



# ROBERT MORRIS UNIVERSITY ILLINOIS

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## COLLEGE CHANGES EVERYTHING CULTURE OF COMPLETION BREAK-OUT SESSION

### STUDENT SNAPSHOT

- 7,200 students
- 60% female
- 40% African American
- 32% Caucasian
- 28% Hispanic
- 40% 17-20 years of age
- 30% 26+ years of age
- Over 50% qualify for PELL

### STRUCTURE

- Cohort model
- Full-time enrollment
- Multiple success points
- Credentials/certifications
- Career courses in freshmen year
- Locations throughout the State of Illinois in urban areas

### BACHELOR DEGREES FOR ASSOCIATE DEGREE HOLDERS

### INTRUSIVE ADVISING

The Intrusive Advising approach at RMU assists students in remaining focused on earning a degree.

- Every student is affected
- Special emphasis on freshmen
  - specific freshmen advisors
  - specific freshmen faculty
  - special workshops for freshmen faculty
- Minimum of 3 structured meetings with advisor each 10-week quarter
  - Registration
  - Signing of schedule
  - Mid-term grades
- Faculty submit weekly grades for all freshmen

## **ENGAGEMENT**

- Study Abroad
- Athletics
- Performing Arts
- Class Presentations
- Mandatory Internships

## **POINTS OF DISTINCTION**

- Community College Week recognized RMU as a national leader for providing degrees to women in computer studies
- Washington Monthly recognized RMU as a Top 20 university for retention
- Diverse Issues in Higher Education named RMU a leader in awarding degrees