## Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Benchmark Comparisons
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## Interpreting the Benchmark Comparisons Report

To focus discussions about the importance of student engagement and to guide institutional improvement efforts, NSSE created five Benchmarks of Effective Educational Practice: Level of Academic Challenge, Active and Collaborative Learning, StudentFaculty Interaction, Enriching Educational Experiences, and Supportive Campus Environment. This Benchmark Comparisons Report compares the performance of your institution with your selected peers or consortium. In addition, page 9 provides two other comparisons between your school and (a) above-average institutions with benchmarks in the top $50 \%$ of all NSSE institutions and (b) high-performing institutions with benchmarks in the top $10 \%$ of all NSSE institutions. These displays allow you to determine if the engagement of your typical student differs in a statistically significant, meaningful way from the average student in these comparison groups. They also provide more insight into how the student experience varies on your campus and in comparison groups. More detailed information about how benchmarks are created can be found on the NSSE Web site at www.nsse.iub.edu/2009_Institutional_Report/.

Class and Sample
Means are reported for first-year students and seniors. Institutionreported class levels are used. All randomly selected students are included in these analyses. Students in targeted or locally administered oversamples are not included.

## Statistical Significance

Benchmarks with mean differences that are larger than would be expected by chance alone are noted with one, two, or three asterisks, denoting one of three significance levels ( $\mathrm{p}<.05, \mathrm{p}<.01$, and $\mathrm{p}<.001$ ). The smaller the significance level, the smaller the likelihood that the difference is due to chance. Please note that statistical significance does not guarantee that the result is substantive or important. Large sample sizes (as with the NSSE project) tend to produce more statistically significant results even though the magnitude of mean differences may be inconsequential. It is recommended to consult effect sizes to judge the practical meaning of the results.


The mean is the weighted arithmetic average of the student level benchmark scores.

## Benchmark Description

 \& Survey Items A description of the benchmark and the individual items used in its creation is provided.
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Level of Academic Challenge (LAC) Items
Challenging intellectual and creative work is central to student learning and collegiate quality. Collegss and universities promote high levels
of student achievement by emp hasizing the importance of academic effort and setting high expectations for student performance
P Preparing for class (studying, read ing, writing, doing homework or lab work, etc. re lated to academic program)

- Number of assigned textbooks, books, or book-length packs of course readings
- Number of written papers or reports of 20 pages or more; number of written papers or reports of between 5 and 19 pages; and
- number of writen paperss or reportst of fever than 5 pareses
- Coursework emphasizes. Analysis of the basic elements of an idea, experience or theory
- Coursework emphasizes: Synthesis and organizing of ideas, information, or experiences into new, more complex interpretations
and relationships
- Courlawerk emphasizes: Making judgments about the value of information, arguments, or methods
- Coursework emphasizes: Applying theories or con cepts to practical problems or in new situations
Working harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations - Working harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations
Campus environment emphasizes: Spending sign ific ant amount of time studying and on acade

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## Effect Size

Effect size indicates the practical significance of the mean difference. It is calculated by dividing the mean difference by the pooled standard deviation. In practice, an effect size of .2 is often considered small, .5 moderate, and .8 large. A positive sign indicates that your institution's mean was greater, thus showing an affirmative result for the institution. A negative sign indicates the institution lags behind the comparison group, suggesting that the student behavior or institutional practice represented by the item may warrant attention.

Box and Whiskers Charts A visual display of first-year and senior benchmark score dispersion for your institution and your selected comparison or consortium groups.

## Box and Whiskers Key

A box and whiskers chart is a concise way to summarize the variation of student benchmark scores. This display compares the distribution of scores at your institution, in percentile terms, with that of your comparison groups. The ends of the whiskers show the 5th and 95th percentile scores, while the box is bounded by the 25 th and 75 th percentiles. The bar inside the box indicates the median score, and the dot shows the mean score.


## Level of Academic Challenge (LAC)

## Mean Comparisons

Indiana University of Pennsylvania compared with:

| Class | IUP | PASSHE |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | Selected Peers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect Size | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $s i g^{\text {b }}$ | ${ }_{\text {Effeet }}^{\text {Size }}$ |
| First-Year | 51.4 | 49.8 | ** | . 12 | 53.4 | *** | -. 15 | 52.2 |  | -. 06 |
| Senior | 56.8 | 55.4 | * | . 10 | 56.4 |  | . 03 | 55.7 |  | . 07 |

${ }^{a}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05$ ** $\mathrm{p}<.01$ ***p<. 001 (2-tailed).
${ }^{\mathrm{c}}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.
Distributions of Student Benchmark Scores


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25 100 Senior
IUP PASSHE Carnegie Class Selected Peers

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Note: Each box and whiskers chart plots the 5th (bottom of lower bar), 25 th (bottom of box), 50 th (middle line), 75 th (top of box), and 95 th (top of upper bar) percentile scores. The dot shows the benchmark mean. See page 2 for an illustration. See pages 10 and 11 for percentile values.

## Level of Academic Challenge (LAC) Items

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- Coursework emphasizes: Synthesis and organizing of ideas, information, or experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships
- Coursework emphasizes: Making of judgments about the value of information, arguments, or methods
- Coursework emphasizes: Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations
- Working harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations
- Campus environment emphasizes: Spending significant amount of time studying and on academic work.

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## NSSE 2009 Benchmark Comparisons <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania

## Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL)

## Mean Comparisons <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania compared with:

| Class | IUP | PASSHE |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | Selected Peers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | ${ }_{\text {Effect }}{ }_{\text {Size }}{ }^{\text {o }}$ |
| First-Year | 41.1 | 40.6 |  | . 03 | 43.0 | *** | -. 11 | 41.5 |  | -. 02 |
| Senior | 52.1 | 50.9 |  | . 07 | 51.2 |  | . 05 | 49.6 | *** | . 15 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05 * * \mathrm{p}<.01 * * * \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
${ }^{\mathrm{c}}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.
Distributions of Student Benchmark Scores

Senior

0 IUP PASSHE Carnegie Class Selected Peers
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| IUP | PASSHE | Carnegie Class | Selected Peers |
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## Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL) Items

Students learn more when they are intensely involved in their education and asked to think about what they are learning in different settings. Collaborating with others in solving problems or mastering difficult material prepares students for the messy, unscripted problems they will encounter daily during and after college.

- Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions
- Made a class presentation
- Worked with other students on projects during class
- Worked with classmates outside of class to prepare class assignments
- Tutored or taught other students (paid or voluntary)
- Participated in a community-based project (e.g., service learning) as part of a regular course
- Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.)

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## Student-Faculty Interaction (SFI)

## Mean Comparisons <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania compared with:

\begin{tabular}{|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|c|}
\hline \multirow[b]{2}{*}{Class} \& IUP \& \multicolumn{3}{|c|}{PASSHE} \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{Carnegie Class} \& \multicolumn{3}{|l|}{Selected Peers} <br>
\hline \& Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ \& Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ \& Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ \& $$
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ct \& Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ \& $s i g^{\text {b }}$ \& Effect ${ }_{\text {Size }}{ }^{\text {c }}$ <br>
\hline First-Year \& 34.0 \& 32.9 \& \& . 06 \& 34.8 \& \& -. 04 \& 34.3 \& \& -. 01 <br>
\hline Senior \& 44.4 \& 45.0 \& \& -. 03 \& 41.0 \& *** \& . 16 \& 40.2 \& *** \& . 20 <br>
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\end{tabular}

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05$ ** $\mathrm{p}<.01$ ***p<. 001 (2-tailed).
${ }^{\mathrm{c}}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.
Distributions of Student Benchmark Scores


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## Student-Faculty Interaction (SFI) Items

Students learn firsthand how experts think about and solve practical problems by interacting with faculty members inside and outside the classroom. As a result, their teachers become role models, mentors, and guides for continuous, life-long learning.

- Discussed grades or assignments with an instructor
- Talked about career plans with a faculty member or advisor
- Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with faculty members outside of class
- Worked with faculty members on activities other than coursework (committees, orientation, student-life activities, etc.)
- Received prompt written or oral feedback from faculty on your academic performance
- Worked on a research project with a faculty member outside of course or program requirements

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## Enriching Educational Experiences (EEE)

## Mean Comparisons <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania compared with:

| Class | IUP | PASSHE |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | Selected Peers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect Size | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $s i{ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect Size |
| First-Year | 24.9 | 24.3 |  | . 05 | 28.0 | *** | -. 23 | 27.1 | *** | -. 16 |
| Senior | 39.7 | 39.4 |  | . 02 | 40.1 |  | -. 02 | 38.7 |  | . 06 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05$ ** $\mathrm{p}<.01$ ***p<. 001 (2-tailed).
${ }^{\mathrm{c}}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.
Distributions of Student Benchmark Scores


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## Enriching Educational Experiences (EEE) Items

Complementary learning opportunities enhance academic programs. Diversity experiences teach students valuable things about themselves and others. Technology facilitates collaboration between peers and instructors. Internships, community service, and senior capstone courses provide opportunities to integrate and apply knowledge.

- Participating in co-curricular activities (organizations, campus publications, student government, social fraternity or sorority, etc.)
- Practicum, internship, field experience, co-op experience, or clinical assignment
- Community service or volunteer work
- Foreign language coursework / Study abroad
- Independent study or self-designed major
- Culminating senior experience (capstone course, senior project or thesis, comprehensive exam, etc.)
- Serious conversations with students of different religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values
- Serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity than your own
- Using electronic medium (e.g., listserv, chat group, Internet, instant messaging, etc.) to discuss or complete an assignment
- Campus environment encouraging contact among students from different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds
- Participate in a learning community or some other formal program where groups of students take two or more classes together

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## Supportive Campus Environment (SCE)

## Mean Comparisons <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania compared with:

| Class | IUP | PASSHE |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | Selected Peers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $s i{ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $s i g{ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect Size c |
| First-Year | 58.3 | 61.3 | *** | -. 16 | 60.8 | *** | -. 13 | 59.3 |  | -. 05 |
| Senior | 57.1 | 60.0 | ** | -. 16 | 56.9 |  | . 01 | 55.5 | * | . 08 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05 * * \mathrm{p}<.01 * * * \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
${ }^{\mathrm{c}}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

## Distributions of Student Benchmark Scores




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IUP PASSHE Carnegie Class Selected Peers

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## Supportive Campus Environment (SCE) Items

Students perform better and are more satisfied at colleges that are committed to their success and cultivate positive working and social relations among different groups on campus.

- Campus environment provides the support you need to help you succeed academically
- Campus environment helps you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)
- Campus environment provides the support you need to thrive socially
- Quality of relationships with other students
- Quality of relationships with faculty members
- Quality of relationships with administrative personnel and offices


## Interpreting the Top $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ and Top 50\% Comparisons

This section of the NSSE Benchmark Comparisons report allows you to estimate the performance of your average student in relation to the average student attending two different institutional peer groups identified by NSSE for their high levels of student engagement: (a) those with benchmark scores placing them in the top $50 \%$ of all NSSE schools in 2009 and (b) those with benchmark scores in the top $10 \%$ for 2009. ${ }^{\text {a }}$ These comparisons allow an institution to determine if the engagement of their students differs in significant, meaningful ways from students in these high performing peer groups.

## Example

|  |  | NSSEville <br> State <br> Mean | NSSEville State compared with |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | NSSE 2009 Top 50\% |  |  | NSSE 2009 <br> Top 10\% |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | Mean | Sig | Effect size | Mean | Sig | Effect size |
|  | LAC | 57.1 | 55.8 | * | . 10 | 60.5 | *** | -0.28 |
| む | ACL | 50.3 | 45.8 | *** | . 28 | 50.7 |  | -0.02 |
| , | SFI | 37.3 | 37.2 |  | . 01 | 42.0 | *** | -0.24 |
| = | EEE | 21.8 | 30.0 | *** | -. 63 | 34.4 | ** | -0.98 |
|  | SCE | 60.9 | 64.7 | *** | -. 21 | 69.7 | *** | -0.49 |

## NSSEville State CAN conclude...

- The average score for NSSEville State first-year students is slightly above (i.e., small positive effect size) that of the average student attending NSSE 2009 schools that scored in the top $50 \%$ on Level of Academic Challenge (LAC).
- The average NSSEville State first-year student is as engaged (i.e., not significantly different) as the average student attending NSSE 2009 schools that scored in the top $10 \%$ on Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL).
- It is likely that NSSEville State is in the top $50 \%$ of all NSSE 2009 schools for first-year students on Level of Academic Challenge (LAC) and Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL). ${ }^{\text {a }}$


## NSSEville State CANNOT conclude ${ }^{\text {a }}$...

- NSSEville State is in the top half of all schools on the Student-Faculty Interaction (SFI) benchmark for first-year students. ${ }^{\text {a }}$
- NSSEville State is a "top ten percent" institution on Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL) for first-year students. ${ }^{\text {a }}$

For additional information on how to understand and use the Top $50 \%$ and Top $10 \%$ section of the benchmark report, see www.nsse.iub.edu/2009_Institutional_Report/.
${ }^{\text {a }}$ Precision-weighted means (produced by Hierarchical Linear Modeling) were used to determine the top 50\% and top $10 \%$ institutions for each benchmark, separately for first-year and senior students. Using this method, benchmark scores of institutions with relatively large standard errors are adjusted substantially toward the grand mean of all students, while those with smaller standard errors receive smaller corrections. Thus, schools with less stable data, though they may have high scores, may not be identified among the top scorers. NSSE does not publish the names of the top $50 \%$ and top $10 \%$ institutions because of our commitment not to release individual school results and our policy against the ranking of institutions.

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Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL)


Student-Faculty Interaction (SFI)


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Enriching Educational Experiences
(EEE)


Supportive Campus Environment (SCE)


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${ }^{\mathrm{c}}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

|  | Mean Statistics |  |  | Distribution Statistics |  |  |  |  | Reference Group Comparison Statistics |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | Percentiles ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |  |  | Deg. of Freedom ${ }^{\text {e }}$ | Mean <br> Diff. | Sig. ${ }^{\text { }}$ | Effect size ${ }^{\text {g }}$ |
|  | Mean | SD ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | SEM ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 5th | 25th | 50th | 75th | 95th |  |  |  |  |
| LEVEL OF ACADEMIC CHALLENGE (LAC) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IUP ( $\mathrm{N}=1066$ ) | 51.4 | 13.4 | . 4 | 29 | 43 | 51 | 61 | 73 |  |  |  |  |
| PASSHE | 49.8 | 13.0 | . 5 | 29 | 41 | 50 | 58 | 72 | 1,769 | 1.6 | . 009 | . 12 |
| Carnegie Class | 53.4 | 13.7 | . 1 | 30 | 44 | 53 | 63 | 76 | 13,515 | -2.0 | . 000 | -. 15 |
| Selected Peers | 52.2 | 13.5 | . 1 | 30 | 43 | 52 | 61 | 74 | 12,690 | -. 8 | . 070 | -. 06 |
| Top 50\% | 56.8 | 13.0 | . 0 | 35 | 48 | 57 | 66 | 78 | 74,149 | -5.4 | . 000 | -. 41 |
| Top 10\% | 58.9 | 12.9 | . 1 | 37 | 50 | 59 | 68 | 79 | 1,173 | -7.4 | . 000 | -. 57 |
| ACTIVE AND COLLABORATIVE LEARNING (ACL) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IUP $(\mathrm{N}=1138)$ | 41.1 | 16.1 | . 5 | 19 | 29 | 38 | 50 | 71 |  |  |  |  |
| PASSHE | 40.6 | 16.7 | . 5 | 19 | 29 | 38 | 50 | 71 | 2,064 | . 6 | . 431 | . 03 |
| Carnegie Class | 43.0 | 17.1 | . 1 | 19 | 33 | 43 | 52 | 75 | 1,361 | -1.9 | . 000 | -. 11 |
| Selected Peers | 41.5 | 16.7 | . 1 | 17 | 29 | 38 | 52 | 71 | 13,729 | -. 3 | . 548 | -. 02 |
| Top 50\% | 47.8 | 16.6 | . 1 | 24 | 38 | 48 | 57 | 76 | 63,151 | -6.6 | . 000 | -. 40 |
| Top 10\% | 51.7 | 17.5 | . 2 | 24 | 38 | 52 | 62 | 81 | 1,381 | -10.6 | . 000 | -. 61 |
| STUDENT-FACULTY INTERACTION (SFI) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IUP ( $\mathrm{N}=1088$ ) | 34.0 | 18.5 | . 6 | 11 | 22 | 33 | 44 | 72 |  |  |  |  |
| PASSHE | 32.9 | 17.8 | . 6 | 11 | 22 | 28 | 44 | 67 | 1,907 | 1.1 | . 178 | . 06 |
| Carnegie Class | 34.8 | 18.9 | . 2 | 11 | 22 | 33 | 44 | 72 | 13,686 | -. 7 | . 210 | -. 04 |
| Selected Peers | 34.3 | 18.9 | . 2 | 11 | 22 | 33 | 44 | 72 | 12,800 | -. 3 | . 661 | -. 01 |
| Top 50\% | 39.1 | 19.2 | . 1 | 11 | 27 | 39 | 50 | 78 | 58,005 | -5.0 | . 000 | -. 26 |
| Top 10\% | 43.7 | 20.6 | . 2 | 17 | 28 | 39 | 56 | 83 | 1,421 | -9.6 | . 000 | -. 47 |

## ENRICHING EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES (EEE)

| IUP (N = 1046) | 24.9 | 12.5 | .4 | 8 | 16 | 23 | 32 | 47 |  |  |  |
| ---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| PASSHE | 24.3 | 12.3 | .4 | 8 | 15 | 23 | 31 | 46 | 1,842 | .7 | .251 |
| Carnegie Class | 28.0 | 13.6 | .1 | 8 | 18 | 26 | 36 | 51 | 1,271 | -3.1 | .000 |
| Selected Peers | 27.1 | 13.8 | .1 | 8 | 17 | 26 | 36 | 51 | -.23 |  |  |
| Top 50\% | 31.0 | 13.4 | .0 | 11 | 22 | 30 | 39 | 54 | 1,294 | -2.1 | .000 |
| Top 10\% | 32.8 | 13.7 | .1 | 12 | 23 | 32 | 41 | 56 | 1,076 | -6.1 | .000 |

## SUPPORTIVE CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT (SCE)

| IUP (N = 1023) | 58.3 | 18.4 | .6 | 28 | 47 | 58 | 72 | 89 |  |  |  |  |
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| PASSHE | 61.3 | 18.7 | .7 | 31 | 50 | 61 | 75 | 94 | 1,802 | -3.0 | .001 | -.16 |
| Carnegie Class | 60.8 | 18.8 | .2 | 28 | 47 | 61 | 75 | 92 | 12,743 | -2.5 | .000 | -.13 |
| Selected Peers | 59.3 | 18.8 | .2 | 28 | 47 | 58 | 72 | 92 | 12,049 | -.9 | .132 | -.05 |
| Top 50\% | 66.2 | 18.1 | .1 | 36 | 56 | 67 | 78 | 94 | 59,036 | -7.9 | .000 | -.44 |
| Top 10\% | 69.1 | 18.3 | .2 | 36 | 58 | 69 | 83 | 97 | 14,149 | -10.8 | .000 | -.59 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ All statistics are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Standard deviation is a measure of the average amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.
${ }^{\text {c }}$ The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus/minus 1.96 times the standard error of the mean.
${ }^{d}$ A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level benchmark scores at or below which a given percentage of benchmark scores fall.
${ }^{e}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary for the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variance assumption.
${ }^{f}$ Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.
${ }^{\mathrm{g}}$ Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean, and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation.

## Seniors

| eniors |  | Stat |  |  | istrib | tion S | atistic |  |  | Referen <br> mparis | Group <br> Statis |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | centile |  |  | Deg. of | Mean |  | Effect |
|  | Mean | SD ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | SEM ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 5th | 25th | 50th | 75th | 95th | Freedom ${ }^{\text {e }}$ | Diff. | Sig. ${ }^{\text {t }}$ | size ${ }^{\text {g }}$ |
| LEVEL OF ACADEMIC CHALLENGE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IUP $\quad(\mathrm{N}=638)$ | 56.8 | 14.4 | . 6 | 32 | 46 | 58 | 67 | 78 |  |  |  |  |
| PASSHE | 55.4 | 14.1 | . 4 | 31 | 46 | 56 | 65 | 78 | 1,886 | 1.4 | . 041 | . 10 |
| Carnegie Class | 56.4 | 14.8 | . 1 | 32 | 47 | 57 | 67 | 80 | 20,101 | . 5 | . 448 | . 03 |
| Selected Peers | 55.7 | 14.4 | . 1 | 31 | 46 | 56 | 66 | 78 | 13,494 | 1.1 | . 068 | . 07 |
| Top 50\% | 60.1 | 13.7 | . 0 | 37 | 51 | 61 | 70 | 82 | 646 | -3.3 | . 000 | -. 24 |
| Top 10\% | 62.8 | 13.3 | . 1 | 40 | 54 | 63 | 72 | 84 | 679 | -6.0 | . 000 | -. 45 |
| ACTIVE AND COLLABORATIVE LEA | G (A |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IUP ( $\mathrm{N}=666$ ) | 52.1 | 16.9 | . 7 | 29 | 38 | 52 | 62 | 81 |  |  |  |  |
| PASSHE | 50.9 | 17.3 | . 5 | 24 | 38 | 50 | 62 | 81 | 1,985 | 1.2 | . 128 | . 07 |
| Carnegie Class | 51.2 | 17.4 | . 1 | 24 | 38 | 52 | 62 | 81 | 21,211 | . 9 | . 179 | . 05 |
| Selected Peers | 49.6 | 17.3 | . 1 | 24 | 38 | 48 | 62 | 81 | 14,181 | 2.5 | . 000 | . 15 |
| Top 50\% | 55.7 | 16.9 | . 1 | 29 | 43 | 57 | 67 | 86 | 73,982 | -3.6 | . 000 | -. 21 |
| Top 10\% | 59.1 | 17.2 | . 1 | 33 | 48 | 57 | 71 | 89 | 16,202 | -6.9 | . 000 | -. 40 |
| STUDENT-FACULTY INTERACTION ( |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| IUP $\quad(\mathrm{N}=644)$ | 44.4 | 20.1 | . 8 | 17 | 28 | 39 | 56 | 83 |  |  |  |  |
| PASSHE | 45.0 | 21.6 | . 6 | 17 | 28 | 44 | 56 | 83 | 1,379 | -. 6 | . 582 | -. 03 |
| Carnegie Class | 41.0 | 20.7 | . 1 | 11 | 28 | 39 | 56 | 83 | 20,266 | 3.4 | . 000 | . 16 |
| Selected Peers | 40.2 | 20.8 | . 2 | 11 | 22 | 39 | 53 | 78 | 13,621 | 4.2 | . 000 | . 20 |
| Top 50\% | 48.8 | 21.3 | . 1 | 17 | 33 | 44 | 61 | 89 | 658 | -4.4 | . 000 | -. 21 |
| Top 10\% | 54.2 | 22.0 | . 2 | 22 | 39 | 56 | 72 | 94 | 750 | -9.7 | . 000 | -. 45 |

## ENRICHING EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES (EEE)

| IUP (N = 629) | 39.7 | 17.5 | .7 | 12 | 28 | 38 | 51 | 69 |  |  |  |
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| PASSHE | 39.4 | 16.9 | .5 | 14 | 26 | 39 | 51 | 69 | 1,847 | .4 | .664 |
| Carnegie Class | 40.1 | 18.2 | .1 | 12 | 26 | 39 | 53 | 72 | 674 | -.4 | .585 |
| Selected Peers | 38.7 | 18.0 | .2 | 11 | 25 | 37 | 51 | 70 | -.02 |  |  |
| Top 50\% | 48.1 | 17.8 | .1 | 18 | 36 | 48 | 61 | 77 | 80,250 | 1.1 | .142 |
| Top 10\% | 54.2 | 17.1 | .1 | 25 | 43 | 55 | 66 | 81 | 17,221 | -14.4 | .000 |

## SUPPORTIVE CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT (SCE)

| IUP | $(\mathrm{N}=622)$ | 57.1 | 18.1 | .7 | 25 | 44 | 58 | 69 | 89 |  |  |
| ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| PASSHE | 60.0 | 18.9 | .5 | 28 | 47 | 58 | 72 | 94 | 1,817 | -2.9 | .002 |
| Carnegie Class | 56.9 | 19.6 | .1 | 22 | 44 | 58 | 69 | 89 | 670 | .3 | .722 |
| Selected Peers | 55.5 | 19.4 | .2 | 22 | 42 | 56 | 69 | 89 | 13,009 | 1.6 | .042 |
| Top 50\% | 64.1 | 18.8 | .1 | 33 | 53 | 64 | 78 | 94 | 68,045 | -7.0 | .000 |
| Top 10\% | 67.5 | 18.5 | .1 | 36 | 56 | 69 | 81 | 97 | -.37 |  |  |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ All statistics are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Standard deviation is a measure of the average amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.
${ }^{\text {c }}$ The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus/minus 1.96 times the standard error of the mean.
${ }^{d}$ A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level benchmark scores at or below which a given percentage of benchmark scores fall.
${ }^{e}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary for the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variance assumption.
${ }^{f}$ Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.
${ }^{\mathrm{g}}$ Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean, and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation.

