## National Survey of Student Engagement

## Western Michigan University

Mean Comparisons
August 2008

## 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/2008_Institutional_Report/NSSE_2008_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.

## 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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| complete an assignment | Variable | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bench- } \\ \text { mark } \end{gathered}$ | Class | WMU | Selected Peers |  |  | WMU compared with: <br> Carnegie Class |  |  | NSSE 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig b | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.75 | 2.83 |  | -. 07 | 2.83 |  | -. 08 | 2.82 |  | -. 07 |
| m. Used e-mail to communicate with an instructor | EMAIL |  | FY | 3.14 | 3.10 |  | . 06 | 3.10 |  | . 05 | 3.11 |  | . 04 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.50 | 3.37 | *** | . 17 | 3.37 | *** | . 17 | 3.38 | *** | . 16 |
| n. Discussed grades or assignments with an instructor | FACGRADE | SFI | FY | 2.49 | 2.59 | ** | -. 11 | 2.58 | ** | -. 10 | 2.62 | *** | -. 14 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.88 | 2.80 | * | . 10 | 2.79 | * | . 10 | 2.81 |  | . 08 |
| Talked about career plans with a faculty member | FACPLANS | SFI | FY | 2.19 | 2.16 |  | . 03 | 2.15 |  | . 05 | 2.19 |  | . 01 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.44 | 2.36 |  | . 08 | 2.36 |  | . 08 | 2.42 |  | . 02 |
| Discussed ideas from your readings or classes | FACIDEAS | SFI | FY | 1.82 | 1.87 |  | -. 06 | 1.86 |  | -. 05 | 1.91 | ** | -. 10 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.04 | 2.06 |  | -. 02 | 2.07 |  | -. 02 | 2.12 |  | -. 08 |
| Received prompt written or oral feedback from | FACFEED | SFI | FY | 2.47 | 2.60 | *** | -. 15 | 2.60 | *** | -. 15 | 2.65 | *** | -. 21 |
| faculty on your academic performance |  |  | SR | 2.71 | 2.73 |  | -. 03 | 2.74 |  | -. 05 | 2.80 | ** | -. 11 |
| Worked harder than you thought you could to meet | WORKHARD | LAC | FY | 2.56 | 2.61 |  | -. 06 | 2.61 |  | -. 06 | 2.65 | ** | -. 11 |
| an instructor's standards or expectations |  |  | SR | 2.71 | 2.72 |  | -. 01 | 2.71 |  | -. 01 | 2.73 |  | -. 03 |
| Worked with faculty members on activities other <br> s. than coursework (committees, orientation, student | FACOTHER | SFI | FY | 1.56 | 1.62 |  | -. 07 | 1.61 |  | -. 06 | 1.65 | ** | -. 11 |
| life activities, etc.) |  |  | SR | 1.86 | 1.79 |  | . 07 | 1.80 |  | . 06 | 1.84 |  | . 01 |
| Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with <br> t. others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.) | OOCIDEAS | ACL | FY | $2.69$ | 2.67 |  | . 02 | 2.68 |  | . 00 | 2.69 |  | -. 01 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.81 | 2.83 |  | -. 03 | 2.85 |  | -. 05 | 2.84 |  | -. 04 |
| u. Had serious conversations with students of a | DIVRSTUD | EEE | FY | 2.57 | 2.58 |  | . 00 | 2.59 |  | -. 02 | 2.60 |  | -. 03 |
| different race or ethnicity than your own |  |  | SR | 2.65 | 2.67 |  | -. 03 | 2.67 |  | -. 03 | 2.67 |  | -. 02 |
| Had serious conversations with students who are <br> v. very different from you in terms of their religious | DIFFSTU2 | EEE | FY | 2.70 | 2.69 |  | . 02 | 2.69 |  | . 02 | 2.70 |  | . 01 |
| beliefs, political opinions, or personal values |  |  | SR | 2.78 | 2.70 |  | . 07 | 2.68 | * | . 10 | 2.71 |  | . 06 |
| Mental Activities |  |  | During the current school year, how much has your co 1=Very little, 2=Some, 3=Quite a bit, 4=Very much |  |  |  |  | sework | phasiz | the foll | ing ment | activites |  |
| Memorizing facts, ideas, or methods from your <br> a. courses and readings so you can repeat them in pretty much the same form | MEMORIZE |  | FY | 2.98 | 2.95 |  | . 03 | 2.94 |  | . 05 | 2.90 | ** | . 10 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.88 | 2.80 | * | . 09 | 2.79 | * | . 10 | 2.75 | ** | . 14 |

