

Initial Report

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1. With regard to the Student Announcement Listserv, I prefer:

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	IndividualAnnouncement emails so I can choose which one I will open based on the subject line		381	59%
2	One larger Announcement email with all items inside it		262	41%
Total			643	

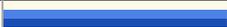
Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.41
Variance	0.24
Standard Deviation	0.49
Total Responses	643

2. If you received one email a day with all announcements combined in one email:

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	I WOULD open it.		432	67%
2	I WOULD NOT open it.		213	33%
	Total		645	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.33
Variance	0.22
Standard Deviation	0.47
Total Responses	645

3. If there was a "Research Participation Opportunity" Listserv announcement sent out once a week:

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	I WOULD open it.		393	61%
2	I WOULD NOT open it.		251	39%
	Total		644	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.39
Variance	0.24
Standard Deviation	0.49
Total Responses	644

4. If there was an NDSU website with all "Research Participation Opportunities" at NDSU listed:

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	I would visit it DAILY.		9	1%
2	I would visit it WEEKLY.		102	16%
3	I would visit it MONTHLY.		240	37%
4	I would NEVER visit it.		294	46%
	Total		645	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	4
Mean	3.27
Variance	0.60
Standard Deviation	0.77
Total Responses	645

5. Are you a Student Organization Leader (President, Vice-President, other officer)?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Yes		190	30%
2	No		454	70%
	Total		644	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.70
Variance	0.21
Standard Deviation	0.46
Total Responses	644

6. Are you a Student Researcher?

#	Answer	Bar	Response	%
1	Yes		96	15%
2	No		549	85%
	Total		645	

Statistic	Value
Min Value	1
Max Value	2
Mean	1.85
Variance	0.13
Standard Deviation	0.36
Total Responses	645

7. Additional comments that I want to share:

Text Response
Any improvement would be great!
Stop sending so many at once! Spreading them out over the week or even just the day is better than getting 15 email alerts at a late or early hour which disturbs my sleep.
It gets annoying when you receive 20 emails in the morning. Limit the amount of emails you send per day to 5 or so, and spread them throughout the day.
I like the emails separate, it is easier to read through them if I can just read the title to see if I am interested, if they were all in one email I would have to scroll through the whole thing and would be less apt to read them.
I hate list-servs. Use a more-appropriate form of mass-media.
The listserv emails are way too frequent. They either need to be more targeted or more limited. Official emails that all students need to know, such as safety or financial emails, should be prefixed with IMPORTANT or something in the subject line. All other listserv emails shouldn't be allowed such prefixes.
get rid of these stupid emails. you are blowing up my inbox.
put all the campus activities in one email, like the events what going on around campus, what clubs are doing. In another have all the important announcements. maintenance calls and stuff
a listserve by interest would be nice. It makes no sense to get sorority and SWE stuff as a guy
The list serve emails fill up more of my phone inbox than anything I get from my professors. This is getting old.
I am okay with the current standings of listserv
Listservs are so untailed to the individual that I never read them. If I got only the ones that are applicable to me, I would read them. As it stands I just delete them all.
If there was one email with a large amount of content it would be difficult to scan through. Also I think that the various messages would get jumbled together and be hard to decipher. With individual emails you are able to read the tag line and quickly delete if you are not interested. You can also keep the ones you are interested in and flag/move them to the appropriate folders
Stop sending emails at absurd hours of the day/night
As a Bismarck student, we do not need all these emails as we have no access to any of the clubs or activities.
the current system feels a lot like spam
Getting 20 listserv emails a day is annoying. Just one email with everything in it would be more tolerable.
As a graduate student, I am not eligible for a good portion of the ANNOUNCEMENTLISTSERV e-mails, and it is extremely annoying to get them constantly. For example, when a department is offering a new 100-level course or an undergraduate society is having a meeting, I do not care. And it is particularly annoying when there are important e-mails mixed in, such as e-mails containing important financial dates and deadlines. The ANNOUNCEMENTLISTSERV should be broken into multiple sub-Listserves based on the content/sender. Some examples include having separate Listservs for financial matters, add/drop dates and deadlines, undergraduate activities, etc...
I don't like getting listserv emails from every club/organization that sends them instead of just the one's I'm involved in/signed up for. We should only get the ones from groups we're signed up for based on our blackboard organizations and I also do like the emails from the campus wide events, such as "this week in the MU"
I think it would be nice for there to be a link on NDSU website that students can choose to receive specific information about. That way students who are not interested in rugby tryouts for example don't have to worry about it filling in their mailbox. It would just be a nice filter.
I would prefer I don't receive e-mails that don't pertain to me. Such as joining Fraternities, or joining the Men's Hockey team, as I am a female and do not fit the criteria for those emails.
I would never open a massive listserv with them all in it. I like to choose to open it based on the title. Possibly a separate listserv for organizations and one for student research and other categories that might interest people
I know it's difficult to send out emails to only those who want them but I get so many emails daily that I don't open. If I get 20 emails I maybe open and read 3 of them. but if I got one email with all of the announcements in them I would not open it because I don't want to look to see if I want to know about any of it. It's too much information in one shot.
Subscribe to relevant lists?
There are too many announcement emails sent at random times of day
I know a lot of people request to be off the listserv emails. Could instead of being removed from all the listservs, could the listservs be in more specific categories? Like Campus attractions, Student org events, Sporting news, university news, and special updates? Then if someone would still like to receive just the sporting updates, they could? Maybe it wouldn't be possible for students to be removed from the special announcement listservs so that there is still an official way to reach them without overwhelming them with emails?
Putting all announcements into one large email would be a great idea! One example of how it should look is the ACM TechNews
It would be great a little more filtering on the emails I get (not receiving emails from male organizations, as I am female)
There are too many listserv emails sent out.
All the emails are annoying and most of time irrelevant.
Stop sending 100,000,000 emails a day
Former student organization leader
It would be nice to receive listservs based on interests I select.. For instance, I have zero interest in rugby and soccer and would love to not receive those.
Better idea than just one announcement, do ten total. Anyone who gets it in too late is too late. Then it won't overload our emails and it won't make one massive email that clubs won't use
Could you send one single email with links to each one of the announcements so I can select the ones I want to see more info about?
Stop sending so many freaking emails! Jeez!
way too many emails from listserv
The key is the subject line. Don't change what you already do.
I open everything that comes to my email, I choose what to really read from there.
I wish I would only get announcements pertaining to my clubs or major. All of the other emails just get annoying.
The 10+ emails a day get really annoying. If one email a day were sent out with all of the info on a single email that would be great. Or, if an email were sent out with a link to an NDSU web page that had the exact same information, but just on the web page.