## National Survey of Student Engagement

## Indiana University of Pennsylvania

Frequency Distributions
August 2009

## National Survey of Student Engagement

## Interpreting the Frequency Distributions Report

## Sample

The Frequency Distributions report is based on information from all randomly selected students for both your institution and your comparison institutions. Targeted oversamples and other non-randomly selected students are not included in this report.

## Variables

The items from the NSSE survey appear in the left column in the same order and wording as they appear on the instrument.

## Variable Names

The name of each variable appears in the first column for easy reference to your raw data file and the Mean Comparisons report.

## Benchmark

Items that comprise the five "Benchmatks of Effecqive Educational Practice" are indicated by the following:
LAC=Level of Academic Challenge
ACL=Active and Collaborative Learning SFI=Student-Faculty Interaction EEE=Enriching Educational Experiences
SCE=Supportive Campus
Environment

Response Options
Response options listed just as they appear on the instrument.

## Weighting

Weights adjusting for gender, enrollment status, and institutional size are applied to the percentage column (\%) of this report. Weights are computed separately for first-year students and seniors. Weighted results present a more accurate representation of your institution and comparison group students. Only the column percents are weighted. The counts are the actual number of respondents. Because the counts are unweighted and the column percentages are weighted, you will not be able to calculate the column percent directly from the count numbers. For more information about weighting, please visit the NSSE Web site at
www.nsse.iub.edu/2009_Institutional_Report/NSSE_2009_Weighting.cfm.

## Class

Frequency distributions are reported separately for first-year students and seniors. Institution-reported class ranks are used.

| Environment |  |  | Often <br> Very often |  | $\begin{array}{r} 116 \\ 26 \end{array}$ | $\begin{gathered} 22 \% \\ 5 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 4,398 \\ & 1,037 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 20 \% \\ 5 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8,225 \\ & 2,274 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 21 \% \\ 6 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 46,873 \\ & 14,562 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 25 \% \\ 8 \% \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 222 \\ & 172 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 43 \% \\ & 35 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8,362 \\ & 4,691 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 34 \% \\ & 19 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 11,854 \\ 7,007 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 33 \% \\ & 19 \% \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 72,438 \\ & 49,038 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 36 \% \\ & 24 \% \\ & \hline 24 \end{aligned}$ | unweighted. |
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|  |  |  |  | Total | 509 | 100\% | 20,773 | 100\% | 35,779 | 100\% | 180,939 | 100\% | 522 | 100\% | 23,001 | 100\% | 32,801 | 100\% | 191,691 | 100\% |  |
|  | Prepared two or more | REWROPAP | Never |  | 49 | 10\% | 3,263 | 18\% | 5,137 | 16\% | 23,636 | 13\% | 82 | 16\% | 4,379 | 20\% | 6,096 | 20\% | 31,065 | $16^{\circ}$ |  |
|  | drafts of |  | Sometimes |  | 152 | 29\% | 6,885 | 33\% | 11,440 | 32\% | 58,221 | 31\% | 240 | 47\% | 9,607 | 42\% | 13,342 | 41\% | 74,803 | 38\% |  |
|  | a paper or assignment |  | Often |  | 187 | 39\% | 6,567 | 30\% | 11,717 | $32 \%$ | 58,917 | 32\% | 120 | 22\% | 5,583 | 24\% | 8,216 | 24\% | 50,342 | 27\% | ) |
|  | before turning it in | $\rightarrow$ | Very often |  | 121 | 22\% | 4,072 | 19\% | 7,540 | 20\% | 40,343 | 23\% | 81 | 15\% | 3,423 | 14\% | 5,128 | 15\% | 35,502 | 18\% | ) |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 509 | 100\% | 20,787 | 100\% | 35,834 | 100\% | 181,117 | 100\% | 5231 | 100\% | 22,992 | 100\% | 32,782 | 100\% | 191,712 | 100\% | This column represents the |
| Response Option | 1d. project that required | INTEGRAT | Never Sometim |  | 63 | 1\% | 5,196 | 4\% 26 | 894 8,045 | $3 \%$ $24 \%$ | 3,635 36,672 | ${ }^{2 \%}$ | 48 | ${ }^{0 \%}$ | 263 3,381 | 1\% | 339 4,706 | 1\% | $1,927$ | $1 \%$ $13 \%$ |  |
|  | integrating ideas or |  | Often |  | 218 | 44\% | 9,614 | 45\% | 16,368 | 44\% | 82,244 | 45\% | 209 | 41\% | ${ }_{9}^{\text {9,613 }}$ | 41\% | 13,373 | 41\% | 74,885 | 40\% |  |
| Response options listed just as | information from various |  | Very often |  | 222 | 42\% | 5,384 | 25\% | 10,532 | 28\% | 58,631 | 32\% | 262 | 50\% | 9,729 | 41\% | 14,375 | 42\% | 91,727 | 46\% | students responding to the |
| they appear on the instrument. |  |  |  | Total | 508 | 100\% | 20,791 | 100\% | 35,839 | 100\% | 181,182 | 100\% | 521 | 100\% | 22,986 | 100\% | 32,793 | 100\% | 191,717 | 100 | particular option in each |
|  | Included diverse perspectives (different | DIVCLASS | Never <br> Sometimes |  | 21 141 | 4\% | $\begin{aligned} & 1,486 \\ & 7,408 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \% \\ & 35 \% \end{aligned}$ | 2,468 12,131 | $\begin{aligned} & 8 \% \\ & 34 \% \end{aligned}$ | 10,808 57,446 | 7\% | 29 147 | 6\% | 1,616 7,895 | 9\%\% | 2,411 11,050 | 34\% | $\begin{aligned} & 12,010 \\ & 59,116 \end{aligned}$ | 7\% | question. |
|  | races, religions, genders, |  | Often |  | 219 | 43\% | 7,953 | 37\% | 13,742 | 38\% | 70,683 | 38\% | 182 | 36\% | 7,873 | 33\% | 11,133 | 33\% | 66,426 | 34\% | question. |
|  | political beliefs, etc.) in |  | Very often |  | 127 | 24\% | 3,904 | 19\% | 7,456 | 21\% | 41,971 | 23\% | 161 | 29\% | 5,575 | 23\% | 8,138 | 24\% | 53,888 | 27\% |  |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 508 | 100\% | 20,751 | 100\% | 35,797 | 100\% | 180,908 | 100\% | 519 | 100\% | 22,959 | 100\% | 32,732 | 100\% | 191,440 | 100\% |  |





${ }^{\text {a }}$ Column percentages are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size. Counts are not weighted so one cannot calculate the column percentages directly from the counts.


|  | National Survey of Student Engagement |  |  |  | NSSE 2009 Engagement Item Frequency Distributions Indiana University of Pennsylvania |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response OP |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  |  | EXAMS | 1 Very little |  | 7 | 1\% | 4 | 0\% | 67 | 1\% | 38 | 1\% | 5 | 1\% | 15 | 1\% | 157 | 1\% | 61 | 1\% |
|  | represents the extent to which |  | 2 |  | 11 | 1\% | 6 | 1\% | 104 | 1\% | 62 | 1\% | 14 | 2\% | 20 | 2\% | 214 | 2\% | 85 | 1\% |
|  | your examinations during the |  | 3 |  | 42 | 5\% | 25 | 3\% | 329 | 4\% | 172 | 4\% | 35 | 6\% | 41 | 4\% | 463 | 4\% | 226 | 4\% |
|  | current school year challenged |  | 4 |  | 142 | 14\% | 122 | 16\% | 1,230 | 13\% | 595 | 12\% | 87 | 14\% | 157 | 14\% | 1,454 | 12\% | 637 | 11\% |
|  |  |  | 5 |  | 364 | 34\% | 268 | 36\% | 2,867 | 31\% | 1,484 | 31\% | 180 | 28\% | 331 | 31\% | 3,490 | 28\% | 1,606 | 28\% |
|  |  |  | 6 |  | 339 | 31\% | 234 | 31\% | 3,176 | 33\% | 1,725 | 34\% | 215 | 34\% | 300 | 28\% | 4,177 | 32\% | 1,924 | 32\% |
|  |  |  | 7 Very much |  | 162 | 15\% | 88 | 11\% | 1,606 | 17\% | 886 | 17\% | 104 | 16\% | 196 | 19\% | 2,755 | 21\% | 1,246 | 21\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 1,067 | 100\% | 747 | 100\% | 9,379 | 100\% | 4,962 | 100\% | 640 | 100\% | 1,060 | 100\% | 12,710 | 100\% | 5,785 | 100\% |
|  | Attended an art exhibit, play, dance, music, theater, or other performance | ATDART07 | Never |  | 261 | 25\% | 164 | 23\% | 2,216 | 24\% | 1,300 | 28\% | 210 | 33\% | 318 | 31\% | 3,883 | 31\% | 1,906 | 34\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 470 | 45\% | 366 | 49\% | 4,184 | 46\% | 2,219 | 44\% | 284 | 45\% | 456 | 43\% | 5,660 | 45\% | 2,492 | 43\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 200 | 18\% | 149 | 20\% | 1,728 | 18\% | 871 | 17\% | 76 | 11\% | 148 | 14\% | 1,834 | 14\% | 765 | 13\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 132 | 12\% | 66 | 9\% | 1,111 | 12\% | 516 | 11\% | 65 | 10\% | 124 | 11\% | 1,195 | 10\% | 568 | 10\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 1,063 | 100\% | 745 | 100\% | 9,239 | 100\% | 4,906 | 100\% | 635 | 100\% | 1,046 | 100\% | 12,572 | 100\% | 5,731 | 100\% |
|  | Exercised or participated in physical fitness activities | EXRCSE05 | Never |  | 98 | 10\% | 105 | 14\% | 1,108 | 12\% | 649 | 12\% | 79 | 12\% | 147 | 14\% | 1,703 | 14\% | 755 | 15\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 318 | 29\% | 214 | 28\% | 2,658 | 29\% | 1,446 | 30\% | 203 | 32\% | 335 | 32\% | 4,174 | 33\% | 1,891 | 33\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 276 | 26\% | 169 | 22\% | 2,467 | 27\% | 1,322 | 27\% | 146 | 23\% | 246 | 23\% | 3,068 | 24\% | 1,404 | 24\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 368 | 35\% | 256 | 36\% | 3,003 | 32\% | 1,491 | 30\% | 206 | 33\% | 314 | 31\% | 3,629 | 29\% | 1,680 | 28\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 1,060 | 100\% | 744 | 100\% | 9,236 | 100\% | 4,908 | 100\% | 634 | 100\% | 1,042 | 100\% | 12,574 | 100\% | 5,730 | 100\% |
|  | Participated in activities to enhance your spirituality (worship, meditation, prayer, etc.) | WORSHP05 | Never <br> Sometimes <br> Often <br> Very often |  | 562 | 53\% | 458 | 61\% | 3,697 | 42\% | 2,228 | 44\% | 294 | 47\% | 551 | 53\% | 4,387 | 38\% | 2,333 | 41\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 279 | 27\% | 171 | 23\% | 2,444 | 27\% | 1,255 | 26\% | 182 | 29\% | 271 | 26\% | 3,394 | 27\% | 1,522 | 27\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 115 | 11\% | 66 | 9\% | 1,436 | 15\% | 673 | 15\% | 71 | 11\% | 111 | 11\% | 1,939 | 14\% | 755 | 13\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 104 | 10\% | 48 | 6\% | 1,640 | 16\% | 742 | 15\% | 87 | 14\% | 110 | 11\% | 2,823 | 20\% | 1,114 | 19\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 1,060 | 100\% | 743 | 100\% | 9,217 | 100\% | 4,898 | 100\% | 634 | 100\% | 1,043 | 100\% | 12,543 | 100\% | 5,724 | 100\% |
| 6d. | Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue | OWNVIEW | Never <br> Sometimes <br> Often <br> Very often |  | 149 | 15\% | 119 | 16\% | 924 | 10\% | 532 | 11\% | 75 | 12\% | 116 | 12\% | 936 | 8\% | 510 | 9\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 430 | 40\% | 306 | 41\% | 3,306 | 36\% | 1,830 | 38\% | 234 | 36\% | 352 | 33\% | 4,048 | 32\% | 1,956 | 34\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 333 | 31\% | 209 | 29\% | 3,244 | 35\% | 1,664 | 33\% | 212 | 34\% | 343 | 33\% | 4,607 | 36\% | 2,028 | 36\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | 148 | 14\% | 108 | 14\% | 1,747 | 18\% | 869 | 18\% | 111 | 18\% | 227 | 22\% | 2,949 | 24\% | 1,229 | 21\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 1,060 | 100\% | 742 | 100\% | 9,221 | 100\% | 4,895 | 100\% | 632 | 100\% | 1,038 | 100\% | 12,540 | 100\% | 5,723 | 100\% |
| 6 e. | Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective | OTHRVIEW | Never |  | 89 | 9\% | 75 | 10\% | 514 | 6\% | 266 | 6\% | 44 | 7\% | 77 | 8\% | 579 | 5\% | 335 | 6\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 377 | 36\% | 245 | 33\% | 2,836 | 31\% | 1,616 | 33\% | 186 | 29\% | 304 | 29\% | 3,491 | 28\% | 1,715 | 30\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 384 | 35\% | 274 | 38\% | 3,567 | 38\% | 1,894 | 38\% | 251 | 40\% | 377 | 36\% | 5,015 | 40\% | 2,152 | 37\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 209 | 20\% | 146 | 19\% | 2,318 | 25\% | 1,129 | 23\% | 153 | 24\% | 283 | 27\% | 3,478 | 27\% | 1,516 | 27\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 1,059 | 100\% | 740 | 100\% | 9,235 | 100\% | 4,905 | 100\% | 634 | 100\% | 1,041 | 100\% | 12,563 | 100\% | 5,718 | 100\% |
| 6 f. | Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept | CHNGVIEW | Never |  | 44 | 5\% | 31 | 4\% | 364 | 4\% | 189 | 4\% | 22 | 4\% | 43 | 4\% | 393 | 3\% | 213 | 4\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 338 | 31\% | 251 | 33\% | 2,723 | 31\% | 1,542 | 33\% | 199 | 32\% | 321 | 31\% | 3,633 | 29\% | 1,740 | 30\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 430 | 41\% | 319 | 44\% | 3,641 | 39\% | 1,942 | 38\% | 254 | 40\% | 368 | 35\% | 5,011 | 40\% | 2,305 | 40\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 251 | 23\% | 142 | 19\% | 2,525 | 26\% | 1,240 | 24\% | 160 | 25\% | 311 | 30\% | 3,543 | 28\% | 1,473 | 26\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 1,063 | 100\% | 743 | 100\% | 9,253 | 100\% | 4,913 | 100\% | 635 | 100\% | 1,043 | 100\% | 12,580 | 100\% | 5,731 | 100\% |

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|  | National Survey of Student Engagement |  |  | NSSE 2009 Engagement Item Frequency Distributions Indiana University of Pennsylvania |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response Options | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 7h. Culminating senior experience (capstone course, senior project or thesis, comprehensive exam, etc.) |  | SNRX04 | Have not decided | 425 | 40\% | 300 | 41\% | 3,244 | 36\% | 1,836 | 38\% | 74 | 11\% | 119 | 12\% | 1,504 | 11\% | 627 | 11\% |
|  |  | (EEE) | Do not plan to do | 106 | 11\% | 89 | 12\% | 1,013 | 11\% | 640 | 14\% | 182 | 28\% | 275 | 27\% | 2,791 | 21\% | 1,380 | 22\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do | 504 | 48\% | 325 | 44\% | 4,649 | 51\% | 2,257 | 45\% | 166 | 27\% | 286 | 29\% | 4,027 | 33\% | 1,873 | 36\% |
|  |  |  | Done | 16 | 1\% | 18 | 2\% | 197 | 2\% | 94 | 2\% | 209 | 33\% | 350 | 33\% | 4,110 | 35\% | 1,821 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,051 | 100\% | 732 | 100\% | 9,103 | 100\% | 4,827 | 100\% | 631 | 100\% | 1,030 | 100\% | 12,432 | 100\% | 5,701 | 100\% |
| 8a. | Quality of relationships with other students | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ENVSTU } \\ & \text { (SCE) } \end{aligned}$ | 1 Unfriendly, Unsupportive, |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | Sense | 15 | 1\% | 14 | 2\% | 102 | 1\% | 55 | 1\% | 4 | 1\% | 11 | 1\% | 122 | 1\% | 42 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | 2 | 42 | 4\% | 19 | 3\% | 227 | 3\% | 101 | 2\% | 13 | 2\% | 24 | 2\% | 253 | 2\% | 131 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | 3 | 63 | 6\% | 37 | 5\% | 522 | 6\% | 248 | 6\% | 23 | 4\% | 37 | 4\% | 492 | 4\% | 258 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | 4 | 122 | 12\% | 97 | 13\% | 1,218 | 14\% | 658 | 15\% | 73 | 12\% | 91 | 9\% | 1,388 | 12\% | 704 | 13\% |
|  |  |  | 5 | 247 | 23\% | 159 | 22\% | 1,948 | 22\% | 1,053 | 22\% | 139 | 22\% | 232 | 23\% | 2,582 | 21\% | 1,228 | 22\% |
|  |  |  | 6 | 331 | 31\% | 243 | 33\% | 2,708 | 30\% | 1,483 | 29\% | 210 | 33\% | 314 | 31\% | 3,921 | 31\% | 1,831 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | 7 Friendly, Supportive, | 228 | 21\% | 164 | 22\% | 2,368 | 25\% | 1,227 | 25\% | 167 | 26\% | 319 | 31\% | 3,653 | 27\% | 1,503 | 25\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,048 | 100\% | 733 | 100\% | 9,093 | 100\% | 4,825 | 100\% | 629 | 100\% | 1,028 | 100\% | 12,411 | 100\% | 5,697 | 100\% |
|  | Quality of relationships with faculty members | $\begin{gathered} \text { ENVFAC } \\ \text { (SCE) } \end{gathered}$ | Unhelpful, Unsympathetic | 10 | 1\% | 12 | 2\% | 95 | 1\% | 44 | 1\% | 8 | 1\% | 7 | 1\% | 135 | 1\% | 68 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | 2 | 32 | 3\% | 15 | 2\% | 225 | 3\% | 134 | 3\% | 6 | 1\% | 24 | 2\% | 295 | 3\% | 168 | 3\% |
|  |  |  | 3 | 76 | 8\% | 44 | 6\% | 602 | 7\% | 307 | 7\% | 36 | 5\% | 40 | 4\% | 635 | 5\% | 310 | 6\% |
|  |  |  | 4 | 192 | 18\% | 129 | 18\% | 1,633 | 18\% | 870 | 18\% | 90 | 14\% | 121 | 11\% | 1,580 | 13\% | 836 | 16\% |
|  |  |  | 5 | 314 | 29\% | 210 | 29\% | 2,488 | 28\% | 1,348 | 28\% | 155 | 25\% | 235 | 23\% | 2,915 | 24\% | 1,433 | 25\% |
|  |  |  | 6 | 289 | 27\% | 210 | 28\% | 2,558 | 28\% | 1,406 | 28\% | 218 | 35\% | 330 | 32\% | 3,962 | 32\% | 1,801 | 30\% |
|  |  |  | 7 Available, Helpful, Sympathetic | 134 | 13\% | 111 | 15\% | 1,490 | 16\% | 721 | 15\% | 119 | 19\% | 271 | 26\% | 2,897 | 22\% | 1,079 | 19\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,047 | 100\% | 731 | 100\% | 9,091 | 100\% | 4,830 | 100\% | 632 | 100\% | 1,028 | 100\% | 12,419 | 100\% | 5,695 | 100\% |
|  | Quality of relationships with administrative personnel | $\begin{gathered} \text { ENVADM } \\ \text { (SCE) } \end{gathered}$ | 1 Unhelpful, Inconsiderate, Rigid | 34 | 3\% | 23 | 3\% | 298 | 4\% | 187 | 4\% | 35 | 5\% | 53 | 5\% | 718 | 7\% | 323 | 6\% |
|  | and offices |  | 2 | 67 | 7\% | 38 | 5\% | 564 | 6\% | 285 | 7\% | 63 | 10\% | 76 | 7\% | 960 | 8\% | 481 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | 3 | 159 | 14\% | 84 | 12\% | 949 | 11\% | 509 | 11\% | 66 | 10\% | 129 | 13\% | 1,279 | 11\% | 633 | 12\% |
|  |  |  | 4 | 257 | 24\% | 155 | 22\% | 2,145 | 24\% | 1,079 | 23\% | 138 | 21\% | 213 | 20\% | 2,596 | 21\% | 1,200 | 21\% |
|  |  |  | 5 | 253 | 24\% | 177 | 24\% | 2,178 | 24\% | 1,167 | 24\% | 143 | 23\% | 238 | 23\% | 2,608 | 21\% | 1,176 | 20\% |
|  |  |  | 6 | 178 | 18\% | 176 | 23\% | 1,808 | 20\% | 977 | 19\% | 120 | 19\% | 191 | 19\% | 2,448 | 19\% | 1,139 | 19\% |
|  |  |  | 7 Helpful, Considerate, | 101 | 10\% | 81 | 11\% | 1,152 | 12\% | 616 | 12\% | 67 | 11\% | 129 | 13\% | 1,805 | 14\% | 743 | 13\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,049 | 100\% | 734 | 100\% | 9,094 | 100\% | 4,820 | 100\% | 632 | 100\% | 1,029 | 100\% | 12,414 | 100\% | 5,695 | 100\% |



${ }^{\text {a }}$ Column percentages are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size. Counts are not weighted so one cannot calculate the column percentages directly from the counts.