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|  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { Bench- } \\ \text { mark } \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | Class |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Variable |  |  | 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 ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ |
| Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, <br> b. experience, or theory, such as examining a particular case or situation in depth and considering its components | ANALYZE | LAC | FY SR | 3.00 3.15 | 3.07 3.21 | * | -.09 -.08 | 3.10 3.23 | $* *$ $*$ | -.12 -.11 | 3.10 3.24 | $* * *$ $* *$ | -.13 -.13 |
| Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or <br> c. experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships | SYNTHESZ | LAC | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 2.72 \\ & 2.92 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.84 \\ & 3.00 \end{aligned}$ | $* * *$ $*$ | -.14 <br> -.09 | 2.86 3.01 | $* * *$ $*$ | -.17 <br> -.11 | 2.89 3.05 | $* * *$ $* * *$ | -.20 <br> -.16 |
| Making judgments about the value of <br> d. information, arguments, or methods, such as examining how others gathered and interpreted data and assessing the soundness of their | EVALUATE | LAC | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 2.79 \\ & 2.96 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.86 \\ & 2.96 \end{aligned}$ | * | -.08 .00 | 2.87 2.97 | * | $\begin{aligned} & -.09 \\ & -.01 \end{aligned}$ | 2.90 3.01 | *** | $\begin{aligned} & -.13 \\ & -.05 \end{aligned}$ |
| e. <br> Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations | APPLYING | LAC | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 3.02 \\ & 3.13 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3.01 \\ & 3.17 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r}.01 \\ -.06 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3.03 \\ & 3.19 \end{aligned}$ |  | -.02 <br> -.07 | 3.03 3.19 |  | $\begin{aligned} & -.02 \\ & -.08 \end{aligned}$ |
| 3. Reading and Writing |  |  | During the current school year, about how much reading and writing have you done? $1=$ None, $2=1-4,3=5-10,4=11-20,5=$ More than 20 $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Number of assigned textbooks, books, or <br> a. book-length packs of course readings | READASGN | LAC | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 3.31 \\ & 3.13 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 3.11 \\ & 3.09 \end{aligned}$ | *** | .22 .04 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.16 \\ & 3.12 \end{aligned}$ | *** | .16 .00 | 3.24 3.20 |  | $\begin{array}{r} .07 \\ -.07 \end{array}$ |
| b. Number of books read on your own (not assigned) for personal enjoyment or academic enrichment | READOWN |  | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 1.97 \\ & 2.12 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.05 \\ & 2.18 \end{aligned}$ | * | -.08 -.06 | 2.05 2.18 | * | -.08 -.06 | 2.06 2.19 | ** | -. 09 |
| c. <br> Number of written papers or reports of $\underline{20}$ pages or more | WRITEMOR | LAC | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 1.36 \\ & 1.59 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.26 \\ & 1.61 \end{aligned}$ | ** | $\begin{array}{r}.14 \\ -.02 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 1.25 \\ & 1.61 \end{aligned}$ | *** | $\begin{array}{r}.16 \\ -.03 \\ \hline\end{array}$ | 1.28 1.64 | ** | $\begin{array}{r} .11 \\ -.06 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| d. Number of written papers or reports between 5 and 19 pages | WRITEMID | LAC | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 2.29 \\ & 2.60 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.20 \\ & 2.47 \end{aligned}$ | ** | .11 .13 | 2.23 2.48 | * | .07 .12 | 2.29 2.58 |  | .01 .02 |
| e. <br> Number of written papers or reports of fewer than 5 pages | WRITESML | LAC | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 3.25 \\ & 3.35 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.95 \\ & 2.88 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & * * * \\ & * * * \end{aligned}$ | .29 .40 | 3.00 2.94 | $* * *$ $* * *$ | .24 .34 | 3.04 3.00 | $* * *$ $* * *$ | .21 .30 |
| 4. Problem Sets |  |  | In a typical week, how many homework problem sets do you complete? $1=$ None, $2=1-2,3=3-4,4=5-6,5=$ More than 6 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| a. <br> Number of problem sets that take you more than an | PROBSETA |  | FY | 2.68 | 2.69 |  | -. 01 | 2.71 |  | -. 02 | 2.69 |  | -. 01 |
| hour to complete |  |  | SR | 2.56 | 2.63 |  | -. 05 | 2.64 |  | -. 06 | 2.61 |  | -. 04 |
| $h$ a Number of problem sets, that take you less than an | DRORCETR |  | FY | 3.00 | 2.80 | *** | . 17 | 2.79 | *** | . 18 | 2.74 | *** | . 21 |

