

1). In the past five years have you had to work a second job while working at the University? If yes, why?

Yes, because as a grad student I am only allowed to work 18 hours a week.

18 hours a week does NOT pay tuition, rent, daily living expenses!

2). While working here have you needed to borrow money or use a credit card to make ends meet?

Yes, a loan to pay student tuition.

3). If you made a livable wage, what would you be able to do that you can't do now? (In 2003 the Jobs Now Coalition estimated that the hourly wage needed to meet monthly basic needs for a family consisting of one adult with 2 children was \$19.46)

I wouldn't have to work 3 jobs. Wouldn't need student loans. Wouldn't have to have a roommate.

4). At your present salary, what do you go without?

My own car. Health benefits through my job. Saving money rather than spending it all on tuition bills, mortgage, insurance, etc.