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|  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
|  | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 11j. Learning effectively on your own | GNINQ | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 42 | 5\% | 27 | 4\% | 425 | 5\% | 247 | 6\% | 40 | 7\% | 60 | 6\% | 674 | 6\% | 405 | 8\% |
|  |  |  |  | 198 | 20\% | 143 | 21\% | 1,859 | 22\% | 1,081 | 24\% | 106 | 17\% | 184 | 19\% | 2,367 | 21\% | 1,090 | 20\% |
|  |  |  |  | 471 | 45\% | 333 | 48\% | 3,600 | 42\% | 1,952 | 43\% | 274 | 45\% | 383 | 39\% | 4,556 | 39\% | 2,181 | 39\% |
|  |  |  |  | 300 | 29\% | 193 | 27\% | 2,693 | 30\% | 1,291 | 27\% | 188 | 31\% | 351 | 36\% | 4,264 | 34\% | 1,826 | 33\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,011 | 100\% | 696 | 100\% | 8,577 | 100\% | 4,571 | 100\% | 608 | 100\% | 978 | 100\% | 11,861 | 100\% | 5,502 | 100\% |
| 11k. Understanding yourself | GNSELF | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 94 | 10\% | 57 | 9\% | 844 | 11\% | 527 | 13\% | 69 | 12\% | 108 | 11\% | 1,461 | 13\% | 829 | 15\% |
|  |  |  |  | 249 | 25\% | 162 | 23\% | 2,091 | 25\% | 1,268 | 27\% | 138 | 23\% | 225 | 23\% | 3,033 | 26\% | 1,534 | 27\% |
|  |  |  |  | 371 | 36\% | 285 | 40\% | 3,069 | 36\% | 1,582 | 34\% | 223 | 37\% | 316 | 32\% | 3,737 | 32\% | 1,686 | 31\% |
|  |  |  |  | 297 | 29\% | 193 | 28\% | 2,549 | 29\% | 1,173 | 26\% | 178 | 29\% | 326 | 33\% | 3,633 | 29\% | 1,438 | 26\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,011 | 100\% | 697 | 100\% | 8,553 | 100\% | 4,550 | 100\% | 608 | 100\% | 975 | 100\% | 11,864 | 100\% | 5,487 | 100\% |
| 111. Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds | GNDIVERS | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 114 | 12\% | 64 | 9\% | 929 | 11\% | 529 | 12\% | 83 | 13\% | 141 | 15\% | 1,581 | 13\% | 825 | 14\% |
|  |  |  |  | 297 | 29\% | 229 | 33\% | 2,514 | 30\% | 1,404 | 31\% | 198 | 33\% | 304 | 31\% | 3,592 | 30\% | 1,789 | 31\% |
|  |  |  |  | 356 | 35\% | 253 | 36\% | 2,948 | 34\% | 1,518 | 33\% | 197 | 33\% | 298 | 30\% | 3,757 | 32\% | 1,649 | 31\% |
|  |  |  |  | 239 | 24\% | 152 | 22\% | 2,189 | 25\% | 1,116 | 24\% | 131 | 21\% | 238 | 24\% | 2,956 | 24\% | 1,238 | 23\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,006 | 100\% | 698 | 100\% | 8,580 | 100\% | 4,567 | 100\% | 609 | 100\% | 981 | 100\% | 11,886 | 100\% | 5,501 | 100\% |
| 11m Solving complex real-world problems | GNPROBSV | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 113 | 13\% | 61 | 9\% | 811 | 10\% | 461 | 12\% | 79 | 13\% | 107 | 11\% | 1,194 | 10\% | 611 | 11\% |
|  |  |  |  | 312 | 30\% | 213 | 30\% | 2,638 | 31\% | 1,421 | 31\% | 172 | 28\% | 290 | 29\% | 3,201 | 28\% | 1,555 | 29\% |
|  |  |  |  | 380 | 36\% | 289 | 42\% | 3,091 | 36\% | 1,662 | 36\% | 230 | 38\% | 333 | 34\% | 4,267 | 36\% | 1,943 | 35\% |
|  |  |  |  | 210 | 21\% | 137 | 20\% | 2,047 | 23\% | 1,018 | 22\% | 131 | 21\% | 252 | 26\% | 3,236 | 26\% | 1,405 | 25\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,015 | 100\% | 700 | 100\% | 8,587 | 100\% | 4,562 | 100\% | 612 | 100\% | 982 | 100\% | 11,898 | 100\% | 5,514 | 100\% |
| 11n. Developing a personal code of values and ethics | GNETHICS | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 133 | 15\% | 73 | 11\% | 1,068 | 13\% | 639 | 15\% | 90 | 15\% | 136 | 14\% | 1,766 | 16\% | 1,058 | 20\% |
|  |  |  |  | 267 | 26\% | 192 | 27\% | 2,275 | 27\% | 1,359 | 29\% | 162 | 26\% | 262 | 26\% | 3,139 | 27\% | 1,572 | 28\% |
|  |  |  |  | 388 | 37\% | 282 | 40\% | 2,937 | 34\% | 1,516 | 34\% | 194 | 32\% | 311 | 32\% | 3,542 | 30\% | 1,574 | 29\% |
|  |  |  |  | 226 | 22\% | 154 | 22\% | 2,301 | 25\% | 1,053 | 22\% | 164 | 27\% | 272 | 28\% | 3,437 | 27\% | 1,303 | 23\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,014 | 100\% | 701 | 100\% | 8,581 | 100\% | 4,567 | 100\% | 610 | 100\% | 981 | 100\% | 11,884 | 100\% | 5,507 | 100\% |
| 110. Contributing to the welfare of your community | GNCOMMUN | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 211 | 22\% | 126 | 19\% | 1,485 | 18\% | 944 | 23\% | 110 | 18\% | 210 | 22\% | 2,321 | 20\% | 1,317 | 24\% |
|  |  |  |  | 376 | 37\% | 259 | 37\% | 2,833 | 34\% | 1,666 | 35\% | 233 | 38\% | 330 | 33\% | 3,883 | 33\% | 1,947 | 35\% |
|  |  |  |  | 279 | 27\% | 219 | 31\% | 2,556 | 29\% | 1,283 | 28\% | 176 | 29\% | 268 | 27\% | 3,247 | 27\% | 1,344 | 25\% |
|  |  |  |  | 149 | 14\% | 96 | 14\% | 1,709 | 19\% | 679 | 14\% | 93 | 15\% | 173 | 18\% | 2,441 | 20\% | 906 | 16\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,015 | 100\% | 700 | 100\% | 8,583 | 100\% | 4,572 | 100\% | 612 | 100\% | 981 | 100\% | 11,892 | 100\% | 5,514 | 100\% |
| 11p. Developing a deepened sense of spirituality | GNSPIRIT | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 385 | 39\% | 261 | 37\% | 2,909 | 36\% | 1,973 | 43\% | 301 | 49\% | 513 | 52\% | 5,527 | 49\% | 3,055 | 56\% |
|  |  |  |  | 294 | 29\% | 215 | 30\% | 2,269 | 28\% | 1,217 | 26\% | 160 | 25\% | 227 | 23\% | 2,735 | 23\% | 1,215 | 21\% |
|  |  |  |  | 198 | 19\% | 151 | 22\% | 1,762 | 20\% | 793 | 18\% | 85 | 15\% | 123 | 13\% | 1,742 | 14\% | 670 | 12\% |
|  |  |  |  | 135 | 13\% | 77 | 11\% | 1,649 | 17\% | 587 | 13\% | 65 | 10\% | 117 | 12\% | 1,900 | 14\% | 569 | 10\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,012 | 100\% | 704 | 100\% | 8,589 | 100\% | 4,570 | 100\% | 611 | 100\% | 980 | 100\% | 11,904 | 100\% | 5,509 | 100\% |


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|  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
|  | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| Overall, how would you evaluate the quality of academic advising you have received at your institution? | ADVISE | Poor |  | 64 | 7\% | 32 | 4\% | 430 | 5\% | 294 | 7\% | 65 | 10\% | 80 | 8\% | 1,251 | 12\% | 654 | 13\% |
|  |  | Fair |  | 182 | 19\% | 108 | 15\% | 1,483 | 17\% | 818 | 19\% | 133 | 22\% | 200 | 20\% | 2,564 | 22\% | 1,279 | 24\% |
|  |  | Good |  | 527 | 49\% | 357 | 50\% | 4,095 | 47\% | 2,191 | 47\% | 270 | 43\% | 418 | 42\% | 4,756 | 39\% | 2,121 | 38\% |
|  |  | Excellent |  | 248 | 25\% | 211 | 30\% | 2,707 | 30\% | 1,327 | 28\% | 153 | 25\% | 296 | 30\% | 3,479 | 27\% | 1,512 | 26\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,021 | 100\% | 708 | 100\% | 8,715 | 100\% | 4,630 | 100\% | 621 | 100\% | 994 | 100\% | 12,050 | 100\% | 5,566 | 100\% |
| How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this institution? | ENTIREXP | Poor |  | 20 | 2\% | 15 | 2\% | 179 | 2\% | 96 | 3\% | 15 | 2\% | 20 | 2\% | 282 | 3\% | 150 | 3\% |
|  |  | Fair |  | 137 | 15\% | 80 | 12\% | 1,000 | 12\% | 501 | 12\% | 74 | 12\% | 126 | 13\% | 1,485 | 13\% | 798 | 15\% |
|  |  | Good |  | 568 | 54\% | 397 | 56\% | 4,496 | 52\% | 2,502 | 55\% | 346 | 56\% | 521 | 52\% | 5,835 | 49\% | 2,731 | 50\% |
|  |  | Excellent |  | 297 | 29\% | 216 | 30\% | 3,035 | 33\% | 1,526 | 30\% | 185 | 30\% | 325 | 33\% | 4,445 | 35\% | 1,890 | 32\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,022 | 100\% | 708 | 100\% | 8,710 | 100\% | 4,625 | 100\% | 620 | 100\% | 992 | 100\% | 12,047 | 100\% | 5,569 | 100\% |
| If you could start over again, would you go to the same institution you are now attending? | SAMECOLL | Definitely no |  | 50 | 5\% | 34 | 5\% | 372 | 4\% | 193 | 5\% | 42 | 7\% | 54 | 6\% | 661 | 6\% | 324 | 6\% |
|  |  | Probably no |  | 164 | 16\% | 103 | 15\% | 1,125 | 13\% | 566 | 13\% | 92 | 15\% | 160 | 16\% | 1,642 | 14\% | 824 | 16\% |
|  |  | Probably yes |  | 433 | 42\% | 291 | 41\% | 3,515 | 42\% | 1,950 | 43\% | 265 | 43\% | 417 | 42\% | 4,683 | 40\% | 2,268 | 42\% |
|  |  | Definitely yes |  | 376 | 37\% | 281 | 40\% | 3,711 | 41\% | 1,918 | 39\% | 222 | 36\% | 363 | 36\% | 5,067 | 40\% | 2,153 | 37\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,023 | 100\% | 709 | 100\% | 8,723 | 100\% | 4,627 | 100\% | 621 | 100\% | 994 | 100\% | 12,053 | 100\% | 5,569 | 100\% |


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|  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response Options | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 15. | Age | AGE | 19 or younger | 873 | 83\% | 675 | 95\% | 7,365 | 83\% | 3,824 | 79\% | 0 | 0\% | 3 | 0\% | 26 | 0\% | 23 | 0\% |
|  |  |  | 20-23 | 114 | 13\% | 24 | 3\% | 597 | 8\% | 494 | 13\% | 487 | 77\% | 820 | 81\% | 6,892 | 55\% | 3,374 | 57\% |
|  |  |  | 24-29 | 16 | 2\% | 5 | 1\% | 267 | 3\% | 147 | 3\% | 83 | 14\% | 102 | 11\% | 2,159 | 20\% | 1,134 | 23\% |
|  |  |  | 30-39 | 10 | 1\% | 3 | 0\% | 249 | 3\% | 98 | 3\% | 27 | 5\% | 37 | 4\% | 1,501 | 13\% | 547 | 11\% |
|  |  |  | 40-55 | 8 | 1\% | 4 | 0\% | 238 | 3\% | 73 | 2\% | 24 | 4\% | 33 | 4\% | 1,336 | 11\% | 437 | 8\% |
|  |  |  | Over 55 | 0 | 0\% | 0 | 0\% | 20 | 0\% | 9 | 0\% | 1 | 0\% | 2 | 0\% | 132 | 1\% | 47 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,021 | 100\% | 711 | 100\% | 8,736 | 100\% | 4,645 | 100\% | 622 | 100\% | 997 | 100\% | 12,046 | 100\% | 5,562 | 100\% |
| 16. | Your sex: | SEX | Male | 338 | 44\% | 230 | 44\% | 2,964 | 44\% | 1,942 | 49\% | 216 | 44\% | 353 | 44\% | 4,139 | 42\% | 2,371 | 48\% |
|  |  |  | Female | 683 | 56\% | 482 | 56\% | 5,784 | 56\% | 2,703 | 51\% | 406 | 56\% | 643 | 56\% | 7,922 | 58\% | 3,195 | 52\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,021 | 100\% | 712 | 100\% | 8,748 | 100\% | 4,645 | 100\% | 622 | 100\% | 996 | 100\% | 12,061 | 100\% | 5,566 | 100\% |
| 17. | Are you an international | INTERNAT | No | 964 | 94\% | 689 | 97\% | 8,198 | 94\% | 4,394 | 95\% | 599 | 97\% | 957 | 97\% | 11,425 | 95\% | 5,319 | 94\% |
|  | student or foreign national? |  | Yes | 51 | 6\% | 20 | 3\% | 498 | 6\% | 241 | 5\% | 19 | 3\% | 27 | 3\% | 590 | 5\% | 244 | 6\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,015 | 100\% | 709 | 100\% | 8,696 | 100\% | 4,635 | 100\% | 618 | 100\% | 984 | 100\% | 12,015 | 100\% | 5,563 | 100\% |
|  | What is your racial or ethnic identification? (Select only | RACE05 | American Indian or other Native American | 1 | 0\% | 1 | 0\% | 57 | 1\% | 21 | 0\% | 2 | 0\% | 1 | 0\% | 89 | 1\% | 33 | 1\% |
|  | one.) |  | Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander | 35 | 4\% | 9 | 1\% | 418 | 5\% | 330 | 6\% | 17 | 3\% | 14 | 1\% | 519 | 5\% | 277 | 6\% |
|  |  |  | Black or African <br> American | 57 | 5\% | 32 | 5\% | 1,039 | 11\% | 477 | 11\% | 26 | 4\% | 42 | 4\% | 1,267 | 9\% | 537 | 10\% |
|  |  |  | White (non-Hispanic) | 834 | 81\% | 616 | 85\% | 5,714 | 66\% | 3,222 | 68\% | 519 | 83\% | 825 | 83\% | 8,245 | 68\% | 4,000 | 68\% |
|  |  |  | Mexican or Mexican |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | American | 2 | 0\% | 6 | 1\% | 170 | 2\% | 52 | 1\% | 2 | 0\% | 1 | 0\% | 234 | 3\% | 55 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | Puerto Rican | 7 | 1\% | 4 | 1\% | 104 | 1\% | 18 | 0\% | 2 | 0\% | 10 | 1\% | 87 | 1\% | 26 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | Other Hispanic or Latino | 13 | 1\% | 8 | 1\% | 288 | 3\% | 54 | 1\% | 4 | 1\% | 11 | 1\% | 356 | 3\% | 69 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | Multiracial | 18 | 2\% | 7 | 1\% | 280 | 3\% | 122 | 3\% | 9 | 1\% | 14 | 1\% | 281 | 2\% | 120 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | Other | 13 | 2\% | 6 | 1\% | 183 | 2\% | 81 | 2\% | 5 | 1\% | 8 | 1\% | 210 | 2\% | 64 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | I prefer not to respond | 40 | 4\% | 22 | 4\% | 465 | 6\% | 265 | 6\% | 36 | 6\% | 64 | 7\% | 750 | 7\% | 390 | 7\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,020 | 100\% | 711 | 100\% | 8,718 | 100\% | 4,642 | 100\% | 622 | 100\% | 990 | 100\% | 12,038 | 100\% | 5,571 | 100\% |
| 19. | What is your current | CLASS | Freshman/first year | 810 | 78\% | 680 | 96\% | 7,435 | 83\% | 3,531 | 71\% | 0 | 0\% | 1 | 0\% | 25 | 0\% | 5 | 0\% |
|  | classification in college? |  | Sophomore | 178 | 18\% | 24 | 3\% | 975 | 12\% | 991 | 25\% | 6 | 1\% | 1 | 0\% | 45 | 0\% | 21 | 0\% |
|  |  |  | Junior | 17 | 2\% | 1 | 0\% | 175 | 2\% | 73 | 2\% | 31 | 5\% | 54 | 5\% | 740 | 6\% | 393 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | Senior | 6 | 1\% | 1 | 0\% | 38 | 1\% | 28 | 1\% | 569 | 91\% | 910 | 92\% | 10,784 | 89\% | 5,017 | 87\% |
|  |  |  | Unclassified | 8 | 1\% | 5 | 1\% | 100 | 1\% | 27 | 1\% | 16 | 3\% | 28 | 3\% | 433 | 4\% | 130 | 3\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,019 | 100\% | 711 | 100\% | 8,723 | 100\% | 4,650 | 100\% | 622 | 100\% | 994 | 100\% | 12,027 | 100\% | 5,566 | 100\% |
| 20. | Did you begin college at your | ENTER | Started here | 927 | 90\% | 676 | 95\% | 7,727 | 88\% | 4,102 | 86\% | 462 | 74\% | 625 | 62\% | 5,891 | 47\% | 3,053 | 49\% |
|  | current institution or |  | Started elsewhere | 91 | 10\% | 34 | 5\% | 995 | 12\% | 545 | 14\% | 158 | 26\% | 369 | 38\% | 6,152 | 53\% | 2,514 | 51\% |
|  | elsewhere? |  | Total | 1,018 | 100\% | 710 | 100\% | 8,722 | 100\% | 4,647 | 100\% | 620 | 100\% | 994 | 100\% | 12,043 | 100\% | 5,567 | 100\% |


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|  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response Options | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 21. | Since graduating from high school, which of the following | VOTECH05 | Vocational or technical school | 38 | 5\% | 18 | 3\% | 383 | 4\% | 204 | 4\% | 30 | 5\% | 40 | 5\% | 1,053 | 9\% | 435 | 8\% |
|  | types of schools have you attended other than the one | COMCOL05 | Community or junior college | 65 | 6\% | 40 | 6\% | 911 | 11\% | 399 | 10\% | 133 | 22\% | 305 | 32\% | 5,393 | 47\% | 1,998 | 42\% |
|  | you are attending now? <br> (Select all that apply.) | FOURYR05 | 4-year college other than this one | 93 | 10\% | 44 | 6\% | 789 | 9\% | 458 | 11\% | 118 | 20\% | 215 | 22\% | 3,580 | 31\% | 1,592 | 30\% |
|  |  | NONE05 | None | 806 | 80\% | 603 | 86\% | 6,727 | 77\% | 3,592 | 76\% | 375 | 60\% | 502 | 50\% | 4,466 | 36\% | 2,357 | 38\% |
|  |  | OCOL1_05 | Other | 29 | 3\% | 20 | 3\% | 307 | 4\% | 158 | 4\% | 26 | 5\% | 50 | 6\% | 539 | 5\% | 251 | 5\% |
| 22. | Thinking about this current | ENRLMENT | Less than full-time | 26 | 4\% | 9 | 1\% | 474 | 6\% | 233 | 7\% | 43 | 8\% | 68 | 8\% | 2,327 | 21\% | 936 | 19\% |
|  | academic term...How would |  | Full-time | 992 | 96\% | 701 | 99\% | 8,251 | 94\% | 4,418 | 93\% | 579 | 92\% | 927 | 92\% | 9,712 | 79\% | 4,639 | 81\% |
|  | you characterize your enrollment? |  | Total | 1,018 | 100\% | 710 | 100\% | 8,725 | 100\% | 4,651 | 100\% | 622 | 100\% | 995 | 100\% | 12,039 | 100\% | 5,575 | 100\% |
|  | Thinking about this current academic term...Are you | DISTED | No | 1,002 | 98\% | 703 | 99\% | 8,003 | 95\% | 4,446 | 97\% | 610 | 98\% | 965 | 96\% | 10,665 | 92\% | 5,248 | 97\% |
|  | taking all courses entirely online? (Item appeared only in |  | Yes | 16 | 2\% | 8 | 1\% | 468 | 5\% | 96 | 3\% | 11 | 2\% | 29 | 4\% | 1,285 | 8\% | 173 | 3\% |
|  | the online instrument.) |  | Total | 1,018 | 100\% | 711 | 100\% | 8,471 | 100\% | 4,542 | 100\% | 621 | 100\% | 994 | 100\% | 11,950 | 100\% | 5,421 | 100\% |
|  | Do you have any disabilities? (Select all that apply.) (Item | DISNONE | No, I do not have any disabilities | 894 | 89\% | 630 | 89\% | 7,474 | 88\% | 3,980 | 87\% | 543 | 88\% | 892 | 90\% | 10,463 | 87\% | 4,711 | 87\% |
|  | appeared only in the online instrument and was preceded by the statement "Your | DISSENSE | Yes, I have a sensory impairment (vision or hearing) | 19 | 2\% | 11 | 2\% | 200 | 3\% | 108 | 3\% | 6 | 1\% | 18 | 2\% | 189 | 2\% | 112 | 2\% |
|  | institution will not receive your identified response to | DISMOBIL | Yes, I have a mobility impairment | 6 | 1\% | 2 | 0\% | 54 | 1\% | 32 | 1\% | 3 | 0\% | 5 | 1\% | 126 | 1\% | 70 | 1\% |
|  | the following question. Only an overall summary of | DISLEARN | Yes, I have a learning disability | 40 | 4\% | 40 | 6\% | 286 | 4\% | 143 | 4\% | 19 | 3\% | 29 | 3\% | 419 | 4\% | 189 | 3\% |
|  | responses will be provided." <br> Accordingly, this item does | DISMENT | Yes, I have a mental health disorder | 25 | 2\% | 13 | 2\% | 143 | 2\% | 88 | 2\% | 19 | 3\% | 15 | 1\% | 271 | 3\% | 136 | 3\% |
|  | not appear in the NSSE09 data file or codebook.) | DISOTHER | Yes, I have another disability | 13 | 1\% | 12 | 2\% | 141 | 2\% | 90 | 2\% | 5 | 1\% | 16 | 2\% | 243 | 2\% | 114 | 2\% |
|  |  | DISREFUS | I choose not to answer | 24 | 2\% | 19 | 3\% | 279 | 3\% | 166 | 4\% | 28 | 5\% | 35 | 4\% | 450 | 4\% | 195 | 4\% |
| 23. | Are you member of a social | FRATSORO | No | 910 | 90\% | 672 | 94\% | 7,972 | 92\% | 4,280 | 91\% | 536 | 86\% | 899 | 91\% | 10,649 | 89\% | 4,977 | 90\% |
|  | fraternity or sorority? |  | Yes | 107 | 10\% | 37 | 6\% | 736 | 8\% | 364 | 9\% | 86 | 14\% | 96 | 9\% | 1,391 | 11\% | 595 | 10\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 1,017 | 100\% | 709 | 100\% | 8,708 | 100\% | 4,644 | 100\% | 622 | 100\% | 995 | 100\% | 12,040 | 100\% | 5,572 | 100\% |
| 24. | Are you a student-athlete on a | ATHLETE | No | 952 | 93\% | 636 | 89\% | 8,148 | 94\% | 4,378 | 95\% | 590 | 95\% | 932 | 94\% | 11,587 | 97\% | 5,374 | 97\% |
|  | team sponsored by your |  | Yes | 65 | 7\% | 71 | 11\% | 547 | 6\% | 256 | 5\% | 30 | 5\% | 62 | 6\% | 442 | 3\% | 187 | 3\% |
|  | institution's athletics department? |  | Total | 1,017 | 100\% | 707 | 100\% | 8,695 | 100\% | 4,634 | 100\% | 620 | 100\% | 994 | 100\% | 12,029 | 100\% | 5,561 | 100\% |