Listserv emails are helpful at times, but receiving as many as 12 per day is annoying and disruptive.

this is longer than two questions

The number of emails we get is ridiculous. At least allow the option to opt out or unsubscribe for those that really do not want it.

If I were to get

I really don't want to receive emails for club meetings and sports practices that I'm not a part of.

If announcements are in 1 email it should be very organized

Stop sending all the junk mail.

Cutting down the clutter into less emails would be good; as many students just get off the list one way or another.

I like to delete my emails based on the subject line. If you put it all in one email, I can't just line item veto like I do now. It saves me time the way we have it.

It's easy to sort emails sent to specific people based on gender, academic status, year, or interests. just have a interests survey

Go Bison

Tuesday Two's isn't gramatically correct. "Tuesday Two"s or The Tuesday Two both are

I'd make sure entities could not send corrections. They need to be proofread before sending. It's annoying to get 3 emails from one place because of typos

Many email announcement technologies allow the recipiant to select individual or digest options. Why not leave the decision to the student rather than mandate?

Since I'm a girl, I don't want to receive emails about sports or fraternities.

Don't do away with Listservs. Even though they might get obnoxious, Listservs are still an effective way to get the word out to a mass audience.

I REALLY wish you had multiple listservs for different subjects so students could sign up for whatever interests them. I would sign up for anything related to career opportunities and that's it. There are just too many announcements.

Most of the listserv announcements are for students who are looking to get invovled. I am a senior and studying abroad so I am already quite involved. It would be nice not to have to delete a million emails that do not pertain to me everyday.

Way too many emails. Everyone I know deletes the listserv emails without opening them.

1 super long email might turn people away/things at the bottom might get ignored unless you were searching for an announcement. Maybe divide them up by the type of email (Greek, clubs, athletics, diversity, etc.) and send 1 out regarding all the weekly announcements on 1 specific day each week. That way, we know what to look for, when. Plus we aren't getting a full inbox each day. Somewhat how "what's going on in the MU" email, it's all about the union but still has multiple days worth of information all in one place! Ps. Sorry if this wasn't fully explained- I can't see my whole comment at 1 time!

Many multiple emails is very irritating

I have it set to digest and I STILL get way too many msgs. it should be one daily if it's a digest. not hourly.

I really hate getting so many emails, particularly when I'm waiting for a different email to come through that carries some importance

Getting so any emails a day from listserv is very annoying. I think students should be able to opt out of receiving them.

Sending 20-odd ListSers out all at once (let alone at 6 am) isn't an effective way to reach students. I like the idea of one email with all announcements. Regardless, you SG peeps are doing a great job. Keep up the awesome work. :)

The ListServ is all about standing out among the others. If it's a normal, 5-8 paragraph, plain text email, no one is going to read it. Where as if there's color to it (as in the headings), it's short and sweet (a couple of line long), more students will actually read it.

