NSSE national survey of student engagement

NSSE 2021 Snapshot

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A Summary of Student Engagement Results

Student engagement represents two critical features of collegiate quality. The first is the amount of time and effort students put into their studies and other educationally purposeful activities. The second is how institutional resources, courses, and other learning opportunities facilitate student participation in activities that matter to student learning. NSSE surveys undergraduate students in their first and final years to assess their levels of engagement and related information about their experience at your institution.

Comparison Group

The comparison group featured in this report is

NSSE 2020 & 2021

See your *Selected Comparison Groups* report for details.

This *Snapshot* is a concise collection of key findings from your institution's NSSE 2021 administration. We hope this information stimulates discussions about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these and other results appear in the reports referenced throughout.

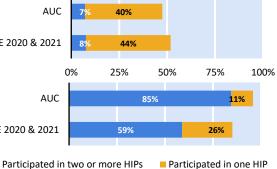
Engagement Indicators Sets of items are grouped into ten	Your students compared with NSSE 2020 & 2021			
Engagement Indicators, organized	Theme	Engagement Indicator	First-year	Senior
under four broad themes. At right are summary results for your	Academic Challenge	Higher-Order Learning		
Institution. For details, see your Engagement Indicators report.		Reflective & Integrative Learning	∇	
Engugement matculors report.		Learning Strategies		
Key:		Quantitative Reasoning		
Your students' average was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.	Learning with Peers	Collaborative Learning	∇	
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No significant difference.	Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction	▼	∇
Your students' average was significantly lower ($p < .05$) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.		Effective Teaching Practices	Δ	∇
Your students' average was significantly lower ($p < .05$) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.	Campus Environment	Quality of Interactions	▼	▼
		Supportive Environment	▼	

High-Impact Practices

Due to their positive associations with student learning and retention, special undergraduate opportunities are designated "highimpact." For more details and statistical comparisons, see your *High-Impact Practices* report.

First-year

Service-Learning, LearningAUC7%40%Community, and Research
w/FacultyNSSE 2020 & 20218%44%Senior0%25%Service-Learning, Learning
Community, Research w/Faculty,
Internship, Study Abroad,
and Culminating SeniorAUC8NSSE 2020 & 202159%ExperienceParticipated in two or more HIPs





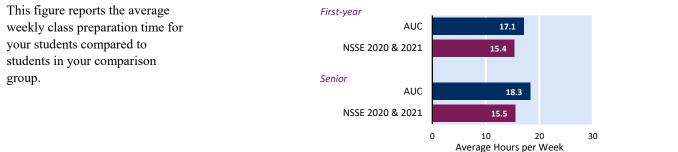
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Academic Challenge: Additional Results

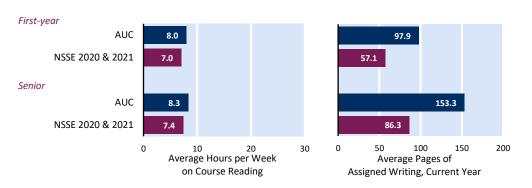
The Academic Challenge theme contains four Engagement Indicators as well as several important individual items. The results presented here provide an overview of these individual items. For more information about the Academic Challenge theme, see your *Engagement Indicators* report. To further explore individual item results, see your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons*, the *Major Field Report*, the *Online Institutional Report*, or the Report Builder.

Time Spent Preparing for Class



Reading and Writing

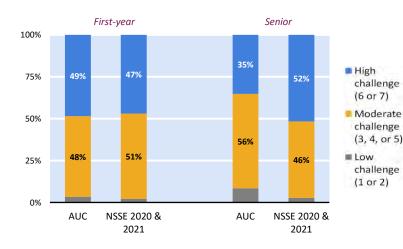
These figures summarize the number of hours your students spent reading for their courses and the average number of pages of assigned writing compared to students in your comparison group. Each is an estimate calculated from two or more separate survey questions.



Preparing for Class

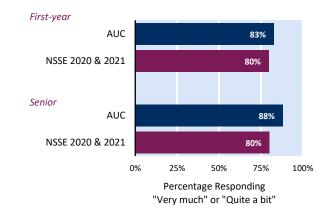
Challenging Students to Do Their Best Work

To what extent did students' courses challenge them to do their best work? Response options ranged from 1 = "Not at all" to 7 = "Very much."



Academic Emphasis

How much did students say their institution emphasizes spending significant time studying and on academic work? Response options included "Very much," "Quite a bit," "Some," and "Very little."





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Item Comparisons

By examining individual NSSE questions, you can better understand what contributes to your institution's performance on the Engagement Indicators. This section displays the five questions^a on which your students scored the highest and the five questions on which they scored the lowest, relative to students in your comparison group. Parenthetical notes indicate whether an item belongs to a specific Engagement Indicator or is a High-Impact Practice. While these questions represent the largest differences (in percentage points), they may not be the most important to your institutional mission or current program or policy goals. For additional results, see your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons* report.