| National Survey of Student Engagement |  |  | NSSE 2009 Background Item Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Indiana University of Pennsylvania |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
|  | Variable | Response Options | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 25. What have most of your grades been up to now at this institution? | GRADES04 | C- or lower | 32 | 3\% | 9 | 1\% | 177 | 2\% | 110 | 3\% | 2 | 0\% | 3 | 0\% | 30 | 0\% | 21 | 0\% |
|  |  | C | 38 | 4\% | 33 | 5\% | 296 | 4\% | 194 | 4\% | 11 | 2\% | 22 | 3\% | 169 | 1\% | 116 | 2\% |
|  |  | C+ | 69 | 7\% | 45 | 7\% | 497 | 6\% | 332 | 8\% | 32 | 5\% | 43 | 5\% | 469 | 4\% | 254 | 5\% |
|  |  | B- | 101 | 10\% | 64 | 9\% | 673 | 8\% | 407 | 9\% | 43 | 7\% | 60 | 6\% | 794 | 7\% | 454 | 8\% |
|  |  | B | 200 | 20\% | 159 | 23\% | 1,648 | 19\% | 941 | 20\% | 103 | 17\% | 192 | 19\% | 2,262 | 19\% | 1,144 | 21\% |
|  |  | B+ | 146 | 15\% | 132 | 18\% | 1,738 | 20\% | 819 | 18\% | 101 | 16\% | 174 | 18\% | 2,395 | 20\% | 1,033 | 19\% |
|  |  | A- | 154 | 15\% | 130 | 18\% | 1,627 | 18\% | 774 | 16\% | 113 | 18\% | 195 | 20\% | 2,488 | 21\% | 1,015 | 18\% |
|  |  | A | 277 | 26\% | 137 | 18\% | 2,031 | 23\% | 1,053 | 23\% | 217 | 34\% | 306 | 30\% | 3,424 | 28\% | 1,519 | 26\% |
|  |  | Total | 1,017 | 100\% | 709 | 100\% | 8,687 | 100\% | 4,630 | 100\% | 622 | 100\% | 995 | 100\% | 12,031 | 100\% | 5,556 | 100\% |
| 26. Which of the following best describes where you are living now while attending college? | LIVENOW | Dormitory or other campus housing Residence, walking | 747 | 71\% | 545 | 78\% | 5,317 | 60\% | 2,557 | 50\% | 41 | 6\% | 180 | 18\% | 1,367 | 9\% | 557 | 7\% |
|  |  | distance | 123 | 13\% | 46 | 7\% | 468 | 6\% | 445 | 12\% | 373 | 60\% | 310 | 31\% | 1,982 | 18\% | 1,049 | 19\% |
|  |  | Residence, driving distance | 123 | 13\% | 94 | 12\% | 2,371 | 28\% | 1,408 | 33\% | 178 | 29\% | 441 | 45\% | 7,313 | 63\% | 3,617 | 68\% |
|  |  | Fraternity or sorority house | 3 | 0\% | 0 | 0\% | 22 | 0\% | 44 | 1\% | 1 | 0\% | 7 | 1\% | 107 | 1\% | 58 | 1\% |
|  |  | None of the above | 16 | 2\% | 21 | 3\% | 488 | 5\% | 155 | 4\% | 27 | 4\% | 51 | 6\% | 1,225 | 9\% | 266 | 5\% |
|  |  | Total | 1,012 | 100\% | 706 | 100\% | 8,666 | 100\% | 4,609 | 100\% | 620 | 100\% | 989 | 100\% | 11,994 | 100\% | 5,547 | 100\% |
| 27a. What is the highest level of education that your father completed? | FATHREDU | Did not finish HS | 69 | 7\% | 26 | 4\% | 719 | 8\% | 316 | 8\% | 29 | 5\% | 57 | 6\% | 1,294 | 11\% | 448 | 9\% |
|  |  | Graduated from HS | 401 | 40\% | 303 | 42\% | 2,263 | 26\% | 1,390 | 31\% | 231 | 38\% | 350 | 35\% | 3,104 | 26\% | 1,558 | 29\% |
|  |  | Attended, no degree | 127 | 12\% | 91 | 13\% | 1,329 | 15\% | 704 | 16\% | 79 | 13\% | 131 | 13\% | 1,854 | 16\% | 843 | 15\% |
|  |  | Completed Associate's | 72 | 7\% | 73 | 11\% | 720 | 8\% | 368 | 8\% | 75 | 12\% | 108 | 11\% | 1,055 | 9\% | 435 | 8\% |
|  |  | Completed Bachelor's | 228 | 24\% | 143 | 21\% | 2,131 | 25\% | 1,114 | 22\% | 130 | 21\% | 226 | 23\% | 2,800 | 23\% | 1,304 | 23\% |
|  |  | Completed Master's | 82 | 8\% | 53 | 8\% | 1,034 | 12\% | 499 | 11\% | 56 | 10\% | 86 | 9\% | 1,289 | 11\% | 656 | 12\% |
|  |  | Completed Doctorate | 26 | 3\% | 14 | 2\% | 398 | 4\% | 189 | 4\% | 17 | 3\% | 24 | 3\% | 523 | 4\% | 267 | 5\% |
|  |  | Total | 1,005 | 100\% | 703 | 100\% | 8,594 | 100\% | 4,580 | 100\% | 617 | 100\% | 982 | 100\% | 11,919 | 100\% | 5,511 | 100\% |
| 27b. What is the highest level of education that your mother completed? | MOTHREDU | Did not finish HS | 40 | 4\% | 23 | 3\% | 467 | 6\% | 227 | 5\% | 20 | 3\% | 42 | 4\% | 1,017 | 9\% | 340 | 7\% |
|  |  | Graduated from HS | 354 | 34\% | 253 | 36\% | 2,067 | 24\% | 1,247 | 29\% | 248 | 41\% | 341 | 35\% | 3,315 | 28\% | 1,584 | 29\% |
|  |  | Attended, no degree | 132 | 13\% | 91 | 12\% | 1,492 | 17\% | 739 | 16\% | 67 | 11\% | 113 | 11\% | 1,961 | 17\% | 876 | 16\% |
|  |  | Completed Associate's | 130 | 13\% | 131 | 19\% | 1,154 | 13\% | 579 | 12\% | 102 | 16\% | 184 | 18\% | 1,557 | 13\% | 666 | 12\% |
|  |  | Completed Bachelor's | 242 | 25\% | 133 | 19\% | 2,246 | 26\% | 1,149 | 24\% | 124 | 20\% | 214 | 22\% | 2,589 | 21\% | 1,318 | 23\% |
|  |  | Completed Master's | 107 | 10\% | 65 | 10\% | 1,052 | 12\% | 568 | 12\% | 52 | 9\% | 83 | 9\% | 1,333 | 11\% | 666 | 12\% |
|  |  | Completed Doctorate | 8 | 1\% | 8 | 1\% | 159 | 2\% | 94 | 2\% | 6 | 1\% | 7 | 1\% | 194 | 2\% | 92 | 2\% |
|  |  | Total | 1,013 | 100\% | 704 | 100\% | 8,637 | 100\% | 4,603 | 100\% | 619 | 100\% | 984 | 100\% | 11,966 | 100\% | 5,542 | 100\% |



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${ }^{\text {a }}$ Column percentages are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size. Counts are not weighted so one cannot calculate the column percentages directly from the counts.


## NSSE 2009 Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Indiana University of Pennsylvania

|  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  |
|  | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count \% |  | Count \% |  |
| 1h. Had meaningful conversations with a person with a disability | PAS0901H | Never |  | 460 | 49\% | 247 | 40\% | 177 | 30\% | 276 | 31\% |
|  | Sometimes |  |  | 330 | 36\% | 226 | 36\% | 271 | 47\% | 387 | 43\% |
|  | Often |  |  | 92 | 10\% | 100 | 16\% | 85 | 15\% | 142 | 16\% |
|  | Very often |  |  | 50 | 5\% | 46 | 8\% | 48 | 8\% | 93 | 10\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 932 | 100\% | 619 | 100\% | 581 | 100\% | 898 | 100\% |
| 1i. Asked a librarian or library staff member for assistance | PAS0901I | Never <br> Sometimes <br> Often <br> Very often |  | 383 | 42\% | 180 | 29\% | 184 | 32\% | 236 | 27\% |
|  |  |  |  | 390 | 42\% | 295 | 48\% | 264 | 45\% | 463 | 51\% |
|  |  |  |  | 117 | 12\% | 119 | 19\% | 114 | 20\% | 154 | 17\% |
|  |  |  |  | 42 | 4\% | 24 | 4\% | 20 | 3\% | 48 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 932 | 100\% | 618 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 901 | 100\% |
| 1j. Discussed your learning style with your adviser or staff member | PAS0901J | Never <br> Sometimes <br> Often <br> Very often |  | 373 | 40\% | 242 | 39\% | 229 | 39\% | 331 | 37\% |
|  |  |  |  | 364 | 39\% | 218 | 36\% | 223 | 38\% | 316 | 35\% |
|  |  |  |  | 128 | 14\% | 119 | 20\% | 101 | 18\% | 181 | 20\% |
|  |  |  |  | 63 | 7\% | 33 | 5\% | 27 | 5\% | 70 | 8\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 928 | 100\% | 612 | 100\% | 580 | 100\% | 898 | 100\% |
| 1 k . Discussed selection of academic majors, minors, or academic concentrations with a faculty or staff member | PAS0901K | Never <br> Sometimes <br> Often <br> Very often |  | 206 | 22\% | 105 | 17\% | 159 | 27\% | 213 | 24\% |
|  |  |  |  | 424 | 47\% | 257 | 42\% | 232 | 40\% | 350 | 39\% |
|  |  |  |  | 218 | 23\% | 184 | 30\% | 142 | 25\% | 213 | 24\% |
|  |  |  |  | 79 | 8\% | 70 | 11\% | 47 | 8\% | 121 | 13\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 927 | 100\% | 616 | 100\% | 580 | 100\% | 897 | 100\% |
| 11. Discussed career-related topics such as internships, resumes, and references with a faculty or staff member | PAS0901L | Never <br> Sometimes <br> Often <br> Very often |  | 331 | 35\% | 211 | 33\% | 55 | 10\% | 114 | 13\% |
|  |  |  |  | 344 | 38\% | 232 | 38\% | 203 | 35\% | 290 | 32\% |
|  |  |  |  | 175 | 19\% | 132 | 22\% | 203 | 35\% | 268 | 30\% |
|  |  |  |  | 79 | 8\% | 43 | 7\% | 119 | 20\% | 227 | 25\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 929 | 100\% | 618 | 100\% | 580 | 100\% | 899 | 100\% |
| 1m. Discussed your career plans with a faculty or staff member | PAS0901M | Never <br> Sometimes <br> Often <br> Very often |  | 249 | 27\% | 152 | 25\% | 70 | 12\% | 112 | 13\% |
|  |  |  |  | 392 | 42\% | 259 | 42\% | 205 | 35\% | 318 | 35\% |
|  |  |  |  | 190 | 20\% | 147 | 24\% | 183 | 31\% | 243 | 27\% |
|  |  |  |  | 100 | 11\% | 60 | 10\% | 124 | 21\% | 227 | 25\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 931 | 100\% | 618 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 900 | 100\% |
| 2a. Assignments based on the work of minority author(s) | PAS0902A | None |  | 169 | 18\% | 132 | 22\% | 136 | 25\% | 279 | 32\% |
|  |  | Between 1 and 4 |  | 528 | 58\% | 330 | 54\% | 278 | 49\% | 432 | 49\% |
|  |  | Between 5 and 10 |  | 183 | 20\% | 113 | 19\% | 108 | 19\% | 122 | 14\% |
|  |  | Between 11 and 20 |  | 22 | 2\% | 24 | 4\% | 26 | 5\% | 35 | 4\% |
|  |  | More than 20 |  | 6 | 1\% | 6 | 1\% | 11 | 2\% | 13 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 908 | 100\% | 605 | 100\% | 559 | 100\% | 881 | 100\% |


| National Survey of Student Engagem | NSSE 2009 Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Indiana University of Pennsylvania <br> First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Variable | Response Options |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  |
|  |  |  |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 2b. Assignments that addressed issues in countries other than the United States | PAS0902B | None |  | 153 | 16\% | 153 | 24\% | 129 | 22\% | 267 | 30\% |
|  |  | Between 1 and 4 |  | 466 | 50\% | 324 | 53\% | 258 | 45\% | 399 | 45\% |
|  |  | Between 5 and 10 |  | 236 | 26\% | 107 | 18\% | 129 | 22\% | 162 | 18\% |
|  |  | Between 11 and 20 |  | 59 | 6\% | 21 | 4\% | 43 | 8\% | 37 | 4\% |
|  |  | More than 20 |  | 16 | 2\% | 10 | 2\% | 17 | 3\% | 27 | 3\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 930 | 100\% | 615 | 100\% | 576 | 100\% | 892 | 100\% |
| 3a. Changed your major | PAS0903A | Never |  | 643 | 71\% | 434 | 74\% | 304 | 54\% | 526 | 61\% |
|  |  | Once |  | 178 | 21\% | 126 | 20\% | 180 | 32\% | 254 | 29\% |
|  |  | Twice |  | 27 | 3\% | 15 | 2\% | 43 | 8\% | 67 | 8\% |
|  |  | Three or more |  | 8 | 1\% | 1 | 0\% | 29 | 5\% | 16 | 2\% |
|  |  | Still undeclared |  | 29 | 3\% | 17 | 3\% | 2 | 0\% | 0 | 0\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 885 | 100\% | 593 | 100\% | 558 | 100\% | 863 | 100\% |
| 3b. Changed graduation plans because courses were not available when needed | PAS0903B | Never |  | 837 | 91\% | 555 | 91\% | 344 | 59\% | 600 | 66\% |
|  |  | Once |  | 56 | 6\% | 32 | 5\% | 145 | 26\% | 190 | 22\% |
|  |  | Twice |  | 13 | 1\% | 9 | 2\% | 47 | 8\% | 68 | 8\% |
|  |  | Three or more |  | 5 | 1\% | 3 | 0\% | 41 | 7\% | 40 | 5\% |
|  |  | Still undeclared |  | 12 | 1\% | 13 | 2\% | 3 | 1\% | 3 | 0\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 923 | 100\% | 612 | 100\% | 580 | 100\% | 901 | 100\% |
| 4a. A safe environment for students by providing features and services that enhance safety (lighting, emergency phones, escorts, adequate police patrols, etc.) that enhance safety | PAS0904A | Very little |  | 47 | 5\% | 19 | 3\% | 21 | 3\% | 53 | 6\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 172 | 19\% | 88 | 14\% | 134 | 23\% | 197 | 22\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 334 | 36\% | 229 | 38\% | 256 | 44\% | 353 | 39\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 363 | 39\% | 274 | 43\% | 156 | 27\% | 277 | 31\% |
|  |  | Not applicable |  | 6 | 1\% | 7 | 1\% | 14 | 2\% | 20 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 922 | 100\% | 617 | 100\% | 581 | 100\% | 900 | 100\% |
| 4b. A residential experience that facilitates adjustments to college | PAS0904B | Very little |  | 74 | 8\% | 33 | 6\% | 55 | 9\% | 76 | 8\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 230 | 25\% | 118 | 19\% | 154 | 27\% | 201 | 22\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 327 | 34\% | 226 | 37\% | 162 | 28\% | 247 | 27\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 242 | 26\% | 195 | 31\% | 99 | 17\% | 194 | 22\% |
|  |  | Not applicable |  | 51 | 7\% | 43 | 7\% | 112 | 19\% | 175 | 20\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 924 | 100\% | 615 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 893 | 100\% |
| 4c. Diverse perspectives and global citizenship | PAS0904C | Very little |  | 95 | 10\% | 48 | 8\% | 71 | 12\% | 128 | 14\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 254 | 27\% | 170 | 28\% | 197 | 34\% | 283 | 32\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 287 | 31\% | 213 | 35\% | 163 | 28\% | 236 | 26\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 247 | 27\% | 165 | 26\% | 107 | 19\% | 183 | 20\% |
|  |  | Not applicable |  | 37 | 5\% | 21 | 3\% | 44 | 8\% | 67 | 8\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 920 | 100\% | 617 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 897 | 100\% |
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## Interpreting the Mean Comparisons Report

## Sample

The Mean Comparisons report is based on information from all randomly selected students for both your institution and your comparison institutions. Targeted oversamples and other non-randomly selected students are not included in this report.

## Variables

The items from the NSSE survey appear in the left column in the same order and wording as they appear on the instrument. The name of each variable appears in the second column for easy reference to your data file and the summary statistics at the end of this section. Response options are also provided to help you interpret the statistics.

## Benchmark

Items that make up the five "Benchmarks of Effective Educational Practice" are indicated by the following: LAC=Level of Academic Challenge
ACL=Active and Collaborative Learning SFI=Student-Faculty Interaction
EEE=Enriching Educational Experiences
SCE=Supportive Campus Environment

## Mean

The mean is the weighted arithmetic average of student responses on a particular item. Means are provided for your institution and all comparison groups. For more information about weighting go to: www.nsse.iub.edu/2009_Institutional_Report/NSSE_2009_Weighting.cfm.

## Class

Results are reported separately for first-year students (FY) and seniors (SR).
Institution-reported class ranks are used.

## Statistical Significance

Items with mean differences that are larger than would be expected by chance alone are noted with one, two, or three asterisks, referring to three significance levels ( $\mathrm{p}<.05, \mathrm{p}<.01$, and $\mathrm{p}<.001$ ). The smaller the significance level, the smaller the likelihood that the difference is due to chance. Statistical significance does not guarantee the result is substantive or important. Large sample sizes (like those produced by NSSE) tend to generate more statistically significant results even though the magnitude of mean differences may be inconsequential. It is recommended to consult effect sizes (see below) to judge the practical meaning of the results.

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NSSEville State compared with:
Carnegie Class


## Effect Size

Effect size indicates the "practical significance" of the mean difference. It is calculated by dividing the mean difference by the pooled standard deviation. In practice, an effect size of .2 is often considered small, . 5 moderate, and .8 large. A positive sign indicates that your institution's mean was greater, thus showing an affirmative result for your institution. A negative sign indicates the institution lags behind the comparison group, suggesting that the student behavior or
institutional practice represented by the item may warrant attention. An exception to this interpretation is the "coming to class unprepared" item (item 1f.) where a negative sign is preferred (i.e., meaning fewer students reporting coming to class unprepared).

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| Variable | Benchmark | Class | IUP | IUP compared with: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | PASSHE |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | Selected Peers |  |  |
|  |  |  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size C } \end{aligned}$ |

## 1. Academic and Intellectual Experiences



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|  | Variable | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bench- } \\ \text { mark } \end{gathered}$ | Class | IUP | PASSHE |  |  | Carn | gie |  | Selected Peers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Sire } \end{aligned}$ |
| Used an electronic medium (listserv, chat group, <br> 1. Internet, instant messaging, etc.) to discuss or complete an assignment | ITACADEM | EEE | FY SR | 2.51 2.79 | 2.56 2.81 |  | -. 05 | 2.65 2.89 | $* * *$ $* *$ | -. 14 | 2.61 2.84 | ** | -. 10 |
| m. Used e-mail to communicate with an instructor | EMAIL |  | FY | 3.19 | 3.14 |  | . 07 | 3.18 |  | . 01 | 3.17 |  | . 03 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.50 | 3.50 |  | . 00 | 3.43 | ** | . 10 | 3.38 | *** | . 17 |
| n. Discussed grades or assignments with an instructor | FACGRADE | SFI | FY | 2.62 | 2.58 |  | . 05 | 2.65 |  | -. 03 | 2.64 |  | -. 02 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.91 | 2.88 |  | . 03 | 2.83 | * | . 08 | 2.80 | ** | . 12 |
| Talked about career plans with a faculty member | ACPLAN | SFI | FY | 2.17 | 2.18 |  | -. 01 | 2.19 |  | -. 03 | 2.19 |  | -. 03 |
| or advisor |  |  | SR | 2.59 | 2.57 |  | . 02 | 2.37 | *** | . 23 | 2.36 | *** | . 24 |
| Discussed ideas from your readings or classes | FACIDEAS | SFI | FY | 1.88 | 1.81 |  | . 09 | 1.86 |  | . 02 | 1.87 |  | . 01 |
| with faculty members outside of class |  |  | SR | 2.09 | 2.15 |  | -. 06 | 2.07 |  | . 02 | 2.07 |  | . 02 |
| Received prompt written or oral feedback from | FACFEED | SFI | FY | 2.61 | 2.59 |  | . 02 | 2.68 | * | -. 08 | 2.66 |  | -. 05 |
| faculty on your academic performance |  |  | SR | 2.86 | 2.89 |  | -. 03 | 2.80 |  | . 07 | 2.75 | *** | . 13 |
| Worked harder than you thought you could to meet | WORKHARD | LAC | FY | 2.63 | 2.69 |  | -. 06 | 2.70 | ** | -. 08 | 2.66 |  | -. 03 |
| an instructor's standards or expectations |  |  | SR | 2.73 | 2.78 |  | -. 07 | 2.76 |  | -. 04 | 2.73 |  | . 00 |
| Worked with faculty members on activities other <br> s. than coursework (committees, orientation, student | FACOTHER | SFI | FY | 1.65 | 1.65 |  | . 00 | 1.65 |  | . 00 | 1.62 |  | . 04 |
| life activities, etc.) |  |  | SR | 1.96 | 2.02 |  | -. 06 | 1.79 | *** | . 18 | 1.75 | *** | . 24 |
| Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with <br> t. others outside of class (students, family members, | OOCIDEAS | ACL | FY | 2.69 | 2.63 |  | . 07 | 2.73 |  | -. 04 | 2.72 |  | -. 03 |
| co-workers, etc.) |  |  | SR | 2.81 | 2.84 |  | -. 05 | 2.91 | ** | -. 12 | 2.86 |  | -. 06 |
| u. Had serious conversations with students of a | DIVRSTUD | EEE | FY | 2.51 | 2.50 |  | . 01 | 2.65 | *** | -. 13 | 2.64 | *** | -. 12 |
| different race or ethnicity than your own |  |  | SR | 2.56 | 2.68 | * | -. 12 | 2.73 | *** | -. 17 | 2.75 | *** | -. 19 |
| Had serious conversations with students who are v. very different from you in terms of their religious | DIFFSTU2 | EEE | FY | 2.67 | 2.66 |  | . 01 | 2.72 |  | -. 05 | 2.72 |  | -. 05 |
| beliefs, political opinions, or personal values |  |  | SR | 2.71 | 2.77 |  | -. 06 | 2.73 |  | -. 03 | 2.76 |  | -. 05 |

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8. Quality of Relationships

| a. | Relationships with other students | ENVSTU | SCE | FY | 5.31 | 5.38 |  | -. 05 | 5.41 | * | -. 07 | 5.40 | * | -. 07 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | SR | 5.57 | 5.65 |  | -. 06 | 5.55 |  | . 02 | 5.49 |  | . 06 |
| $1=$ Unavailable, Unhelpful, Unsympathetic to 7=Available, Helpful, Sympathetic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. | Relationships with faculty members | ENVFAC | SCE | FY | 5.07 | 5.16 |  | -. 06 | 5.16 |  | -. 06 | 5.11 |  | -. 03 |
|  |  |  |  | SR | 5.40 | 5.55 | * | -. 12 | 5.38 |  | . 01 | 5.24 | ** | . 12 |
| 1=Unhelpful, Inconsiderate, Rigid to 7=Helpful, Considerate, Flexible |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. | Relationships with administrative personnel and | ENVADM | SCE | FY | 4.50 | 4.73 | ** | -. 15 | 4.67 | ** | -. 11 | 4.62 | * | -. 07 |
|  | offices |  |  | SR | 4.49 | 4.56 |  | -. 04 | 4.54 |  | -. 03 | 4.48 |  | . 01 |