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| U. hour to complete |  | Benchmark | $\begin{gathered} \text { Class } \\ \text { SR } \end{gathered}$ | WMU | Selected Peers |  |  | Carnegie Class |  |  | NSSE 2008 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size }^{c} \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |
|  |  |  |  | 2.68 | 2.37 | *** | . 26 | 2.37 | *** | . 26 | 2.35 | *** | . 27 |
| 5. Examinations | $1=$ Very little to 7=Very much |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Select the circle that best represents the extent to which your examinations during the current school | EXAMS |  | FY | 5.21 | 5.41 | *** | -. 16 | 5.44 | *** | -. 18 | 5.42 | *** | -. 17 |
| year challenged you to do your best work. |  |  | SR | 5.09 | 5.43 | *** | -. 27 | 5.43 | *** | -. 27 | 5.39 | *** | -. 23 |
| 6. Additional Collegiate Experiences |  |  | 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. Attended an art exhibit, play, dance, music, theatre or other performance | ATDART07 |  | FY | 2.34 | 2.16 | *** | . 19 | 2.20 | *** | . 15 | 2.22 | *** | . 13 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.14 | 1.99 | *** | . 17 | 2.04 | * | . 11 | 2.07 |  | . 08 |
| b. <br> Exercised or participated in physical fitness | EXRCSE05 |  | FY | 2.87 | 2.80 |  | . 07 | 2.82 |  | . 04 | 2.79 | * | . 07 |
| activities |  |  | SR | 2.77 | 2.64 | ** | . 12 | 2.68 | * | . 09 | 2.68 | * | . 09 |
| Participated in activities to enhance your | WORSHP05 |  | FY | 1.76 | 2.09 | *** | -. 30 | 2.19 | *** | -. 38 | 2.06 | *** | -. 27 |
| spirituality (worship, meditation, prayer, etc.) |  |  | SR | 1.98 | 2.15 | *** | -. 15 | 2.28 | *** | -. 25 | 2.11 | ** | -. 12 |
| d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your | OWNVIEW |  | FY | 2.51 | 2.59 | ** | -. 10 | 2.62 | *** | -. 13 | 2.60 | ** | -. 11 |
| d. own views on a topic or issue |  |  | SR | 2.66 | 2.67 |  | -. 01 | 2.70 |  | -. 04 | 2.68 |  | -. 02 |
| Tried to better understand someone else's views imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective | OTHRVIEW |  | FY | 2.72 | 2.74 |  | -. 03 | 2.76 |  | -. 05 | 2.76 |  | -. 05 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.85 | 2.80 |  | . 06 | 2.82 |  | . 04 | 2.83 |  | . 02 |
| f. Learned something that changed the way you | CHNGVIEW |  | FY | 2.81 | 2.81 |  | . 01 | 2.84 |  | -. 03 | 2.85 |  | -. 04 |
| understand an issue or concept |  |  | SR | 2.89 | 2.84 |  | . 05 | 2.88 |  | . 02 | 2.89 |  | . 00 |

Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate from your institution? (Recoded: $0=$ Have not decided, Do not plan to do, Plan to do; $1=$ Done. Thus, the mean is the proportion responding "Done" among all valid respondents.)

