Move UBC and Barriers to Physical Activity

Purpose

The purpose of this project was to identify the potential barriers to physical activity participation and produce recommendations for Move UBC, which would generate greater participation next year.

February is **Move UBC month** Move UBC is a campaign that showcases the various opportunities for students, staff and faculty to **move more**. #MoveUBC | move.ubc.ca

Methods

A mixed methods research approach was used Data was collected through an online survey created with Google Forms.

The survey consisted of 3 qualitative questions and 7 quantitative questions for a total of 10 questions. A total of 22 responses were collected, 13 of which were students and 9 staff/faculty.





KIN 464 Barriers to Move UBC Survey

PLEASE READ BEFORE STARTING THE SURVEY Completion of the survey indicates that you consent to participate in this study.

Which group best applies to you? *

Student

Were you aware of the Move UBC campaign last month (February) promoting physical fitness throughout campus with

Did you participate in any Move UBC events? *

O No

Your participation in this study is entirely voluntary and you may refuse to participate or withdraw

Staff/Faculty

various events? *

O Yes

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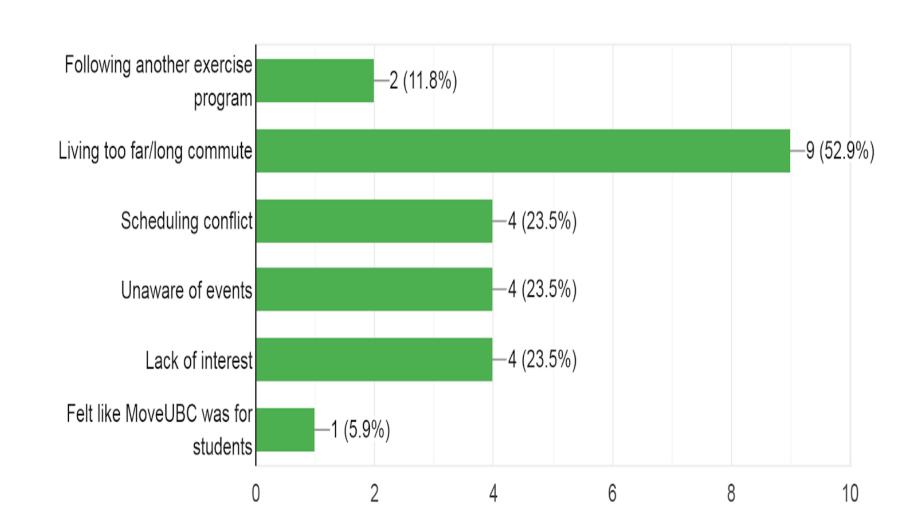
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Non Move UBC participants were given several options to explain why they did not participate in the physical activity movement.

Barriers

If you answered "No", please select which barrier(s) applies to you. 17 responses



52.9% of those who do not participate in any Move UBC events acknowledge that the long commute to and from school was a discouragement.

The lack of time due to life commitments was also a major barrier to physical activity.

Results (key data)

67% of staff/faculty and 62% of students showed

non-participation at Move UBC events

68% of Staff/Students were aware of Move UBC

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Major Barriers to Physical Activity

Living too far/having a long commute

Scheduling conflicts

Lack of time due to family and life commitments

82% of participants met the PA guidelines (92% of students, 66% of staff/faculty)

23% of students and 44\$ of staff reported being unsatisfied with their current PA levels

Recommendations

Hosting off campus physical activity events to develop a sense of UBC community

Class incentives for participation

Develop a Move UBC app similar to the Carrot Health Rewards App

Yearly promotion throughout social media



Partners