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|  |  | Variable | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bench- } \\ \text { mark } \end{gathered}$ | Class | IUP | PASSHE |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | Selected Peers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { Effectect } \\ \text { Sive } \end{gathered}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Sive } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect ${ }_{\text {Efe }}$ |
| d. | Helping you cope with your non-academic | ENVNACAD | SCE | FY | 2.18 | 2.30 | ** | -. 13 | 2.28 | ** | -. 10 | 2.18 |  | . 00 |
|  |  |  |  | SR | 1.93 | 2.10 | *** | -. 18 | 1.95 |  | -. 02 | 1.90 |  | . 03 |
| e. | Providing the support you need to thrive socially | ENVSOCAL | SCE | FY | 2.44 | 2.56 | ** | -. 12 | 2.50 |  | -.06 | 2.41 |  | . 03 |
|  |  |  |  | SR | 2.26 | 2.37 | * | -. 11 | 2.17 | * | . 10 | 2.13 | *** | . 15 |
| f. | Attending campus events and activities (special speakers, cultural performances, athletic | ENVEVENT |  | FY | 2.69 | 2.91 | *** | -. 24 | 2.80 | *** | -. 12 | 2.76 | * | -. 08 |
|  | events, etc.) |  |  | SR | 2.59 | 2.79 | *** | -. 22 | 2.55 |  | . 04 | 2.54 |  | . 06 |
| g. | Using computers in academic work | ENVCOMPT |  | FY | 3.19 | 3.26 |  | -. 09 | 3.35 | *** | -. 20 | 3.33 | *** | -. 17 |
|  | Using compues in academic work |  |  | SR | 3.40 | 3.42 |  | -. 02 | 3.47 | * | -. 08 | 3.49 | * | -. 11 |

## 11. Educational and Personal Growth

|  | Acquiring a broad general education | GNGENLED | FY | 3.07 | 3.16 | * | -. 11 | 3.13 | * | -. 07 | 3.07 |  | . 00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.22 | 3.22 |  | . 00 | 3.22 |  | . 01 | 3.17 |  | . 07 |
| b. | Acquiring job or work-related knowledge | GNWORK | FY | 2.75 | 2.81 |  | -. 07 | 2.82 | * | -. 08 | 2.78 |  | -. 04 |
|  | and skills |  | SR | 3.12 | 3.14 |  | -. 01 | 3.05 |  | . 08 | 3.05 | * | . 08 |
|  | ely | GNWRITE | FY | 2.98 | 3.02 |  | -. 06 | 3.04 | * | -. 07 | 2.97 |  | . 01 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.14 | 3.05 | * | . 10 | 3.08 |  | . 07 | 3.01 | *** | . 15 |
|  | Speaking clearly and effectively | GNSPEAK | FY | 2.73 | 2.93 | *** | -. 23 | 2.86 | *** | -. 14 | 2.78 |  | -. 05 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.00 | 3.04 |  | -. 04 | 2.96 |  | . 04 | 2.91 | * | . 10 |
|  | kinking criti | GNANALY | FY | 3.11 | 3.11 |  | . 00 | 3.20 | *** | -. 12 | 3.17 | * | -. 08 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.34 | 3.25 | * | . 11 | 3.32 |  | . 03 | 3.29 |  | . 06 |
| f. | Analyzing quantitative problems | GNQUANT | FY | 2.81 | 2.83 |  | -. 03 | 2.94 | *** | -. 15 | 2.93 | *** | -. 14 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.98 | 2.95 |  | . 03 | 3.04 |  | -. 07 | 3.05 |  | -. 08 |
|  | Using computing and information technology | GNCMPTS | FY | 2.96 | 2.97 |  | -. 01 | 3.09 | *** | -. 15 | 3.05 | ** | -. 11 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.18 | 3.23 |  | -. 06 | 3.21 |  | -. 03 | 3.23 |  | -. 06 |
| h. | Working effectively with othe | GNOTHERS | FY | 2.92 | 3.01 | * | -. 10 | 3.01 | ** | -. 11 | 2.94 |  | -. 02 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.17 | 3.18 |  | -. 02 | 3.16 |  | . 01 | 3.10 | * | . 08 |

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## NSSE 2009 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$ <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania <br> First－Year Students

|  | N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | $\text { Degrees of Freedom }^{\mathrm{d}}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{e}$ |  |  | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{3}$ | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 炭 } \\ & \stackrel{N}{2} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\underline{3}$ |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 若 } \\ & \frac{0}{2} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 㟶 <br> 年 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { IUP } \\ & \text { pared w } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | red with： <br>  |  |
| CLQUEST | 1，128 | 2.75 | 2.74 | 2.84 | 2.78 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 81 | ． 82 | ． 86 | ． 85 | 2，050 | 14，784 | 13，704 | ． 810 | ． 001 | ． 173 | ． 01 | －． 10 | －． 04 |
| CLPRESEN | 1，128 | 2.09 | 2.34 | 2.26 | 2.17 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 74 | ． 81 | ． 82 | ． 80 | 1，899 | 1，362 | 1，373 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 32 | －． 22 | －． 10 |
| REWROPAP | 1，125 | 2.69 | 2.70 | 2.75 | 2.71 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 97 | ． 97 | ． 97 | 1.00 | 2，045 | 14，765 | 1，348 | ． 681 | ． 041 | ． 365 | －． 02 | －． 06 | －． 03 |
| InTEGRAT | 1，134 | 2.93 | 3.06 | 3.13 | 3.10 | ． 02 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 82 | ． 75 | ． 78 | ． 80 | 2，028 | 14，831 | 13，719 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 17 | －． 25 | －． 21 |
| DIVCLASS | 1，133 | 2.75 | 2.65 | 2.82 | 2.80 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 86 | ． 84 | ． 88 | ． 91 | 2，052 | 14，801 | 1，367 | ． 009 | ． 009 | ． 035 | ． 12 | －． 08 | －． 06 |
| CLUNPREP | 1，133 | 1.94 | 1.94 | 2.02 | 2.08 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 74 | ． 76 | ． 79 | ． 79 | 2，052 | 14，814 | 1，374 | ． 966 | ． 001 | ． 000 | ． 00 | －． 10 | －． 17 |
| CLASSGRP | 1，132 | 2.58 | 2.46 | 2.47 | 2.46 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 82 | ． 81 | ． 85 | ． 85 | 2，056 | 14，842 | 13，692 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 16 | ． 13 | ． 14 |
| OCCGRP | 1，137 | 2.37 | 2.33 | 2.40 | 2.35 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 86 | ． 85 | ． 89 | ． 90 | 2，063 | 1，347 | 1，372 | ． 281 | ． 292 | ． 523 | ． 05 | －． 03 | ． 02 |
| INTIDEAS | 1，095 | 2.60 | 2.55 | 2.61 | 2.61 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 80 | ． 82 | ． 83 | ． 82 | 1，933 | 13，893 | 12，923 | ． 160 | ． 612 | ． 721 | ． 06 | －． 02 | －． 01 |
| TUTOR | 1，097 | 1.63 | 1.51 | 1.66 | 1.66 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 82 | ． 76 | ． 85 | ． 84 | 1，884 | 13，959 | 12，973 | ． 001 | ． 341 | ． 326 | ． 16 | －． 03 | －． 03 |
| COMMPROJ | 1，096 | 1.50 | 1.41 | 1.62 | 1.50 | ． 02 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 79 | ． 72 | ． 85 | ． 81 | 1，886 | 1，321 | 12，896 | ． 010 | ． 000 | ． 976 | ． 12 | －． 15 | ． 00 |
| ITACADEM | 1，098 | 2.51 | 2.56 | 2.65 | 2.61 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.01 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 1，940 | 13，945 | 12，980 | ． 282 | ． 000 | ． 001 | －． 05 | －． 14 | －． 10 |
| EMAIL | 1，098 | 3.19 | 3.14 | 3.18 | 3.17 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 79 | ． 76 | ． 81 | ． 81 | 1，846 | 13，933 | 12，963 | ． 129 | ． 708 | ． 393 | ． 07 | ． 01 | ． 03 |
| FACGRADE | 1，095 | 2.62 | 2.58 | 2.65 | 2.64 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 88 | ． 85 | ． 88 | ． 89 | 1，936 | 13，957 | 12，967 | ． 246 | ． 317 | ． 461 | ． 05 | －． 03 | －． 02 |
| FACPLANS | 1，096 | 2.17 | 2.18 | 2.19 | 2.19 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 91 | ． 92 | ． 90 | ． 91 | 1，938 | 13，930 | 12，966 | ． 769 | ． 303 | ． 308 | －． 01 | －． 03 | －． 03 |
| FACIDEAS | 1，100 | 1.88 | 1.81 | 1.86 | 1.87 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 90 | ． 91 | ． 90 | ． 91 | 1，940 | 13，957 | 12，984 | ． 059 | ． 439 | ． 688 | ． 09 | ． 02 | ． 01 |
| FACFEED | 1，085 | 2.61 | 2.59 | 2.68 | 2.66 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 82 | ． 80 | ． 84 | ． 84 | 1，905 | 13，649 | 12，743 | ． 600 | ． 013 | ． 119 | ． 02 | －． 08 | －． 05 |
| WORKHARD | 1，081 | 2.63 | 2.69 | 2.70 | 2.66 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 81 | ． 80 | ． 85 | ． 85 | 1，897 | 13，657 | 12，732 | ． 179 | ． 009 | ． 297 | －． 06 | －． 08 | －． 03 |
| FACOTHER | 1，076 | 1.65 | 1.65 | 1.65 | 1.62 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 86 | ． 87 | ． 88 | ． 87 | 1，893 | 13，605 | 12，703 | ． 936 | ． 977 | ． 207 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 04 |
| OOCIDEAS | 1，082 | 2.69 | 2.63 | 2.73 | 2.72 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 89 | ． 90 | 1，901 | 13，640 | 12，747 | ． 149 | ． 164 | ． 325 | ． 07 | －． 04 | －． 03 |
| DIVRSTUD | 1，084 | 2.51 | 2.50 | 2.65 | 2.64 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.02 | 1.01 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1，901 | 13，677 | 12，766 | ． 833 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 01 | －． 13 | －． 12 |
| DIFFSTU2 | 1，081 | 2.67 | 2.66 | 2.72 | 2.72 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.01 | ． 97 | ． 99 | 1.00 | 1，898 | 1，263 | 12，746 | ． 912 | ． 094 | ． 104 | ． 01 | －． 05 | －． 05 |
| MEMORIZE | 1，071 | 2.99 | 2.97 | 2.92 | 2.97 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 81 | ． 79 | ． 87 | ． 85 | 1，882 | 1，290 | 1，294 | ． 637 | ． 010 | ． 466 | ． 02 | ． 08 | ． 02 |
| ANALYZE | 1，067 | 3.02 | 2.94 | 3.11 | 3.09 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 79 | ． 76 | ． 79 | ． 79 | 1，877 | 13，497 | 12，640 | ． 029 | ． 000 | ． 005 | ． 10 | －． 12 | －． 09 |
| SYNTHESZ | 1，056 | 2.83 | 2.76 | 2.92 | 2.87 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 84 | ． 84 | ． 84 | ． 85 | 1，865 | 13，469 | 12，633 | ． 101 | ． 001 | ． 101 | ． 08 | －． 11 | －． 05 |
| EVALUATE | 1，068 | 2.85 | 2.81 | 2.92 | 2.90 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 88 | ． 84 | ． 86 | ． 85 | 1，869 | 1，249 | 1，257 | ． 374 | ． 006 | ． 062 | ． 04 | －． 09 | －． 06 |
| APPLYING | 1，068 | 3.06 | 2.96 | 3.05 | 3.06 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 84 | ． 82 | ． 86 | ． 84 | 1，878 | 13，527 | 12，679 | ． 011 | ． 669 | ． 920 | ． 12 | ． 01 | ． 00 |
| READASGN | 1，063 | 3.20 | 3.17 | 3.23 | 3.16 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 91 | ． 94 | ． 98 | ． 97 | 1，867 | 1，282 | 1，298 | ． 586 | ． 218 | ． 191 | ． 03 | －． 04 | ． 04 |

[^9]A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．
${ }^{\mathrm{d}}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t －tests．Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption．
${ }^{\mathrm{e}}$ Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance．
${ }^{\mathrm{f}}$ Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean，and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation．

|  | N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{2}$ | 2 | $\begin{array}{r} \text { 罱 } \\ \stackrel{N}{2} \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  | $\underline{2}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 罢 } \\ \stackrel{y y y y}{2} \end{gathered}$ |  |  | 3 |  |  |  | $\begin{array}{r} \text { 崖 } \\ \stackrel{y}{2} \\ \hline \end{array}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 䍖 } \\ & \text { 2 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | IUP pared wis <br>  |  | $$ | ared with： <br>  |  |
| READOWN | 1，063 | 2.03 | 2.04 | 2.09 | 2.06 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 91 | ． 92 | ． 94 | ． 96 | 1，865 | 13，490 | 1，288 | ． 755 | ． 027 | ． 218 | －． 01 | －． 07 | －． 04 |
| WRITEMOR | 1，058 | 1.29 | 1.22 | 1.33 | 1.26 | ． 02 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 69 | ． 63 | ． 75 | ． 65 | 1，800 | 1，279 | 1，233 | ． 021 | ． 083 | ． 146 | ． 11 | －． 05 | ． 05 |
| WRITEMID | 1，062 | 2.14 | 2.09 | 2.31 | 2.28 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 80 | ． 77 | ． 83 | ． 85 | 1，866 | 1，264 | 1，294 | ． 144 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 07 | －． 21 | －． 16 |
| WRITESML | 1，064 | 3.11 | 2.93 | 3.07 | 2.92 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.08 | ． 92 | 1.03 | 1.03 | 1，838 | 1，235 | 1，246 | ． 000 | ． 200 | ． 000 | ． 18 | ． 04 | ． 18 |
| PROBSETA | 1，062 | 2.42 | 2.39 | 2.68 | 2.69 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.06 | 1.03 | 1.12 | 1.13 | 1，861 | 1，272 | 1，291 | ． 596 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 02 | －． 23 | －． 24 |
| PROBSETB | 1，062 | 2.96 | 3.00 | 2.83 | 2.78 | ． 04 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.17 | 1.20 | 1.22 | 1.21 | 1，864 | 1，264 | 1，278 | ． 505 | ． 001 | ． 000 | －． 03 | ． 11 | ． 16 |
| EXAMS | 1，061 | 5.31 | 5.25 | 5.38 | 5.40 | ． 04 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.16 | 1.08 | 1.18 | 1.19 | 1，794 | 13，479 | 12，665 | ． 252 | ． 052 | ． 012 | ． 05 | －． 06 | －． 08 |
| ATDART07 | 1，057 | 2.16 | 2.14 | 2.17 | 2.10 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 94 | ． 87 | ． 93 | ． 93 | 1，794 | 13，280 | 12，530 | ． 632 | ． 823 | ． 041 | ． 02 | －． 01 | ． 07 |
| EXRCSE05 | 1，055 | 2.85 | 2.80 | 2.79 | 2.76 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.01 | 1.07 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1，677 | 13，277 | 12，528 | ． 277 | ． 050 | ． 003 | ． 05 | ． 06 | ． 10 |
| WORSHP05 | 1，054 | 1.77 | 1.61 | 2.05 | 2.00 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 99 | ． 89 | 1.10 | 1.09 | 1，802 | 1，289 | 1，299 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 18 | －． 25 | －． 21 |
| OWNVIEW | 1，054 | 2.45 | 2.42 | 2.61 | 2.58 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 91 | ． 92 | ． 90 | ． 91 | 1，856 | 13，249 | 12，512 | ． 495 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 03 | －． 18 | －． 15 |
| OTHRVIEW | 1，053 | 2.65 | 2.66 | 2.81 | 2.77 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 90 | ． 90 | ． 88 | ． 87 | 1，853 | 1，230 | 1，239 | ． 811 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 01 | －． 18 | －． 13 |
| CHNGVIEW | 1，057 | 2.83 | 2.77 | 2.87 | 2.83 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 84 | ． 80 | ． 85 | ． 84 | 1，860 | 13，304 | 12，552 | ． 133 | ． 113 | ． 897 | ． 07 | －． 05 | ． 00 |
| INTERN04 | 1，040 | ． 05 | ． 06 | ． 08 | ． 08 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 22 | ． 25 | ． 27 | ． 26 | 1，584 | 1，335 | 1，344 | ． 155 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 07 | －． 11 | －． 10 |
| VOLNTR04 | 1，040 | ． 32 | ． 27 | ． 40 | ． 34 | ． 01 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 47 | ． 44 | ． 49 | ． 48 | 1，750 | 1，247 | 1，248 | ． 017 | ． 000 | ． 080 | ． 11 | －． 17 | －．06 |
| LRNCOM04 | 1，037 | ． 12 | ． 07 | ． 17 | ． 20 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 32 | ． 26 | ． 38 | ． 40 | 1，814 | 1，300 | 1，352 | ． 002 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 14 | －． 15 | －． 21 |
| RESRCH04 | 1，042 | ． 05 | ． 03 | ． 06 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 21 | ． 18 | ． 23 | ． 22 | 1，825 | 1，263 | 12，307 | ． 068 | ． 199 | ． 569 | ． 08 | －． 04 | －． 02 |
| FORLNG04 | 1，044 | ． 16 | ． 12 | ． 19 | ． 17 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 36 | ． 32 | ． 39 | ． 38 | 1，794 | 1，260 | 1，259 | ． 012 | ． 013 | ． 245 | ． 12 | －． 08 | －． 04 |
| STDABR04 | 1，040 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 17 | ． 13 | ． 18 | ． 17 | 1，823 | 13，005 | 12，281 | ． 027 | ． 632 | ． 699 | ． 10 | －． 02 | ． 01 |
| INDSTD04 | 1，034 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 17 | ． 17 | ． 20 | ． 19 | 1，825 | 1，308 | 1，287 | ． 821 | ． 013 | ． 152 | －． 01 | －． 07 | －． 04 |
| SNRX04 | 1，044 | ． 01 | ． 02 | ． 02 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 12 | ． 15 | ． 15 | ． 15 | 1，487 | 1，336 | 1，371 | ． 195 | ． 043 | ． 024 | －． 06 | －． 05 | －．06 |
| ENVSTU | 1，041 | 5.31 | 5.38 | 5.41 | 5.40 | ． 04 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.44 | 1.40 | 1.39 | 1.38 | 1，834 | 13，049 | 12，284 | ． 276 | ． 023 | ． 031 | －． 05 | －． 07 | －． 07 |
| ENVFAC | 1，039 | 5.07 | 5.16 | 5.16 | 5.11 | ． 04 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.31 | 1.31 | 1.32 | 1.34 | 1，831 | 13，046 | 12，293 | ． 171 | ． 055 | ． 363 | －． 06 | －． 06 | －． 03 |
| ENVADM | 1，042 | 4.50 | 4.73 | 4.67 | 4.62 | ． 05 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.52 | 1.49 | 1.54 | 1.58 | 1，837 | 13，055 | 12，283 | ． 001 | ． 001 | ． 024 | －． 15 | －． 11 | －． 07 |
| ACADPR01 | 1，031 | 3.81 | 3.88 | 4.08 | 4.01 | ． 05 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 02 | 1.53 | 1.49 | 1.60 | 1.62 | 1，820 | 12，934 | 12，164 | ． 358 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 04 | －． 17 | －． 12 |
| WORKON01 | 1，030 | 1.50 | 1.48 | 1.55 | 1.50 | ． 04 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.22 | 1.19 | 1.32 | 1.26 | 1，818 | 1，249 | 12，158 | ． 714 | ． 170 | ． 955 | ． 02 | －． 04 | ． 00 |
| WORKOF01 | 1，027 | 1.95 | 2.07 | 2.37 | 2.61 | ． 06 | ． 07 | ． 02 | ． 02 | 1.84 | 1.88 | 2.23 | 2.32 | 1，680 | 1，303 | 1，347 | ． 152 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 07 | －． 19 | －． 29 |
| COCURR01 | 1，033 | 2.25 | 2.33 | 2.21 | 2.19 | ． 05 | ． 06 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.54 | 1.65 | 1.57 | 1.58 | 1，823 | 12，935 | 12，164 | ． 251 | ． 511 | ． 290 | －． 05 | ． 02 | ． 03 |

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## NSSE 2009 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$ <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania <br> First-Year Students



[^11]A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.
Degrees of freedom used to compute the $t$-tests. Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption.
${ }^{e}$ Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.
Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean, and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation.

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## NSSE 2009 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$ <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania <br> Seniors

|  | N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | $\text { Degrees of Freedom }^{\mathrm{d}}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{e}$ |  |  | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3 | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 炭 } \\ & \stackrel{N}{2} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 3 |  |  |  | 3 |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 若 } \\ & \frac{0}{2} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 㟶 <br> 年 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { IUP } \\ & \text { pared w } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | red with： <br>  |  |
| CLQUEST | 662 | 3.15 | 3.17 | 3.13 | 3.07 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 83 | ． 83 | ． 85 | ． 86 | 1，972 | 21，033 | 14，082 | ． 660 | ． 543 | ． 031 | －． 02 | ． 02 | ． 09 |
| CLPRESEN | 664 | 2.88 | 2.86 | 2.79 | 2.69 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 83 | ． 84 | ． 89 | ． 87 | 1，976 | 713 | 736 | ． 469 | ． 004 | ． 000 | ． 03 | ． 11 | ． 23 |
| REWROPAP | 659 | 2.40 | 2.44 | 2.50 | 2.44 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 94 | 1.00 | ． 99 | ． 99 | 1，382 | 706 | 731 | ． 420 | ． 007 | ． 229 | －． 04 | －． 10 | －． 05 |
| InTEGRAT | 662 | 3.26 | 3.31 | 3.34 | 3.26 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 76 | ． 75 | ． 74 | ． 78 | 1，979 | 21，132 | 14，129 | ． 167 | ． 007 | ． 853 | －． 07 | －． 11 | ． 01 |
| DIVCLASS | 664 | 2.79 | 2.76 | 2.88 | 2.77 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 88 | ． 93 | ． 93 | ． 96 | 1，388 | 21，109 | 742 | ． 476 | ． 014 | ． 652 | ． 03 | －． 10 | ． 02 |
| CLUNPREP | 664 | 2.07 | 2.07 | 2.10 | 2.16 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 76 | ． 81 | ． 81 | ． 78 | 1，978 | 713 | 734 | ． 831 | ． 339 | ． 007 | ． 01 | －． 04 | －． 11 |
| CLASSGRP | 666 | 2.73 | 2.65 | 2.59 | 2.56 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 81 | ． 87 | ． 90 | ． 90 | 1，424 | 719 | 747 | ． 035 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 10 | ． 16 | ． 19 |
| OCCGRP | 666 | 2.74 | 2.71 | 2.74 | 2.72 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 83 | ． 86 | ． 93 | ． 92 | 1，984 | 719 | 748 | ． 413 | ． 818 | ． 488 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 03 |
| INTIDEAS | 644 | 2.95 | 2.92 | 2.93 | 2.93 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 78 | ． 83 | ． 82 | ． 83 | 1，366 | 690 | 716 | ． 497 | ． 520 | ． 576 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 02 |
| TUTOR | 647 | 1.86 | 1.81 | 1.79 | 1.85 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 92 | ． 94 | ． 93 | ． 94 | 1，915 | 20，490 | 13，760 | ． 222 | ． 065 | ． 671 | ． 06 | ． 07 | ． 02 |
| COMMPROJ | 640 | 1.73 | 1.57 | 1.77 | 1.62 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 87 | ． 81 | ． 92 | ． 89 | 1，210 | 20，449 | 13，682 | ． 000 | ． 289 | ． 004 | ． 18 | －． 04 | ． 12 |
| ITACADEM | 645 | 2.79 | 2.81 | 2.89 | 2.84 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 97 | ． 98 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1，914 | 20，517 | 13，739 | ． 557 | ． 007 | ． 218 | －． 03 | －． 11 | －． 05 |
| EMAIL | 647 | 3.50 | 3.50 | 3.43 | 3.38 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 66 | ． 67 | ． 74 | ． 75 | 1，915 | 700 | 731 | ． 924 | ． 004 | ． 000 | ． 00 | ． 10 | ． 17 |
| FACGRADE | 644 | 2.91 | 2.88 | 2.83 | 2.80 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 82 | ． 85 | ． 87 | ． 88 | 1，337 | 691 | 717 | ． 520 | ． 026 | ． 002 | ． 03 | ． 08 | ． 12 |
| FACPLANS | 646 | 2.59 | 2.57 | 2.37 | 2.36 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 90 | ． 96 | ． 97 | ． 96 | 1，373 | 20，490 | 13，744 | ． 632 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 02 | ． 23 | ． 24 |
| FACIDEAS | 646 | 2.09 | 2.15 | 2.07 | 2.07 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 90 | ． 94 | ． 94 | ． 93 | 1，912 | 20，497 | 13，737 | ． 180 | ． 621 | ． 545 | －． 06 | ． 02 | ． 02 |
| FACFEED | 639 | 2.86 | 2.89 | 2.80 | 2.75 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 76 | ． 79 | ． 82 | ． 83 | 1，891 | 688 | 716 | ． 481 | ． 051 | ． 000 | －． 03 | ． 07 | ． 13 |
| WORKHARD | 641 | 2.73 | 2.78 | 2.76 | 2.73 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 87 | ． 84 | ． 86 | ． 86 | 1，894 | 20，247 | 13，577 | ． 172 | ． 346 | ． 989 | －． 07 | －． 04 | ． 00 |
| FACOTHER | 634 | 1.96 | 2.02 | 1.79 | 1.75 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 95 | 1.00 | ． 95 | ． 92 | 1，887 | 675 | 13，552 | ． 207 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 06 | ． 18 | ． 24 |
| OOCIDEAS | 640 | 2.81 | 2.84 | 2.91 | 2.86 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 85 | ． 86 | ． 86 | ． 86 | 1，897 | 20，255 | 13，583 | ． 343 | ． 003 | ． 138 | －． 05 | －． 12 | －． 06 |
| DIVRSTUD | 642 | 2.56 | 2.68 | 2.73 | 2.75 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 97 | ． 98 | ． 99 | ． 99 | 1，900 | 20，245 | 13，623 | ． 011 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 12 | －． 17 | －． 19 |
| DIFFSTU2 | 643 | 2.71 | 2.77 | 2.73 | 2.76 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 96 | ． 94 | ． 97 | ． 96 | 1，901 | 20，252 | 13，615 | ． 198 | ． 521 | ． 176 | －． 06 | －． 03 | －． 05 |
| MEMORIZE | 638 | 2.90 | 2.91 | 2.77 | 2.80 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 92 | ． 92 | 1，892 | 685 | 709 | ． 816 | ． 000 | ． 007 | －． 01 | ． 13 | ． 10 |
| ANALYZE | 635 | 3.24 | 3.19 | 3.25 | 3.27 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 74 | ． 78 | ． 76 | ． 74 | 1，882 | 20，051 | 13，485 | ． 192 | ． 780 | ． 326 | ． 06 | －． 01 | －． 04 |
| SYNTHESZ | 637 | 3.08 | 3.06 | 3.04 | 3.05 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 85 | ． 82 | ． 86 | ． 84 | 1，881 | 20，017 | 13，478 | ． 671 | ． 203 | ． 371 | ． 02 | ． 05 | ． 04 |
| EVALUATE | 639 | 3.00 | 3.08 | 3.01 | 2.99 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 84 | ． 84 | ． 88 | ． 89 | 1，887 | 20，079 | 13，481 | ． 059 | ． 735 | ． 910 | －． 09 | －． 01 | ． 00 |
| APPLYING | 637 | 3.28 | 3.27 | 3.21 | 3.22 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 81 | ． 81 | ． 83 | ． 83 | 1，891 | 20，112 | 13，522 | ． 836 | ． 024 | ． 049 | ． 01 | ． 09 | ． 08 |
| READASGN | 635 | 3.11 | 2.95 | 3.15 | 3.05 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.02 | 1.01 | 1.06 | 1.03 | 1，879 | 680 | 13，455 | ． 001 | ． 327 | ． 145 | ． 16 | －． 04 | ． 06 |