First-year

Highest Performing Relative to NSSE 2020 & 2021

Assigned more than 50 pages of writing^g Instructors provided feedback on a draft or work in progress^c (ET) Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information^c (HO) Spent more than 15 hours per week preparing for class

Spent more than 10 hours per week on assigned reading^f

Lowest Performing Relative to NSSE 2020 & 2021

Discussions with... People with political views other than your own^b (DD) Quality of interactions with academic advisors^d (QI) Institution emphasis on attending campus activities and events (...)^c (SE) Discussions with... People of a race or ethnicity other than your own^b (DD) Institution emphasis on using learning support services (...)^c (SE)

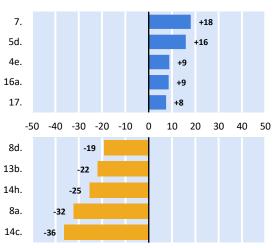
Senior

Highest Performing Relative to NSSE 2020 & 2021

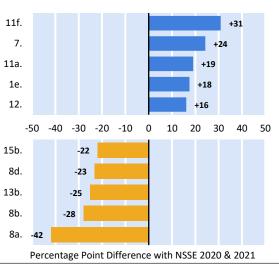
Completed a culminating senior experience () (HIP)					
Assigned more than 50 pages of writing ^g					
Participated in an internship, co-op, field exp., student teach., clinical placemt. (HIP)					
Worked with other students on course projects or assignments ^b (CL)					
About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)? ^e (HIP)					

Lowest Performing Relative to NSSE 2020 & 2021

I feel valued by this institution. ^h (SB)					
Discussions with People with political views other than your own^b (DD)					
Quality of interactions with academic advisors ^d (QI)					
Discussions with People from an economic background other than your own^b (DD)					
Discussions with People of a race or ethnicity other than your own^b (DD)					



Percentage Point Difference with NSSE 2020 & 2021



a. The items on this page come from the Engagement Indicators (EIs), High-Impact Practices (HIPs), Sense of Belonging (SB), the academic challenge questions on page 2, and four additional questions about effective teaching (new in 2021). Key to abbreviations for EI items: HO = Higher-Order Learning, RI = Reflective & Integrative Learning, LS = Learning Strategies, QR = Quantitative Reasoning, CL = Collaborative Learning, DD = Discussions with Diverse Others, SF = Student-Faculty Interaction, ET = Effective Teaching Practices, QI = Quality of Interactions, SE = Supportive Environment.

b. Combination of students responding "very often" or "often."

d. Rated at least 6 on a 7-point scale.

e. Percentage reporting at least "some."

f. Estimate based on the reported amount of course preparation time spent on assigned reading.

g. Estimate based on number of assigned writing tasks of various lengths.

h. Combination of students responding "strongly agree" or "agree."

c. Combination of students responding "very much" or "quite a bit."



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How Students Assess Their Experience

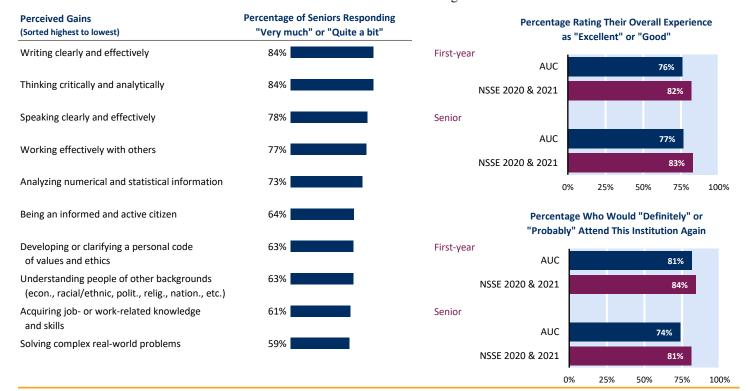
Students' perceptions of their cognitive and affective development, as well as their overall satisfaction with the institution, provide useful evidence of their educational experiences. For more details, see your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons* report.

Perceived Gains Among Seniors

Students reported how much their experience at your institution contributed to their knowledge, skills, and personal development in ten areas.

Satisfaction with AUC

Students rated their overall experience at the institution, and whether or not they would choose it again.



Administration Details

Response Summary

	Count	Resp. rate	Female	Full-time
First-year	412	30%	64%	92%
Senior	130	12%	57%	85%

See your Administration Summary and Respondent Profile reports for

Additional Questions

Your institution administered the following additional question set(s): **Coping with Covid Experiences with Online Learning** See your *Topical Module* report(s) for results.

What is NSSE?

more information.

NSSE annually collects information at hundreds of four-year colleges and universities about student participation in activities and programs that promote their learning and personal development. The results provide an estimate of how undergraduates spend their time and what they gain from attending their college or university. Institutions use their data to identify aspects of the undergraduate experience that can be improved through changes in policy and practice.

NSSE has been in operation since 2000 and has been used at more than 1,600 colleges and universities in the US and Canada. More than 90% of participating institutions administer the survey on a periodic basis.

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