Advocacy 101

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Marquette University
Milwaukee, WI

Marquette University

- Founded in 1881
- Graduate School started in 1922
- Located in Milwaukee, WI
- Private, R2
- Catholic, Jesuit

- ~11,000 students
- 1/3 Grad/Professional
- 11 Schools & Colleges
- 68 Doctoral & Masters Degrees
- 22 Grad Certificate Programs
- Schools of Law and Dentistry
Advocacy at Marquette: Campus Validators

- MU traditionally focused on UG education
- Embedded staff model
  - University Relations
  - Career Services
  - Advancement
  - Student Affairs
  - Office of Inclusive Excellence
- Vice Provost Role (contacts with UG side and Finance)
- Partnership with Graduate Student Organization
- Directors of Graduate Studies

Advocacy beyond MU

- 3MT as a vehicle for advocacy
  - Judges panel
    - Higher ed reporter
    - Local political figure
    - Board of Trustees member
    - Provost or President
- Community-based Program partners (i.e. Trinity Fellows)
- Advisory Panels (Graduate school and program specific)
- Visits to chamber of commerce and business leaders
- Visits to governmental officials