[^12]A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．
${ }^{\mathrm{d}}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t －tests．Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption．
${ }^{\mathrm{e}}$ Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance．
${ }^{\mathrm{f}}$ Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean，and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation．


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## NSSE 2009 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$ <br> Indiana University of Pennsylvania Seniors

|  | N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{c}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | $\text { Significance }{ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\stackrel{3}{3}$ | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 䍖 } \\ & \text { 足 } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 袋 } \\ & \text { N } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 5 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 罢 } \\ & \stackrel{N}{2} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  | IUP compared with： |  |  | IUP <br> compared with： |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 田 } \\ & \text { Nan } \\ & \text { Na } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $$ |  |  |
| SOCIAL05 | 622 | 3.83 | 3.65 | 3.48 | 3.44 | ． 07 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.65 | 1.60 | 1.53 | 1.51 | 1，828 | 657 |  | 674 | ． 028 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 11 | ． 22 | ． 26 |
| CAREDE01 | 622 | 1.89 | 2.06 | 2.65 | 2.59 | ． 07 | ． 06 | ． 02 | ． 02 | 1.82 | 1.96 | 2.44 | 2.37 | 1，821 | 697 | 730 | ． 084 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 09 | －． 31 | －． 29 |
| COMMUTE | 623 | 2.36 | 2.44 | 2.40 | 2.52 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 98 | 1.06 | 1.06 | 1.10 | 1，350 | 672 | 703 | ． 113 | ． 334 | ． 000 | －． 08 | －． 04 | －． 15 |
| ENVSCHOL | 621 | 2.99 | 2.96 | 3.08 | 3.12 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 77 | ． 81 | ． 80 | ． 79 | 1，310 | 665 | 687 | ． 432 | ． 008 | ． 000 | ． 04 | －． 10 | －． 16 |
| ENVSUPRT | 619 | 2.85 | 2.95 | 2.88 | 2.85 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 85 | ． 84 | ． 87 | ． 86 | 1，804 | 19，084 | 12，965 | ． 028 | ． 527 | ． 830 | －． 11 | －． 03 | ． 01 |
| ENVDIVRS | 620 | 2.42 | 2.55 | 2.55 | 2.56 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 96 | ． 99 | 1.00 | 1.01 | 1，813 | 665 | 690 | ． 010 | ． 001 | ． 001 | －． 13 | －． 13 | －． 13 |
| ENVNACAD | 620 | 1.93 | 2.10 | 1.95 | 1.90 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 92 | ． 96 | ． 94 | ． 94 | 1，811 | 19，097 | 12，967 | ． 000 | ． 667 | ． 397 | －． 18 | －． 02 | ． 03 |
| ENVSOCAL | 619 | 2.26 | 2.37 | 2.17 | 2.13 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 91 | ． 90 | ． 94 | ． 93 | 1，810 | 19，040 | 12，911 | ． 021 | ． 012 | ． 000 | －． 11 | ． 10 | ． 15 |
| ENVEVENT | 620 | 2.59 | 2.79 | 2.55 | 2.54 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 93 | ． 90 | ． 97 | ． 95 | 1，219 | 664 | 12，944 | ． 000 | ． 267 | ． 174 | －． 22 | ． 04 | ． 06 |
| ENVCOMPT | 621 | 3.40 | 3.42 | 3.47 | 3.49 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 79 | ． 74 | ． 75 | ． 74 | 1，815 | 19，117 | 676 | ． 639 | ． 039 | ． 010 | －． 02 | －． 08 | －． 11 |
| GNGENLED | 611 | 3.22 | 3.22 | 3.22 | 3.17 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 77 | ． 80 | ． 82 | ． 82 | 1，781 | 657 | 12，837 | ． 990 | ． 831 | ． 112 | ． 00 | ． 01 | ． 07 |
| GNWORK | 611 | 3.12 | 3.14 | 3.05 | 3.05 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 89 | ． 89 | ． 92 | ． 93 | 1，777 | 18，881 | 12，866 | ． 779 | ． 052 | ． 048 | －． 01 | ． 08 | ． 08 |
| GNWRITE | 608 | 3.14 | 3.05 | 3.08 | 3.01 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 79 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 88 | 1，776 | 657 | 12，846 | ． 040 | ． 079 | ． 000 | ． 10 | ． 07 | ． 15 |
| GNSPEAK | 612 | 3.00 | 3.04 | 2.96 | 2.91 | ． 04 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 87 | ． 85 | ． 92 | ． 91 | 1，779 | 656 | 679 | ． 396 | ． 322 | ． 017 | －． 04 | ． 04 | ． 10 |
| GNANALY | 609 | 3.34 | 3.25 | 3.32 | 3.29 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 72 | ． 79 | ． 78 | ． 79 | 1，340 | 657 | 684 | ． 020 | ． 434 | ． 105 | ． 11 | ． 03 | ． 06 |
| GNQUANT | 607 | 2.98 | 2.95 | 3.04 | 3.05 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 87 | ． 88 | ． 90 | ． 89 | 1，770 | 651 | 12，798 | ． 507 | ． 095 | ． 065 | ． 03 | －． 07 | －． 08 |
| GNCMPTS | 611 | 3.18 | 3.23 | 3.21 | 3.23 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 82 | ． 84 | ． 86 | ． 86 | 1，781 | 656 | 678 | ． 238 | ． 450 | ． 132 | －． 06 | －． 03 | －． 06 |
| GNOTHERS | 611 | 3.17 | 3.18 | 3.16 | 3.10 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 78 | ． 83 | ． 86 | ． 88 | 1，294 | 660 | 689 | ． 652 | ． 765 | ． 032 | －． 02 | ． 01 | ． 08 |
| GNCITIZN | 609 | 2.35 | 2.31 | 2.29 | 2.24 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.08 | 1.07 | 1.08 | 1.09 | 1，766 | 18，656 | 12，739 | ． 538 | ． 240 | ． 019 | ． 03 | ． 05 | ． 10 |
| GNINQ | 605 | 3.00 | 3.04 | 3.02 | 2.98 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 87 | ． 89 | ． 89 | ． 91 | 1，250 | 647 | 673 | ． 280 | ． 536 | ． 608 | －． 05 | －． 03 | ． 02 |
| GNSELF | 605 | 2.83 | 2.87 | 2.77 | 2.68 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 97 | 1.00 | 1.01 | 1.02 | 1，755 | 648 | 672 | ． 440 | ． 156 | ． 000 | －． 04 | ． 06 | ． 15 |
| GNDIVERS | 606 | 2.62 | 2.64 | 2.68 | 2.64 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 97 | 1.01 | ． 99 | ． 99 | 1，764 | 18，642 | 12，707 | ． 631 | ． 148 | ． 544 | －． 02 | －． 06 | －． 03 |
| GNPROBSV | 609 | 2.68 | 2.75 | 2.78 | 2.73 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 95 | ． 96 | ． 95 | ． 96 | 1，767 | 18，668 | 12，743 | ． 126 | ． 013 | ． 182 | －． 08 | －． 10 | －． 06 |
| GNETHICS | 607 | 2.71 | 2.73 | 2.68 | 2.56 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1.04 | 1.05 | 1，763 | 18，656 | 671 | ． 694 | ． 480 | ． 001 | －． 02 | ． 03 | ． 14 |
| GNCOMMUN | 609 | 2.40 | 2.40 | 2.47 | 2.33 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 96 | 1.02 | 1.02 | 1.02 | 1，305 | 655 | 678 | ． 937 | ． 117 | ． 060 | ． 00 | －． 06 | ． 07 |
| GNSPIRIT | 607 | 1.86 | 1.85 | 1.93 | 1.76 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 1.02 | 1.06 | 1.08 | 1.02 | 1，763 | 653 | 12，719 | ． 850 | ． 118 | ． 018 | ． 01 | －． 06 | ． 10 |
| ADVISE | 617 | 2.83 | 2.94 | 2.82 | 2.77 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 92 | ． 90 | ． 96 | ． 97 | 1，791 | 662 | 687 | ． 010 | ． 823 | ． 137 | －． 13 | ． 01 | ． 06 |
| ENTIREXP | 616 | 3.13 | 3.15 | 3.15 | 3.11 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 70 | ． 72 | ． 76 | ． 76 | 1，787 | 664 | 690 | ． 514 | ． 415 | ． 433 | －． 03 | －． 03 | ． 03 |
| SAMECOLL | 617 | 3.08 | 3.08 | 3.13 | 3.09 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 88 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 87 | 1，791 | 18，908 | 12，885 | ． 935 | ． 121 | ． 794 | ． 00 | －． 06 | －． 01 |

[^14]A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．
Degrees of freedom used to compute the $t$－tests．Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption．
${ }^{e}$ Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance．
Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean，and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation．

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NSSE 2009 Mean Comparisons ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Indiana University of Pennsylvania

| IUP | IUP compared with |
| :---: | :---: |
| PASSHE |  |


| Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Consortium Questions |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Refer to the PASSHE consortium codebook for response option values. | Variable | Class | Mean | Mean | $S i g^{\text {b }}$ | Effect size ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
| 1. In the current school year, about how often have you: |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Used a web-based course management system to access the course syllabus, | PAS0901A | FY | 3.26 | 3.31 |  | -. 07 |
| notes or assignments |  | SR | 3.21 | 3.28 |  | -. 08 |
| 1b. Taken a course that was offered on-line | PAS0901B | FY | 1.42 | 1.56 | *** | -. 17 |
|  |  | SR | 1.96 | 1.90 |  | . 05 |
| Participated in a research project supervised by a faculty member | PAS0901C | FY | 1.58 | 1.71 | ** | -. 16 |
|  |  | SR | 1.76 | 1.82 |  | -. 06 |
| Attended a university athletic event | PAS0901D | FY | 2.09 | 2.34 | *** | -. 25 |
|  |  | SR | 1.85 | 1.95 | * | -. 10 |
| Participated in a community-based project (e.g., service learning) as part of an organized university or student government project (not through a course) | PAS0901E | FY | 1.63 | 1.68 |  | -. 05 |
|  |  | SR | 1.79 | 1.74 |  | . 05 |
| Had meaningful conversations with a faculty member or administrator of a different race or ethnicity than your own | PAS0901F | FY | 1.87 | 1.95 |  | -. 08 |
|  |  | SR | 2.08 | 2.23 | ** | -. 15 |
| Had a conversation regarding personal and academic ethics with a faculty member or residence hall staff | PAS0901G | FY | 1.89 | 2.00 | * | -. 12 |
|  |  | SR | 2.04 | 2.13 |  | -. 09 |
| Had meaningful conversations with a person with a disability | PAS0901H | FY | 1.72 | 1.92 | *** | -. 24 |
|  |  | SR | 2.02 | 2.05 |  | -. 03 |
| Asked a librarian or library staff member for assistance | PAS0901I | FY | 1.79 | 1.98 | *** | -. 23 |
|  |  | SR | 1.95 | 2.01 |  | -. 07 |
| Discussed your learning style with your adviser or staff member | PAS0901J | FY | 1.87 | 1.92 |  | -. 06 |
|  |  | SR | 1.88 | 1.98 | * | -. 11 |

[^15]${ }^{\text {c. }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled s.d.

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NSSE 2009 Mean Comparisons ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Indiana University of Pennsylvania

IUP
IUP compared with
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## Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Consortium Questions

|  |  | Variable | Class | Mean | Mean | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect size ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1k. | Discussed selection of academic majors, minors, or academic concentrations | PAS0901K | FY | 2.18 | 2.36 | *** | -. 21 |
|  | with a faculty or staff member |  | SR | 2.14 | 2.26 | ** | -. 13 |
| 11. | Discussed career-related topics such as internships, resumes, and references with a faculty or staff member | PAS0901L | FY | 2.01 | 2.02 |  | -. 02 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.66 | 2.66 |  | . 00 |
| 1 m . | Discussed your career plans with a faculty or staff member | PAS0901M | FY | 2.14 | 2.19 |  | -. 05 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.62 | 2.63 |  | -. 01 |

2. During the current school year, how many times have you had:

| 2a. Assignments based on the work of minority author(s) | PAS0902A | FY |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 2b. Assignments that addressed issues in countries other than the United States | PAS0902B | FY |


| 2.09 | 2.09 |  | .00 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2.11 | 1.94 | $* * *$ | .18 |
| 2.27 | 2.06 | $* * *$ | .25 |
| 2.25 | 2.06 | $* * *$ | .19 |

3. As a student at your current institution, how often have you:

| 3 a . | Changed your major | PAS0903A | FY | 1.32 | 1.27 |  | . 08 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | SR | 1.64 | 1.51 | ** | . 18 |
| 3 b . | Changed graduation plans because courses were not available when needed | PAS0903B | FY | 1.11 | 1.10 |  | . 02 |
|  |  |  | SR | 1.63 | 1.52 | * | . 13 |

4. To what extent does your institution emphasize:

| 4 a. | A safe environment for students by providing features and services (lighting, emergency phones, escorts, adequate police patrols, etc.) that enhance safety | PAS0904A | FY | 3.10 | 3.23 | ** | -. 15 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.98 | 2.98 |  | . 00 |
| 4 b . | A residential experience that facilitates adjustment to college | PAS0904B | FY | 2.84 | 3.01 | *** | -. 18 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.65 | 2.78 | * | -. 14 |
| 4c. | Diverse perspectives and global citizenship | PAS0904C | FY | 2.78 | 2.82 |  | -. 04 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.58 | 2.57 |  | . 01 |

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Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education Indiana University of Pennsylvania

First－Year Students

| N | Mean | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Standard deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | DF ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Sig．${ }^{\text {e }}$ | Effect size |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

Seniors

| N | Mean | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Standard deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | DF ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | Sig．${ }^{\text {e }}$ | Effect size |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |


|  | IUP compared with PASSHE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | IUP compared with PASSHE |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | O | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 䍔 } \\ & \frac{\mathbf{d}}{2} \end{aligned}$ | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 鬹 } \\ & \text { 2 } \end{aligned}$ | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 䍔 } \\ & \stackrel{W}{2} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r}\text { 䍔 } \\ \text { 2 } \\ \hline\end{array}$ |  |  | 3 | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 罢 } \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{2} \end{aligned}$ | 3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 䍔 } \\ & \text { 垔 } \end{aligned}$ | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 罟 } \\ & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{2} \end{aligned}$ | 罢 |  |  |
| PAS0901A | 939 | 3.26 | 3.31 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 82 | ． 83 | 1618 | ． 194 | －． 07 | 582 | 3.21 | 3.28 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 84 | ． 83 | 1654 | ． 103 | －． 08 |
| PAS0901B | 933 | 1.42 | 1.56 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 83 | ． 90 | 1404 | ． 001 | －． 17 | 581 | 1.96 | 1.90 | ． 04 | ． 03 | 1.04 | 1.09 | 1239 | ． 299 | ． 05 |
| PAS0901C | 927 | 1.58 | 1.71 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 84 | ． 88 | 1605 | ． 002 | －． 16 | 580 | 1.76 | 1.82 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 98 | 1.01 | 1645 | ． 257 | －． 06 |
| PAS0901D | 936 | 2.09 | 2.34 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 98 | ． 99 | 1450 | ． 000 | －． 25 | 582 | 1.85 | 1.95 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 90 | 1.05 | 1353 | ． 041 | －． 10 |
| PAS0901E | 931 | 1.63 | 1.68 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 92 | ． 90 | 1611 | ． 279 | －． 05 | 581 | 1.79 | 1.74 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 95 | ． 96 | 1648 | ． 315 | ． 05 |
| PAS0901F | 936 | 1.87 | 1.95 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 93 | ． 96 | 1618 | ． 117 | －． 08 | 579 | 2.08 | 2.23 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 96 | 1.03 | 1256 | ． 003 | －． 15 |
| PAS0901G | 936 | 1.89 | 2.00 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 94 | ． 99 | 1616 | ． 020 | －． 12 | 582 | 2.04 | 2.13 | ． 04 | ． 03 | 1.00 | 1.05 | 1248 | ． 085 | －． 09 |
| PAS0901H | 928 | 1.72 | 1.92 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 85 | ． 93 | 1599 | ． 000 | －． 24 | 575 | 2.02 | 2.05 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 88 | ． 93 | 1232 | ． 527 | －． 03 |
| PAS0901I | 929 | 1.79 | 1.98 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 82 | ． 80 | 1470 | ． 000 | －． 23 | 576 | 1.95 | 2.01 | ． 03 | ． 02 | ． 81 | ． 80 | 1170 | ． 206 | －． 07 |
| PAS0901J | 925 | 1.87 | 1.92 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 89 | ． 89 | 1588 | ． 269 | －． 06 | 574 | 1.88 | 1.98 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 87 | ． 93 | 1635 | ． 037 | －． 11 |
| PAS0901K | 923 | 2.18 | 2.36 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 86 | ． 89 | 1415 | ． 000 | －． 21 | 574 | 2.14 | 2.26 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 91 | ． 97 | 1244 | ． 009 | －． 13 |
| PAS0901L | 926 | 2.01 | 2.02 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 93 | ． 91 | 1596 | ． 745 | －． 02 | 574 | 2.66 | 2.66 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 91 | ． 99 | 1266 | ． 953 | ． 00 |
| PAS0901M | 927 | 2.14 | 2.19 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 94 | ． 91 | 1598 | ． 299 | －． 05 | 576 | 2.62 | 2.63 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 95 | ． 99 | 1639 | ． 796 | －． 01 |
| PAS0902A | 901 | 2.09 | 2.09 | ． 02 | ． 03 | ． 73 | ． 81 | 1327 | ． 997 | ． 00 | 552 | 2.11 | 1.94 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 90 | ． 87 | 1591 | ． 000 | ． 18 |
| PAS0902B | 922 | 2.27 | 2.06 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 87 | ． 85 | 1455 | ． 000 | ． 25 | 570 | 2.25 | 2.06 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 98 | ． 96 | 1148 | ． 000 | ． 19 |
| PAS0903A | 856 | 1.32 | 1.27 | ． 02 | ． 02 | ． 59 | ． 51 | 1437 | ． 108 | ． 08 | 550 | 1.64 | 1.51 | ． 04 | ． 02 | ． 85 | ． 72 | 982 | ． 002 | ． 18 |
| PAS0903B | 908 | 1.11 | 1.10 | ． 01 | ． 02 | ． 40 | ． 39 | 1558 | ． 712 | ． 02 | 571 | 1.63 | 1.52 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 91 | ． 84 | 1086 | ． 011 | ． 13 |
| PAS0904A | 905 | 3.10 | 3.23 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 89 | ． 81 | 1566 | ． 003 | －． 15 | 562 | 2.98 | 2.98 | ． 03 | ． 03 | ． 80 | ． 88 | 1237 | ． 997 | ． 00 |
| PAS0904B | 857 | 2.84 | 3.01 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 93 | ． 88 | 1377 | ． 000 | －． 18 | 465 | 2.65 | 2.78 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 94 | ． 96 | 1304 | ． 018 | －． 14 |
| PAS0904C | 868 | 2.78 | 2.82 | ． 03 | ． 04 | ． 98 | ． 92 | 1434 | ． 472 | －． 04 | 532 | 2.58 | 2.57 | ． 04 | ． 03 | ． 96 | ． 99 | 1508 | ． 835 | ． 01 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | IPE | 3020 |

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Multi-Year Benchmark Report August 2009

# Interpreting the Multi-Year Benchmark Report 

For institutions that have participated in multiple NSSE administrations, this Multi-Year Benchmark Report presents comparable benchmark scores by year so that patterns of change or stability may be discernible. It also provides statistics such as number of respondents, standard deviation, and standard error so that shorthand mean comparison tests can be calculated.

Questions that might be answered with this report include, "How stable was the level of student-faculty interaction over the years?" or "Given the implementation of initiative X three years ago, did the level of active and collaborative learning increase?"

This report has three main parts: (a) a table of data quality indicators (p.3), which provides a quick reference to important statistics for each year's participation, (b) multi-year charts, and (c) detailed statistics. Key terms and features of (b) and (c) are described below using data from the fictional "NSSEville State University."

For more information and recommendations for analyzing past and present NSSE data for trends or stability, consult the Multi-Year Data Analysis Guide: www.nsse.iub.edu/pdf/NSSE Multi-Year Data Analysis Guide.pdf.

