance team
- What do they really do?
- Homecoming
- Listen to specific suggestions from other student orgs on campus about legislation
- Yes! All of it
- I appreciate the help getting access to administration. It helps to have a way to get your voice heard
- Grant petitions were great!
- Honestly, because I'm in grad school and haven't heard much about SGA- so maybe reaching out to us more
- Homecoming was great
- Sports
- SGA is amazing! You put a water fountain in Russell Hall. Thank you!
- Keep it up!

Do you have any other thoughts on this or any other topic that you would like to share with us?

- No, great job!
- Decrease tuition
- Just take and ask for student opinion here
- I would like to see what changes you make
- Professors here are great
- Thanks for all that you do!
- Student org still hasn't received money from grant on Jan
- I want priority back
- Scholarships "suck" here

### Conclusions and Results

Most students seem to be pleased with their experience at Belmont, according to their ratings on the first two questions of the survey. With a substantial amount of feedback, there are many policy changes that should be considered.