The listservs come out at THE most inconvenient times. I am tempted to completely remove myself from the listserv so I don't get 10-20 emails as 5:30 AM that are usually not applicable to me anyway. That is an issue that is agreed upon my peers.

Stop the madness

it is extremely annoying to get between 5 and 15 emails daily from listserv, especially when 99% are completely irrelevant to me

Many emails do not relate to me. Try putting them through a filter. Ex: I am not a male so I can't be a part of various male sports clubs etc.

Maybe have a subscription to choose what ListServ emails we receive.

leave me alone

listservs are annoying and most of the time irrelevant

One email with brief wording would be best. If the one email would become extremely long, I would not read it. Therefore, either keep the system the way it is so we are able to delete based on the title, or change it to a summary of events email.

make the listserv more tailored

As a female I don't need fraternity emails.... Can you make groups and send emails out to people they apply to?

Listserv emails should be sent out on a rolling basis rather than all at once in the morning. This causes me to lose important emails and would be easier to manage one at a time. I would be more inclined to reading the listserv emails if they didn't all appear at the same time..

There are so many groups that get their meeting times out through the listserv, groups that are small and should create their own listserv for their group. I don't care about Spanish club meeting times or the Vietnamese club meeting times. These small groups NEED to create their own listserv for their participants and stop clogging up the NDSU listserv.

Please, please, please switch to a single announcement email. The current system is terrible.

One huge email for the listserv announcements would be great! As of now I usually just go down my emails and delete most of them after I see who they are from. If you could organize all of these emails into one that would be great! But there would need to be much organization in the one big email otherwise it will be too overwhelming and no one would read it. On a side note: I would still appreciate getting a separate email about CSO announcements such as large group meetings, deadlines etc. Thanks for your constant efforts to make NDSU a better place!

I like be able to skim thru the announcers and pick the ones I in which I might be interested

One larger Listserv email is a great idea that I think should be implemented, that way it doesn't clutter up our emails and it would get people to read them more often.

I think it would be helpful if either the subject or first few lines of the message really got to the point so i wouldnt have to read the whole thing if I wasnt interested, sometimes they are really ambiguous until you open it up and then it was kind of a trick to get you to open something you aren't interested in. You should also make sure that there is enough contact info in the listserv emails so that if I am interested and want more information without going to the specific event the email is about i can talk to somebody.

It would be nice to not open up me email and have 15 new messages every single day. However, there is good information being put out. Maybe just send out a "classifieds" email daily.

I was a freshman in 2005, and we had just one email a day with ALL of the announcements. Though it was nice to just get one email and I think that is what I would prefer, it

was difficult for your message to be seen. On the flipside, I really like with our new email that you can include graphics. The emails that have come out this fall have been very nice with organizations and departments able to attach a flyer rather than just boring text. What do other universities do? This is something I've never asked other students, but I'm sure members of SG can reach out to friends and others to see how they get out these types of announcements to their student body? I do appreciate that all of the list serves come at once, and it appears you are sending the emails before or after the typical work hours, so important emails from professors or campus offices are less likely to get included in the mix. Thanks for soliciting feedback - it's difficult to please everyone on this topic.

I delete all the listserv emails without opening them because 30 come over at a time, and annoy me/blow my phone up.

The current announcement listserv setup is absurd and spammy. Please change it!

I wish there was a way to remove my name from group listserves that I no longer wish to participate in.

Sharpton for president yall, Im outie

could we have the option NOT to receive some of the Listserv announcements?! Such as club meetings or study groups which is not related to graduate students.

send them all at the same time and at the same time of day. do not send at 11 pm or in the middle of the night!

I don't want to get information regarding to undergraduate students.(I'm a graduate student)

a list with main title, a short description and a link which connects to more reading would be helpful

too many emails

I don't like how the listserv dumps ten emails all at once into my inbox. I get that they have individual announcements and I like that, but I don't like the inbox-flooding nature of dropping them all at once.

I know when the subject of the e-mail says listserve many students including myself due tend to delete the e-mail right away. I also wish the e-mails were spread out because then im more apt to look at them individually as opposed to seeing 15-20 all at once. For me personally it's easier to just barely read the subject line and continue to delete when you have 20 emails that show up all at one time.

Send out list serve emails around 6 pm for the day before, not at 10 or 11 at night the day before.

Please stop the spam. I don't need 10 emails a day for organizations I care nothing about.

List serve should have more filters for gender/major. As a female I get sick of emails about joining men's sports etc.

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Statistic	Value
Total Responses	128