## Key Terms and Features in this Report

| Y-Axis |
| :--- |
| Benchmarks are computed on |
| a 0 to 100 scale, however |
| nearly all institutional scores |
| are between the y-axis values |
| of 15 and 85 . |

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Some NSSE administrations at an institution may yield more precise population estimates than others. The values in this table were drawn from the Respondent Characteristics reports for each NSSE administration. An important early step in conducting a multi-year analysis is to review the quality of your data for both first-year and senior respondents in each year.

| Year ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mode ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Response Rate ${ }^{c}$ |  | Sampling <br> Error ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  | Number of Respondents ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR |
| 2004 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2005 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2006 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2007 | Web+ | 19\% | 21\% | 5.3\% | 4.5\% | 314 | 378 |
| 2008 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2009 | Web | 35\% | 39\% | 2.4\% | 3.0\% | 1,141 | 667 |

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## First-Year Students

## Level of Academic Challenge (LAC)



Student-Faculty Interaction (SFI)


Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL)


Enriching Educational Experiences (EEE)


Supportive Campus Environment (SCE)


Notes:

- Benchmark scores are charted for all years of participation. See page 5 for detailed statistics.
- For more information and recommendations for analyzing multi-year NSSE data, consult the MultiYear Data Analysis Guide: www.nsse.iub.edu/pdf/NSSE Multi-Year Data Analysis Guide.pdf.


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## Seniors

## Level of Academic Challenge (LAC)



Student-Faculty Interaction (SFI)


Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL)


Enriching Educational Experiences (EEE)


Supportive Campus Environment (SCE)


Notes:

- Benchmark scores are charted for all years of participation. See page 7 for detailed statistics.
- For more information and recommendations for analyzing multi-year NSSE data, consult the MultiYear Data Analysis Guide: www.nsse.iub.edu/pdf/NSSE Multi-Year Data Analysis Guide.pdf.


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Respondent Characteristics
August 2009

|  | IUP |  | PASSHE |  | Carnegie Class |  | Selected Peers |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR |
| Response Rate ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overall | 36\% |  | 30\% |  | 29\% |  | 26\% |  |
| By class | 35\% | 39\% | 27\% | 33\% | 25\% | 32\% | 23\% | 29\% |
| NSSE sample size ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 3,271 | 1,727 | 3,195 | 3,430 | 39,885 | 42,632 | 23,464 | 21,121 |
| Sampling Error ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overall | 1.9\% |  | 1.8\% |  | 0.6\% |  | 0.8\% |  |
| By class | 2.4\% | 3.0\% | 2.9\% | 2.4\% | 0.9\% | 0.7\% | 1.3\% | 1.1\% |
| Number of respondents ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 1,141 | 667 | 852 | 1,124 | 10,129 | 13,448 | 5,382 | 6,093 |
| Total population | 3,916 | 1,727 | 3,195 | 3,433 | 47,077 | 53,405 | 43,772 | 35,117 |
| Student Characteristics ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mode of Completion |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paper | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% |
| Web | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 98\% | 99\% | 98\% | 98\% |
| Enrollment Status ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full-time | 97\% | 93\% | 98\% | 94\% | 93\% | 78\% | 94\% | 81\% |
| Less than full-time | 3\% | 7\% | 2\% | 6\% | 7\% | 22\% | 6\% | 19\% |
| Gender ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 66\% | 64\% | 68\% | 65\% | 66\% | 65\% | 58\% | 57\% |
| Male | 34\% | 36\% | 32\% | 35\% | 34\% | 35\% | 42\% | 43\% |
| Race/Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Am. Indian/Native American | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% |
| Asian/Asian Am./Pacific Isl. | 3\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 5\% | 4\% | 7\% | 5\% |
| Black/African American | 6\% | 4\% | 5\% | 4\% | 12\% | 11\% | 10\% | 10\% |
| White (non-Hispanic) | 82\% | 83\% | 87\% | 83\% | 66\% | 68\% | 69\% | 72\% |
| Mexican/Mexican American | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Puerto Rican | 1\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% |
| Other Hispanic or Latino | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Multiracial | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 3\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% |
| Other | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| I prefer not to respond | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 6\% | 5\% | 6\% | 6\% | 7\% |
| International Student | 5\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 4\% |
| Place of Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| On-campus ${ }^{\text {f }}$ | 74\% | 7\% | 77\% | 19\% | 62\% | 12\% | 56\% | 11\% |
| Transfer Status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transfer students | 9\% | 25\% | 5\% | 37\% | 11\% | 51\% | 12\% | 45\% |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-traditional (24 or older) | 3\% | 22\% | 2\% | 17\% | 9\% | 43\% | 7\% | 39\% |
| Traditional (less than 24) | 97\% | 78\% | 98\% | 83\% | 91\% | 57\% | 93\% | 61\% |

a Response rate (number of respondents divided by sample size) is adjusted for non-deliverable mailing addresses, students for whom contact information was not available, and other students who were sampled yet unavailable during the survey administration.
${ }^{\text {b }}$ This report is based on information from all randomly selected students for both your institution and your comparison institutions. Targeted and locally administered oversamples (i.e., non-randomly selected students) are not included in this report.
c Sampling error is an estimate of the margin by which the true score for your institution on a given item could differ from the reported score. To interpret the sampling error, assume that $60 \%$ of your students reply "very often" to a particular item. If the sampling error is $+/-5 \%$, then the true population value is most likely between $55 \%$ and $65 \%$.
${ }^{d}$ Percent of total respondents within each category. These results are not weighted.
${ }^{e}$ Institution-reported data. This information was used to weight your Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.
${ }^{\text {f }}$ Students who identified their residence as "dormitory or other campus housing" or "fraternity or sorority house."

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Selected Comparison Groups August 2009

# Reviewing Your NSSE 2009 Selected Comparison Groups Report 

NSSE participants are able to customize their Institutional Reports by tailoring up to three comparison groups. In May and June of 2009, your institution was invited to select comparison groups via the "Report Form" on the Institution Interface. This Selected Comparison Groups Report summarizes how your institution selected its comparison groups and lists the institutions within them.

NSSE reports display results for each institution alongside three comparison group columns. Institutions have the option to customize each column or select a recommended default group of institutions. NSSE comparison groups may be customized in several ways. Contacts may identify specific institutions from the list of all current-year NSSE participants, create the list using institutional criteria, or begin with institutional criteria, then add or remove specific institutions to refine the comparison group.

If an institution does not select a customized comparison group, NSSE provides default comparison groups which we have found to provide relevant comparisons for most institutions. If your institution opted for any of the default groups, they are:

Comparison Group 1 - For institutions not participating in a NSSE consortium, this group contains current-year NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (private/public). For consortium institutions, this groups contains results for the other consortium members.

Comparison Group 2 - All other current-year U.S. NSSE institutions sharing your institution's Basic Carnegie Classification.
Comparison Group 3 - All other current-year U.S. NSSE institutions (Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

The terms "comp. group 1," "comp. group 2," and "comp. group 3" correspond to the selected comparison group locations in the institutional reports. In NSSEville's example below, comp. group 1 is "Mid East Public", comp. group 2 "Carnegie Class" and comp. group 3 "NSSE 2009".

|  | Your Institution's Responses |  |  |  | Comp. Group 1 or Consortium |  |  | Comp. <br> Group 2 |  |  | Comp. Group 3 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Variable |  | Class | NSSEville State | Mid East Public |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | NSSE 2009 |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | Mean * | Mean * | Sig |  | mean | , |  | Mean | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ |
| 1. Academic and Intellectual Experiences |  |  |  | In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following? $1=$ Never, $2=$ Sometimes, $3=$ Often, $4=$ Very often |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a. Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions | CLQUEST | ACL | FY | 2.94 | 2.61 | *** | . 40 | 2.64 | *** | . 35 | 2.78 | *** | . 18 |
|  |  |  |  | 3.25 | 2.90 | *** | . 39 | 2.91 | *** | . 39 | 3.07 | *** | . 21 |
| Made a class presentation | CLPRESEN | ACL | FY | 2.22 | 2.11 | ** | . 14 | 2.14 | * | . 10 | 2.27 |  | -. 07 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.11 | 2.65 | *** | . 54 | 2.65 | *** | . 54 | 2.80 | *** | . 36 |

The Selected Comparison Groups report consists of a summary page that details when and how your comparison groups were selected (or if you received the default due to not completing the Report Form) and three sections that provide comparison group details for each of the three report columns.

| Comp. Group Name Comparison group name in your reports. | Comparison Group 1 Details |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | This rep ort displays the 2009 comp arison group 1 institutions for NSSEville State University. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Mid East Public' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comp arisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comp arisons reports. |  |  |
|  | Your institution did not identify a comparison group 1. T (public/private). | cludes all ins | nd sector |
|  | SELECTED PEER GROUP CRITERIA ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |
|  | Basic 2005 Carnegie |  |  |
|  | Carnegie - Undergraduate Instruct |  |  |
|  | Carnegie - Graduate Instruct |  |  |
|  | Carnegie - Enro |  |  |
|  | Carnegie - Underg |  |  |
| Institution Names | Carnegie - Size and Setting(s): |  |  |
| The name, city and state of the |  |  |  |
|  | Undergraduate enrollment(s):Locale(s): |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |
| comparison | Geographic Region(s): 2 |  |  |
| institutions are |  |  |  |
| listed for your | COMPARISON GROUP 1 INSTITUTIONS |  |  |
| review. |  |  |  |
|  | Institution Name | City | State |
|  | Binghamton University (State University of New York) | Binghamton | NY |
|  | Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania Cheyney University of Pennsylvania | Bloomsburg Cheyney | PA PA |

How Group was Selected Indicates whether your group was drawn from a list, built based on criteria, or is the default group.

## Selection Criteria

If criteria were used to build your comparison group, they are listed here. The criterion codes are explained on the Comparison Group Selection Criteria Codelist.

## SUMMARY - Comparison Group Selection

This page provides an overview of how your three NSSE 2009 comparison groups were selected. These groups were either (a) submitted by your institution through the Report Form located on the NSSE Institution Interface or (b) defaults assigned because your institution did not complete the Report Form. Included below are the date the groups were submitted, the method used to pick them, the column labels your institutional contact provided for each group, the number of institutions in each group, and a short description of the group written by the contact at the time of submission. The following pages list the institutions selected for each comparison group.

## COMPARISON GROUP 1 SELECTION

| Date Submitted: | $5 / 27 / 09$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Selection Method: | This group is your NSSE 2009 consortium. |
| Column Label: | PASSHE |
| Number of Institutions: | 2 |
| The Reason Your |  |
| Institution Provided For |  |
| Choosing This Group: |  |

## COMPARISON GROUP 2 SELECTION

Date Submitted:
Selection Method:
Column Label:
Number of Institutions:
Cannegie Class
30

The Reason Your
Institution Provided For
Choosing This Group:

## COMPARISON GROUP 3 SELECTION

Date Submitted:
Selection Method:

## Column Label:

Number of Institutions:
The Reason Your Institution Provided For Choosing This Group:

5/27/09
Comparators for this column were picked from a list of NSSE2009 participants.
Selected Peers
15
The selected institutions were based on IUP's Primary Peers, National Cluster Peers, and PA Public Peers.

## Comparison Group 1 Details

This report displays the 2009 comparison group 1 institutions for Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'PASSHE' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

## HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Your institution participated in the NSSE consortium 'Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education' in 2009.

## SELECTED PEER GROUP CRITERIA ${ }^{\text {a }}$

> Basic 2005 Carnegie Classification(s):
> Carnegie - Undergraduate Instructional Program(s):
> Carnegie - Graduate Instructional Program(s):
> Carnegie - Enrollment Profile(s):
> Carnegie - Undergraduate Profile(s):
> Carnegie - Size and Setting(s):
> Sector(s) (public/private):
> Undergraduate enrollment(s):
> Locale(s):
> Geographic Region(s):
> State(s):
> Barron's admissions selectivity ratings(s):

## COMPARISON GROUP 1 INSTITUTIONS

| Institution Name | City | State |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| California University of Pennsylvania | California | PA |
| Kutztown University of Pennsylvania | Kutztown | PA |

## Comparison Group 2 Details

This report displays the 2009 comparison group 2 institutions for Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Carnegie Class' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

## HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

Your institution selected the default group of all institutions with the same 2005 Basic Carnegie Classification.

## SELECTED COMPARISON GROUP CRITERIA ${ }^{\text {a }}$

Basic 2005 Carnegie Classification(s): 17
Carnegie - Undergraduate Instructional Program(s):
Carnegie - Graduate Instructional Program(s):
Carnegie - Enrollment Profile(s):
Carnegie - Undergraduate Profile(s):
Carnegie - Size and Setting(s):
Sector(s) (public/private):
Undergraduate enrollment(s):
Locale(s):
Geographic Region(s):
State(s):
Barron's admissions selectivity ratings(s):

## COMPARISON GROUP 2 INSTITUTIONS

| Institution Name | City | State |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Andrews University | Berrien Springs | MI |
| Ball State University | Muncie | IN |
| Capella University | Minneapolis | MN |
| Central Michigan University | Mount Pleasant | MI |
| Cleveland State University | Cleveland | OH |
| DePaul University | Chicago | IL |
| East Carolina University | Greenville | NC |
| East Tennessee State University | Johnson City | TN |
| Immaculata University | Immaculata | PA |
| Long Island University-C.W. Post Campus | Brookville | NY |
| Louisiana Tech University | Ruston | LA |
| Nova Southeastern University | Fort Lauderdale | FL |
| Oakland University | Rochester Hills | MI |
| Oral Roberts University | Tulsa | OK |
| Pace University | New York | NY |
| Pepperdine University | Malibu | CA |

## COMPARISON GROUP 2 INSTITUTIONS

| Institution Name | City | State |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Portland State University | Portland | OR |
| Regent University | Virginia Beach | VA |
| Seton Hall University | South Orange | NJ |
| Southern Methodist University | Dallas | TX |
| Tennessee State University | Nashville | TN |
| Texas A\&M University - Commerce | Commerce | TX |
| Texas A\&M University - Kingsville | Kingsville | TX |
| The University of West Florida | Pensacola | FL |
| Trevecca Nazarene University | Nashville | TN |
| University of Arkansas at Little Rock | Little Rock | AR |
| University of Hartford | West Hartford | CT |
| University of North Carolina at Charlotte | Charlotte | NC |
| Widener University | Chester | PA |
| Worcester Polytechnic Institute | Worcester | MA |

## Comparison Group 3 Details

This report displays the 2009 comparison group 3 institutions for Indiana University of Pennsylvania. The institutions listed below are represented in the 'Selected Peers' column of the Respondent Characteristics, Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

## HOW GROUP WAS SELECTED

You selected specific institutions from a list of NSSE 2009 participants.

## SELECTED COMPARISON GROUP CRITERIA ${ }^{\text {a }}$

Basic 2005 Carnegie Classification(s):
Carnegie - Undergraduate Instructional Program(s):
Carnegie - Graduate Instructional Program(s):
Carnegie - Enrollment Profile(s):
Carnegie - Undergraduate Profile(s):
Carnegie - Size and Setting(s):
Sector(s) (public/private):
Undergraduate enrollment(s):
Locale(s):
Geographic Region(s):
State(s):
Barron's admissions selectivity ratings(s):

## COMPARISON GROUP 3 INSTITUTIONS

| Institution Name | City | State |
| :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Bowling Green State University | Bowling Green | OH |
| Lincoln University of Pennsylvania | Lincoln University | PA |
| Louisiana Tech University | Ruston | LA |
| Michigan Technological University | Houghton | MI |
| Middle Tennessee State University | Murfreesboro | TN |
| Pennsylvania State University - Hazleton | Hazleton | PA |
| Temple University | Philadelphia | PA |
| The University of Akron | Akron | OH |
| The University of Texas at Arlington | Arlington | TX |
| University of Arkansas at Little Rock | Little Rock | AR |
| University of Maryland, Baltimore County | Baltimore | MD |
| University of Pittsburgh-Bradford | Bradford | PA |
| University of Pittsburgh-Johnstown | Johnstown | PA |
| University of Toledo | Toledo | OH |
| Wright State University | Dayton | OH |



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## NSSE 2009 Overview

The National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) collects information annually from samples of first-year and senior students about the nature and quality of their undergraduate experience. Since its inception, nearly 1,400 baccalaureate-granting colleges and universities in the US and Canada have used NSSE to measure the extent to which students engage in effective educational practices that are empirically linked with learning, personal development, and other desired outcomes such as student satisfaction, persistence, and graduation. NSSE data are used by faculty, administrators, researchers, and others for institutional improvement, accountability, and related purposes. Launched by a generous grant from The Pew Charitable Trusts, since 2002 the NSSE project has been supported by institutional participation fees.

About 1.1 million first-year and senior students from 640 institutions in the US and Canada were invited to participate in the 2009 NSSE administration. Of this survey population, 367,318 students responded, including 8,965 students from Canadian institutions. A list of all participating institutions is available on the NSSE Web site at: www.nsse.iub.edu/nsse_2009/2009-colleges.cfm.

The trend of more institutions electing Web-based administrations continued in 2009 as 418 institutions ( $65 \%$ ) opted for the Web-only administration mode, in which students received all contacts by e-mail and completed the survey online. The Web+ survey option was used by 180 institutions ( $28 \%$ ). This mode includes multiple e-mail contacts and one paper questionnaire sent to a portion of nonrespondents. The remaining 42 institutions ( $7 \%$ ) chose the paper questionnaire mode. Notably, more than half of all respondents at paper administration institutions elected to complete the survey online rather than complete and return the paper instrument. Overall, about $98 \%$ of all NSSE 2009 respondents completed the survey online.

## U.S. Institutions and Respondents

Table 1 shows how NSSE 2009 institutional characteristics compare with the profile of all baccalaureate-granting colleges and universities in the United States. Comparative data for these tables are from the U.S. Department of Education's Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS). The Far West region is slightly underrepresented in NSSE 2009, while the Southeast region is slightly overrepresented. Although NSSE 2009 institutions are generally representative of the distribution of institutional types in the 2005 Basic Carnegie Classification, Master's Colleges and Universities with larger programs and Research Universities with high research activity are somewhat overrepresented, and Baccalaureate Colleges-Diverse Fields and Baccalaureate Colleges-Arts \& Sciences are slightly underrepresented. In all, the NSSE 2009 participating institutions reflect the diversity of U.S. higher education with respect to institutional type, sector, region, and location.


University of Akron

Table 1
Profile of U.S. NSSE 2009 Institutions and Respondents Against All U.S. Baccalaureate-Granting Institutions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ and their Students ${ }^{\text {a }}$

|  | Institution-Level |  | Student-Level |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NSSE | US ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | NSSE | US ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| Carnegie Classification - Basic 2005 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  |  |
| RU/VH | 5\% | 6\% | 15\% | 21\% |
| RU/H | 10\% | 7\% | 18\% | 17\% |
| DRU | 6\% | 5\% | 8\% | 8\% |
| Master's L | 25\% | 22\% | 29\% | 28\% |
| Master's M | 12\% | 12\% | 9\% | 8\% |
| Master's S | 7\% | 8\% | 4\% | 4\% |
| Bac/A\&S | 16\% | 18\% | 9\% | 7\% |
| Bac/Diverse | 19\% | 23\% | 9\% | 8\% |
| Sector |  |  |  |  |
| Public | 40\% | 35\% | 57\% | 68\% |
| Private | 60\% | 65\% | 43\% | 32\% |
| Undergraduate Enrollment |  |  |  |  |
| Fewer than 1,000 | 13\% | 19\% | 3\% | 2\% |
| 1,000-2,499 | 32\% | 33\% | 17\% | 11\% |
| 2,500-4,999 | 21\% | 18\% | 18\% | 12\% |
| 5,000-9,999 | 15\% | 15\% | 20\% | 20\% |
| 10,000-19,999 | 13\% | 10\% | 26\% | 27\% |
| 20,000 or more | 6\% | 5\% | 17\% | 27\% |
| Region |  |  |  |  |
| New England | 9\% | 9\% | 7\% | 6\% |
| Mid East | 18\% | 18\% | 17\% | 17\% |
| Great Lakes | 16\% | 15\% | 16\% | 16\% |
| Plains | 10\% | 11\% | 10\% | 9\% |
| Southeast | 26\% | 24\% | 26\% | 23\% |
| Southwest | 9\% | 8\% | 9\% | 11\% |
| Rocky Mountains | 3\% | 3\% | 5\% | 4\% |
| Far West | 8\% | 10\% | 8\% | 12\% |
| Outlying Areas | 1\% | 2\% | <1\% | 2\% |
| U.S. Service Schools | <1\% | <1\% | <1\% | <1\% |
| Location |  |  |  |  |
| City | 49\% | 46\% | 57\% | 60\% |
| Suburban | 20\% | 24\% | 19\% | 19\% |
| Town | 22\% | 21\% | 19\% | 15\% |
| Rural | 9\% | 9\% | 5\% | 6\% |
| RU/VH | Research Uni | (very hig |  |  |
| RU/H | Research Uni | (high res |  |  |
| DRU | Doctoral/Rese | versities |  |  |
| Master's L | Master's Colle | Univers |  |  |
| Master's M | Master's Colle | Univers | grams) |  |
| Master's S | Master's Colle | Univers | grams) |  |
| Bac/A\&S | Baccalaureate | s-Arts \& |  |  |
| Bac/Diverse | Baccalaureat | s-Divers |  |  |

a. Percentages are unweighted and based on U.S. postsecondary institutions that award baccalaureate degrees and belong to one of the eight Carnegie classes in the table. Totals may not sum to $100 \%$ due to rounding
b. U.S. percentages are based on data from the 2008 IPEDS Institutional Characteristics File.
c. For information on the 2005 Carnegie Classifications, see: www.carnegiefoundation.org/classifications.

Table 1 also shows the distribution of NSSE 2009 respondents and the national distribution of students by these same characteristics. At both the institution and student levels we see that NSSE 2009 participants largely reflect the U.S. undergraduate population. While small and private institutions account for a majority of institutions, more students attend large and public institutions, both in NSSE and nationally. NSSE comparison reports use weights to prevent distortions due to the presence of institutions of varying size in comparison groups.

Table 2 shows selected characteristics of NSSE 2009 U.S. respondents. The first column represents the students who responded to the survey in 2009 . The second column represents the undergraduate population at NSSE 2009 participating institutions. The third column shows the profile of all students attending all baccalaureate-granting institutions in the US as indicated by IPEDS data.

## NSSE 2009 U.S. Cohort Profile

The standard NSSE sampling scheme calls for an equal number of randomly sampled first-year and senior
students at a given institution, with the sample size based on the total number of undergraduate students enrolled. Institutions participating in Web-only and Web+ administrations are afforded larger standard sample sizes than paper institutions with the same enrollment, made possible by the efficiency of Web-based data collection. In addition, many institutions request random oversamples to increase the number of respondents, thereby reducing sampling error and enhancing their ability to examine results by subgroups. All randomly selected eligible student respondents from U.S. institutions are referred to collectively as the NSSE 2009 U.S. cohort. Only randomly selected respondents are used for institution and comparison groups in institutional reports. The NSSE 2009 cohort consists of 341,285 respondents, made up of 332,487 students sampled under the standard sampling scheme and an additional 8,798 students selected through random oversamples. The data provided in the remainder of this NSSE 2009 Overview are based on the NSSE 2009 U.S. cohort unless otherwise noted.

