Based on the responses of 27 students newly returned from a leave of absence, these responses are just a small sample of the students that returned to Brown in Fall 2020, and the many more students that will return in the Spring semester. This data provides a window into the varied experiences of students on leave from Brown.

### Motivations to Take Leave

- **85.1%** Mental Health
- **48.1%** Break from Academics
- **25.9%** Break from life at Brown
- **14.8%** Personal Project(s)
- **14.8%** Pursuit of Adventure
- **11.1%** Job Opportunities
- **11.1%** Physical Health
- **11.1%** Family Related
- **3.7%** Medical Leave (in lieu of Academic Suspension)
- **3.7%** Other (home study, study abroad cancellations etc.)

### Types of Leave

- **Medical** 57.2%
- **Personal** 35.7%
- **Academic** 7.1%

### # of Semesters on Leave

- Most students returned for **1 semester** (50%)
- 40% returned for 2 semesters
- 30% returned for 3 or more semesters

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What did students do on leave?

- Paid Employment
- Internship
- Travel/Leisure
- Volunteer Work
- Research
- Rest
- Academics
- Receive care
- Other

Financial Support for Leave

- Western USA: 44.4%
- Eastern USA (not PVD): 33.3%
- Providence: 3.7%
- Southern USA: 14.8%
- Europe: 7.4%
- Asia: 18.5%
- USA (Other): 11.1%
- North America (not US): 3.7%
- South America: 3.7%
- Africa: 7.4%
Testimonials: Transition Back to Brown

"Despite the current national and international situation, I'm feeling much better than I did around this time last year, for which I'm very grateful :)

"My transition back has been pretty smooth and I think since hybrid learning is new to everyone, I don't feel like such an outsider."

"It's been excellent thanks to my revived faith".

Areas To Improve:

Building Community Amongst Leave-takers

Coordination Between Departments & Offices

Questions?
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