Table 2
Characteristics of NSSE 2009 Respondents, Undergraduate Population at Participating U.S. NSSE Institutions, and Undergraduate Population at All U.S. Baccalaureate-Granting Institutions ${ }^{\text {a }}$

|  | NSSE 2009 Respondents | NSSE 2009 Population ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | U.S. Baccalaureate Population ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Gender |  |  |  |
| Male | 36\% | 45\% | 44\% |
| Female | 64\% | 55\% | 56\% |
| Race/Ethnicity ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |  |
| African American/Black | 9\% | 11\% | 12\% |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Asian/Asian American/Pacific Islander | 6\% | 6\% | 7\% |
| Caucasian/White | 75\% | 68\% | 67\% |
| Hispanic | 7\% | 10\% | 10\% |
| Other | 1\% | 1\% | n/a |
| Multiracial/Ethnic | <1\% | <1\% | n/a |
| International | 5\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Enrollment Status |  |  |  |
| Full-time | 89\% | 85\% | 82\% |
| Part-time | 11\% | 15\% | 18\% |

a. Totals may not sum to $100 \%$ due to rounding.
b. NSSE 2009 population data are provided by participating institutions.
c. U.S. percentages are unweighted and based on data from the 2008 IPEDS Institutional Characteristics and Enrollment data.
d. IPEDS and NSSE categories for race and ethnicity differ. Percentages exclude students whose ethnicity was unknown or not provided.

Select NSSE 2009 U.S. Cohort Characteristics ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Year in School

The NSSE 2009 U.S. cohort respondents were almost equally divided between first-year (48\%) and senior (52\%) students.

## Gender

Women made up more than three-fifths (64\%) of respondents, compared with $55 \%$ of students enrolled at NSSE 2009 institutions and $56 \%$ of students enrolled nationally (Table 2). The larger proportion of female respondents is consistent with widely reported survey research findings that women are more likely than men to respond to surveys. Weighting adjusts for the gender imbalance in institutional comparisons.

## Age

Students 19 years of age or younger represent the largest group ( $40 \%$ ) of respondents. About $38 \%$ of all respondents were $20-23$ years old, $10 \%$ were between the ages of 24 and 29 , and $13 \%$ were 30 years of age or older. Of first-year student respondents, $15 \%$ were 20 years of age or older, while $35 \%$ of seniors were 24 years of age or older.

## Race and Ethnicity

African American/Black and Hispanic students are slightly underrepresented, while Caucasian/White students are overrepresented (Table 2).

## Living Arrangements

Overall, approximately $39 \%$ of students lived in campus housing ( $65 \%$ of first-year students and $16 \%$ of seniors). The next most common locations were within driving distance ( $40 \%$ ) and within walking distance ( $15 \%$ ). The remainder lived in a fraternity or sorority house (1\%) or indicated that none of the choices applied (6\%).

## Fraternity or Sorority

About $11 \%$ of men and $10 \%$ of women were members of a fraternity or sorority.

## Grades

Approximately 46\% of all students report earning mostly A grades ( $42 \%$ of first-year students and $49 \%$ of seniors). Only $4 \%$ of students report earning mostly C grades or lower ( $5 \%$ of first-year students and $2 \%$ of seniors).

## Enrollment Status

About $89 \%$ of all respondents were enrolled full time (Table 2). Institutional comparison reports are weighted to adjust for the slight overrepresentation of full-time students among NSSE respondents.

## Parents' Education

Of all respondents for whom education information was provided for both parents, about $81 \%$ of respondents had at least one parent with some college education. Approximately $56 \%$ had at least one parent who completed a baccalaureate degree, and about one-third of respondents ( $31 \%$ ) indicated both parents having a baccalaureate or higher degree.

## Transfer Status

Approximately two-fifths (42\%) of senior respondents began postsecondary education at an institution other than the one they were attending when they completed the NSSE survey. About $51 \%$ of these transfer students had previously attended another baccalaureate-granting institution, $70 \%$ had attended a community college, $14 \%$ had attended a vocational-technical school, and 5\% had enrolled in some other form of postsecondary education (percentages sum to more than $100 \%$ because some students previously attended more than one type of institution).

## Primary Major Field

Table 3 shows the percentage of students pursuing majors in various fields of study, by class and by gender. Proportionally more men pursue studies in business, engineering, and physical sciences, while majors in arts \& humanities, the social sciences, education, and other professional programs are more popular among women.


Table 3
Primary Majors by Class and Gender at NSSE U.S. Institutions

|  | First-Years |  | Seniors |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Male | Female | Male | Female |
| Major $^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |
| Arts \& Humanities | $12 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $15 \%$ |
| Biological Sciences | $8 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $7 \%$ |
| Business | $19 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $21 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| Education | $5 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Engineering | $15 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| Physical Sciences | $5 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| Professional (other) | $5 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $13 \%$ |
| Social Sciences | $10 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $17 \%$ |
| Other | $18 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $20 \%$ | $14 \%$ |
| Undecided | $4 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $<1 \%$ | $<1 \%$ |

a. NSSE codes major information using 85 categories developed by NSSE from the 2000 Classification of Instructional Programs. For information on the classification, see: www.nces.ed.gov/pubsearch/pubsinfo.asp?pubid=2002165. The condensed major categories above are used for NSSE reporting purposes. Additional details concerning the majors included in each category are available in the NSSE 2009 Codebook.

## U.S. and Canadian Response Rates

The average institutional response rate for NSSE 2009 was $36 \%$ (Table 4). The highest institutional response rate was $81 \%$, with $70 \%$ of institutions achieving a response rate between $22 \%$ and $50 \%$. The average institutional response rate for paper mode schools (institutions where students were invited by postal mail, but had the option of completing either the paper or the Web version of the survey) was $31 \%$. Fewer than half of the students responding at these institutions completed the paper survey, while $54 \%$ elected
to complete NSSE online. The average institutional response rate for NSSE 2009 Web-only institutions (institutions where students were invited by e-mail to complete the survey online) was $37 \%$. Institutions participating using the Web+ mode of administration recorded an average institutional response rate of $34 \%$.

Additional information about response rates, including response rates for your institution, is provided in the NSSE 2009 Respondent Characteristics report.

Table 4
NSSE 2009 Participation and Response Information by Survey Administration Mode ${ }^{\text {a }}$

| Survey <br> Administration Mode | Number of <br> Institutions $^{\text {b }}$ | Average <br> Institutional <br> Response Rate | \% of Students Responding <br> via Web |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Paper | 39 | $31 \%$ | $54 \%$ |
| Web-only | 412 | $37 \%$ | $100 \%$ |
| Web+ | 179 | $34 \%$ | $96 \%$ |
| All Institutions | 630 | $36 \%$ | $98 \%$ |

a. Response rates and percent of students responding via Web are based on randomly sampled participants only.
b. Table does not include results for 10 NSSE 2009 institutions that participated as part of a special research program.

## Canadian Institutions and Respondents

Fourteen Canadian institutions from six provinces participated in NSSE 2009. Of these, four institutions were from Ontario, four were from British Columbia, three were from Nova Scotia, and one each was from Quebec, Alberta, and New Brunswick. All Canadian institutions participated via the Web-only administration mode.

## Response Rates

The average Canadian institutional response rate for NSSE 2009 was $43 \%$, with the highest rate achieved being $63 \%$.

## Student Overview

More than 22,000 Canadian students were invited to participate and the total number of respondents was 8,965 (Table 5). Women made up $67 \%$ of the respondents. About $85 \%$ of respondents were enrolled full-time. Of all respondents, $23 \%$ were enrolled in a social science major, $15 \%$ in an arts \& humanities major, $15 \%$ in business, and $9 \%$ in biological sciences.

## Summary of Ethno-Cultural Categories

The majority of students providing ethno-cultural information identified themselves as White (76\%). Additionally, $11 \%$ identified as Chinese, $4 \%$ as South Asian, 3\% as Black, and 2\% each self-identified as North American Indian, Filipino, Southeast Asian, or Arab. Less than $2 \%$ of respondents identified with each of the remaining categories. Ethno-cultural categories for Canadian institutions participating in NSSE were adapted from Statistics Canada, Canada's national statistical agency, see www.statcan.gc.ca/ for additional details.


## Age

Students 19 years old or younger represented the largest group ( $43 \%$ ). About $39 \%$ of respondents were between 20 and 23 years old and $11 \%$ were between the ages of 24 and 29 .

Table 5
Characteristics of Canadian NSSE 2009 Respondents ${ }^{\text {a }}$

NSSE 2009 Respondents
at Canadian Institutions $\mathrm{N}=8,965$
Gender
Male 33\%
Female 67\%

Enrollment Status
Full-time 85\%

Part-time 16\%
Major
Arts \& Humanities $\quad 15 \%$
Biological Sciences 9\%
Business 15\%
Education 3\%
Engineering 3\%
Physical Sciences 4\%
Professional (other) 10\%
Social Sciences 23\%
Other 18\%
Undecided 1\%
a. Percentages are unweighted.


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## NSSE 2009 Psychometric Properties

The National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) was designed to assess the extent to which students participate in empirically derived effective educational practices and what they gain from their college experience. A large, growing body of research on college student development shows that the time and energy students devote to educationally purposeful activities contributes to their learning and personal development (see NSSE Conceptual Framework at www.nsse.iub.edu/html/researchers.cfm for more details). NSSE collects data on student behaviors that are highly correlated with many desirable learning and personal development outcomes of a college education. This document summarizes many of the projects that the NSSE research team conducts in order to measure various psychometric properties of NSSE, beginning with an overview of the content and construction of the survey instrument. It also discusses various measurements of validity and reliability as well as investigations of potential bias. This document concludes with information on where to find additional psychometric information about NSSE.

## Validity

The validity of a survey refers to how well the survey measures what it is intended to measure. This section summarizes many of the ways the NSSE research team analyzed the survey instrument's validity: through question creation, question analysis, and correlations with various student outcomes.

## What does the instrument cover?

NSSE asks students to report how often they participate in activities that represent good educational practice. The survey also covers students' perceptions of the college environment associated with achievement and satisfaction. In addition, students are asked to estimate their educational and personal growth since starting college. Finally, students provide information about their background, including age, gender, race/ethnicity, living situation, educational status, and major.

## Does the instrument yield valid information?

The NSSE research team worked diligently to ensure that survey items were clearly worded, well-defined, and had high content and construct validity. Cognitive interviews and focus groups revealed that very few of the survey items posed difficulty for students to interpret as intended. Although some students had trouble understanding such things as the meaning of a learning community or distinguishing between socializing and relaxing, these problems were consistent across different types of students from different types of institutions. Additionally, items that contribute to the five NSSE benchmarks were not problematic, implying that the benchmarks are also valid measures of the quality of student engagement experiences.

In the Connecting the Dots project, researchers used qualitative methods to investigate whether or not NSSE survey questions were working as intended for different types of students at different types of institutions. The researchers found that the NSSE survey works equally well for students from different racial and ethnic backgrounds as well as for students from different types of institutions.
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Overall, the pattern of responses from first-year students and seniors suggests the items measure what they are supposed to measure. For example, as one would expect, seniors are, on average, more engaged in educational pursuits that involve working on research with faculty members, tutoring other students, and talking about career plans with an advisor. Senior students are likely to be further in their program of study and more likely to be planning for their futures after graduation. First-year students are, on average, more engaged in educational pursuits such as preparing two or more drafts of a paper, participating in co-curricular activities, and taking part in experiences that help them to understand people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds. First-year students are more likely to take classes that require multiple drafts of papers, or seniors may need fewer drafts of papers to produce acceptable work. First-year students are also more likely to live on campus which puts them in closer proximity to co-curricular activities and peers from different backgrounds. These differences in responses to

Table 1
Correlations Between NSSE Benchmarks and Self-reported Outcomes

| NSSE Benchmarks | Practical Competence |  | General Education |  | Personal \& Social Development |  | Grades |  | Satisfaction |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR |
| Level of Academic Challenge | . 49 | . 45 | . 50 | . 47 | . 43 | . 40 | . 16 | . 12 | . 27 | . 26 |
| Active \& Collaborative Learning | . 40 | . 39 | . 35 | . 34 | . 37 | . 35 | . 14 | . 15 | . 22 | . 22 |
| Student-Faculty Interaction | . 40 | . 36 | . 35 | . 33 | . 41 | . 38 | . 07 | . 15 | . 21 | . 26 |
| Enriching Educational Experiences | . 34 | . 28 | . 30 | . 28 | . 36 | . 34 | . 10 | . 15 | . 20 | . 20 |
| Supportive Campus Environment | . 58 | . 57 | . 53 | . 52 | . 57 | . 58 | . 10 | . 12 | . 54 | . 58 |

Note: All correlations are significant at the $p<.01$ level.
items are not surprising and support the validity of the NSSE survey instrument.

## How does student engagement relate to other student outcomes?

The NSSE survey includes a number of self-reported student outcome measures such as educational and personal growth, average grades, and satisfaction. An exploratory factor analysis based on all randomly sampled students who responded to the NSSE 2006 educational and personal growth items in question 11 yielded three factors: personal and social development, practical competence, and general education. NSSE also uses a satisfaction scale comprised of answers to question 13 that asked students to evaluate their entire educational experience and question 14 that asks whether students would attend the same institution again if they could start over. Table 1 shows the correlations between NSSE benchmarks of effective educational practice and these self-reported outcomes based upon NSSE 2009 data.

More details about student engagement and college outcomes can be found in the Connecting the Dots report. In this report, researchers found that student engagement during college had a positive effect on students’ first-year grades and persistence to the second year of college while controlling for a variety of pre-college and first-year experience variables such as pre-college GPA and number of hours per week working off-campus. Although student engagement during college is a benefit for students of all racial and ethnic backgrounds, this study found that for historically underserved students, the gains may be greater. For example, increases in student involvement resulted in higher gains in GPA for Hispanic students than White students. Similarly, African American students and female students engaging in educationally meaningful activities were more likely to
persist to their second year of college than comparable White students and male students, respectively.

## Can we trust student self-reported data?

The credibility of self-reports have been examined extensively. Self-reported data are likely to be valid under five general conditions: (1) the information requested is known to the respondents; (2) the questions are phrased clearly and unambiguously; (3) the questions refer to recent activities; (4) the respondents think the questions merit a serious and thoughtful response; and (5) answering the questions does not threaten, embarrass, or violate the privacy of respondents or encourage respondents to respond in socially desirable ways (Bradburn \& Sudman, 1988; Brandt, 1958; Converse \& Presser, 1989; DeNisi \& Shaw, 1977; Hansford \& Hattie, 1982; Laing, Swayer, \& Noble, 1989; Lowman \& Williams, 1987; Pace, 1985; Pike, 1995). NSSE was intentionally designed to satisfy all these conditions.

## How often is often?

Survey researchers often wonder about the meaning of vague quantifiers such as "sometimes" or "often" as employed by the NSSE survey. When we use results from these questions in our assessment efforts and research, we assume that the following questions can all be answered affirmatively:

- Does each response option have a distinct meaning (e.g., Does "often" mean something different from "sometimes")?
- Do the assumed intervals between the options progressively increase in frequency from "never" to "very often?"
- Are the intervals approximately equal (e.g., "very often" means nine times per week, "often" means six times per week, and "sometimes" means three times per week)?
- Can response options change their meaning from item to item (e.g., "often" asking questions in class means doing so six times per week, whereas "often" discussing ideas outside of class means doing so twice per week)?

In 2006, we asked students to quantify their responses to several survey items to which they responded with vague quantifiers earlier on the survey. The results show that across the board students on average assigned distinct and increasing quantities to "never," "sometimes," "often," and "very often." For example, when asked how often they asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions, students said that "never" meant zero to one times per week, "sometimes" meant two times per week, "often" meant six times per week, and "very often" meant 15 times per week. As this example shows, we found that for most items the intervals between response options are roughly even (see figures at right). Additionally, we found that students adapted the meaning of the vague response options from item to item. In the figures, for example, "very often" means 15 times per week for one item and only five times per week for the other.

## Reliability

Student responses to the survey are reliable to the extent that they are consistent and reproducible. Research analysts at NSSE examined the reliability of student responses in two ways: test-retest analysis at the student level and stability analysis at the institutional level.

## How stable are students' responses between survey administrations?

Assuming little variation in an individual student's behavior within a short time period, we expect consistent or reliable responses to the survey items. In 2002, we conducted a test-retest analysis using 1,226 respondents who completed the same form of the paper survey twice over a period of several months. For the students’ responses on the items related to three of the benchmarks (i.e., Level of Academic Challenge, Active and Collaborative Learning, and Enriching Educational Experiences), the reliability coefficients were 0.74 . Student responses for the items related to Student-Faculty Interaction and to Supportive Campus Environment had reliability coefficients of 0.75 and 0.78 , respectively. In 2005, we conducted the study again using 1,536 respondents who completed the paper or Web survey twice within a period of several months. The results were similar to the earlier study with the reliability coefficients ranging from 0.69 (Level of Academic Challenge) to 0.74

Figure 1
How Students Quantify NSSE's Frequency of Behavior Response Options



(Enriching Educational Experiences). Table 2 shows the test-retest analysis results from the 2002 and 2005 NSSE survey administration. These findings suggest little variation in student responses from one testing period to the next.

Table 2
NSSE Test-Retest Correlations

| NSSE Benchmarks | 2002 | 2005 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| Level of Academic Challenge | 0.74 | 0.69 |
| Active and Collaborative Learning | 0.74 | 0.72 |
| Student-Faculty Interaction | 0.75 | 0.70 |
| Enriching Educational Experiences | 0.74 | 0.74 |
| Supportive Campus Environment | 0.78 | 0.70 |
| N | 1,226 | 1,536 |

## How stable are institutions' scores between survey administrations?

Assuming no major shifts in an institution's policies, we would expect an institution to have relatively stable or reliable benchmark scores from one year to the next. Over the years we have conducted three analyses to measure the stability of benchmark scores for institutions that participated in consecutive years. The first was in 2003 using 214 institutions that participated in the 2002 and 2003 administrations of the survey. Benchmark scores were calculated using unweighted student responses to survey items that were similar for the two years. Correlations for these benchmark scores ranged from 0.81 (Student-Faculty Interaction) to 0.88 (Level of Academic Challenge) for first-year students, and from 0.83 (Active and Collaborative Learning) to 0.93 (Enriching Educational Experiences) for seniors. We conducted this study again using data from 236 institutions that participated in both the 2004 and 2005 administrations. The results of the study showed the correlations ranged from 0.78 (Student-Faculty Interaction) to 0.89 (Enriching Educational Experiences) for first-year students, and from 0.78 (Active and Collaborative Learning) to 0.92 (Enriching Educational Experiences) for seniors. Finally, using 283 institutions that participated in both the 2008 and 2009 NSSE administrations, we found similar results. Pearson's $r$ correlations ranged from 0.74 (Student-Faculty Interaction) to 0.87 (Level of Academic Challenge) for first-years, and from 0.81 (Supportive Campus Environment) to 0.94 (Enriching Educational Experiences) for seniors. These findings suggest that institution-level NSSE data are relatively stable from year to year.

## Do nonrespondents differ from respondents?

Psychometric bias refers to a poor estimate of true scores in a population due to variants such as respondent characteristics or testing situations. The NSSE research team has investigated potential bias in a variety of ways including analysis of nonresponse, mode of administration, type of institution, and students' race/ethnicity.

To determine whether respondents and nonrespondents differed in their engagement in selected effective educational practices, the Indiana University Center for Survey Research conducted telephone interviews with 553 nonrespondents from 21 different colleges and universities that participated in the NSSE 2001 survey administration. A similar study was conducted again in 2005 with 1,400 nonrespondents from 24 different colleges and universities. We also conducted a nonresponse study by comparing NSSE 2005 benchmark scores of early and late respondents. Although some differences were found between respondents and nonrespondents, no consistent trend was found to support the existence of nonresponse bias. Generally speaking, undergraduate students who do not complete the NSSE survey when invited to do so may actually be slightly more engaged than respondents. This is counter to what many observers believe, that nonrespondents have a less educationally productive experience and, as a result, do not respond to surveys. The results of the nonresponse and early-late respondent studies show no significant sign of nonresponse bias in NSSE.

## Do students respond differently depending on the mode of administration (paper vs. Web)?

Using ordinary least squares (OLS) regression, we analyzed NSSE 2000 data to ascertain whether students who completed the survey on the Web responded differently than those who responded via a traditional paper format. We controlled for a variety of student and institutional characteristics that may be associated with either engagement or mode. Responses to Web and paper surveys showed small, but consistent, differences that tended to favor the Web mode (i.e., slightly higher engagement) where differences existed. Items related to computing and information technology exhibited some of the largest effects favoring the Web, which is not surprising, given that many students who receive a paper survey choose to complete the Web version, suggesting a predilection for technology. On the other hand, students who answered paper surveys spent more time preparing for class and did more reading and writing. These findings, combined with previous analysis, especially for items unrelated to computing and information technology,
are generally consistent with the results from single institution studies. The full-length report can be downloaded from: www.nsse.iub.edu/pdf/mode.pdf.

The percentage of students who respond to NSSE using the Web version has increased dramatically over the years. In 2000, fewer than $40 \%$ of NSSE respondents completed the Web version. By 2009, more than $97 \%$ of respondents completed the survey online. Because nearly all NSSE respondents now complete the Web version, mode effects pose little threat to NSSE's reliability.

## Where can we find additional psychometric information on NSSE?

NSSE has a growing portfolio of psychometric analyses that it conducts on a regular basis. A comprehensive summary can be found on the NSSE Web site:
www.nsse.iub.edu/html/researchers.cfm.

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[^0]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Column percentages are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size. Counts are not weighted so one cannot calculate the column percentages directly from the counts.

[^1]:    Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size

    * $\mathrm{p}<.05$ ** $\mathrm{p}<.01 \quad$ *** $\mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

[^2]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05 \quad * * \mathrm{p}<.01 \quad * * * \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
    ${ }^{c}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation

[^3]:    ${ }^{2}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size
    ${ }^{*} \mathrm{p}<.05 \quad{ }^{* *} \mathrm{p}<.01 \quad{ }^{* * *} \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
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    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

[^6]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05{ }^{* *} \mathrm{p}<.01{ }^{* * *} \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
    ${ }^{c}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation

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[^8]:    Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size
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    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

[^9]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ All statistics are weighted by gender，enrollment status，and institutional size．
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    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．
    ${ }^{d}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the $t$－tests．Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption．
    Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance．
    ${ }^{\mathrm{f}}$ Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean，and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation．

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    ${ }^{\text {d }}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption.
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[^15]:    Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institution size
    b. $* \mathrm{p}<.05,{ }^{* *} \mathrm{p}<.01,{ }^{* * *} \mathrm{p}<.001$

[^16]:    ${ }^{\text {a. }}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institution size
    b. $* \mathrm{p}<.05,{ }^{* *} \mathrm{p}<.01,{ }^{* * *} \mathrm{p}<.001$
    ${ }^{\text {c. }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled s.d.

[^17]:    a．All statistics are weighted by gender，enrollment status，and institutional size．
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[^18]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ All NSSE administration years since 2004 are listed regardless of participation.
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ Modes include Paper (students receive a paper survey and the option of completing a Web version), Web (students receive all correspondence by e-mail and complete the Web version), and Web+ (students initially invited to participate via e-mail; a subgroup of nonrespondents receive paper surveys).
    ${ }^{c}$ Response rates (number of respondents divided by sample size) were adjusted for ineligibility, nondeliverable mailing addresses, and students who were unavailable during the survey administration.
    ${ }^{\mathrm{d}}$ Sampling error gauges the precision of estimates based on a sample survey. It is an estimate of how much survey item percentages for your respondents could differ from those of the entire population of students at your institution. Data with larger sampling errors (such as $+/-10 \%$ ) need not be dismissed out of hand, but any results using them should be interpreted more conservatively.
    ${ }^{\mathrm{e}}$ This is the original count used to calculate response rates and sampling errors for each administration's Respondent Characteristics report. This number includes all randomly sampled students. In 2004 and 2005 it may also include targeted oversamples. For this reason, the counts for 2004 and 2005 may not match those given in the detailed statistics on pages 5 and 7 .

[^19]:    ${ }^{a} \mathrm{n}=$ number of respondents; $S D=$ standard deviation; $S E M=$ standard error of the mean; Upper/Lower=95\% confidence interval limits

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