## 7. Enriching Educational Experiences

| a. | Practicum, internship, field experience, co-op | INTERN04 | EEE | FY | . 07 | . 08 |  | -. 02 | . 07 |  | -. 01 | . 08 |  | -. 03 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | experience, or clinical assignment |  |  | SR | . 68 | . 50 | *** | . 37 | . 51 | *** | . 33 | . 53 | *** | . 30 |
| b. |  | VOLNTR04 | EEE | FY | . 36 | . 37 |  | -. 01 | . 40 |  | -. 07 | . 38 |  | -. 03 |
|  |  |  |  | SR | . 64 | . 57 | ** | . 14 | . 60 |  | . 08 | . 60 | * | . 08 |
| c. | Participate in a learning community or some other formal program where groups of students take two | LRNCOM04 | EEE | FY | . 20 | . 17 |  | . 06 | . 18 |  | . 04 | . 16 | ** | . 11 |
|  | or more classes together |  |  | SR | . 30 | . 24 | ** | . 14 | . 26 | * | . 10 | . 26 | * | . 09 |

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## 8. Quality of Relationships

| a. | Relationships with other students | ENVSTU | SCE | FY | 5.41 | 5.44 |  | -. 01 | 5.47 |  | -. 04 | 5.47 |  | -. 04 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  | SR | 5.58 | 5.54 |  | . 03 | 5.56 |  | . 01 | 5.59 |  | -. 01 |
| 1=Unavailable, Unhelpful, Unsympathetic to 7=Available, Helpful, Sympathetic |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. |  | ENVFAC | SCE | FY | 4.92 | 5.02 | * | -. 07 | 5.05 | ** | -. 10 | 5.19 | *** | -. 20 |
|  |  |  |  | SR | 5.29 | 5.23 |  | . 04 | 5.27 |  | . 01 | 5.41 | * | -. 09 |
| 1=Unhelpful, Inconsiderate, Rigid to 7=Helpful, Considerate, Flexible |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Relationships with administrative personnel and | ENVADM | SCE | FY | 4.56 | 4.53 |  | . 02 | 4.55 |  | . 01 | 4.65 |  | -. 06 |
|  | $\underline{\text { offices }}$ |  |  | SR | 4.22 | 4.45 | ** | -. 13 | 4.45 | ** | -. 14 | 4.53 | *** | -. 18 |

## 9. Time Usage

> About how many hours do you spend in a typical 7-day week doing each of the following?
$1=0 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}, 2=1-5 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}, 3=6-10 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}, 4=11-15 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}, 5=16-20 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}, 6=21-25 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}, 7=26-30 \mathrm{hrs} / \mathrm{wk}$, Preparing for class (studying, reading, writing,
a. doing homework or lab work, analyzing data,
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| rehearsing, and other academic activities) | SR |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| b. Working for pay on campus | WORKON01 | FY |
|  |  | SR |


| 3.86 | 3.95 |  | -. 06 | 4.06 | *** | -. 13 | 4.04 | *** | -. 11 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3.97 | 4.08 |  | -. 06 | 4.14 | * | -. 10 | 4.14 | * | -. 10 |
| 1.55 | 1.50 |  | . 04 | 1.54 |  | . 01 | 1.55 |  | . 00 |
| 1.95 | 1.78 | * | . 10 | 1.88 |  | . 04 | 1.79 | * | . 10 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size } \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Effect } \\ & \text { Size }^{c} \end{aligned}$ | Mean ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Sig ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | Effect Size |
| m. Solving complex real-world problems | GNPROBSV |  | FY | 2.57 | 2.66 | * | -. 10 | 2.69 | ** | -. 12 | 2.69 | *** | -. 12 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.68 | 2.75 |  | -. 07 | 2.78 | * | -. 11 | 2.78 | * | -. 10 |
| n. Developing a personal code of values and ethics | GNETHICS |  | FY | 2.51 | 2.63 | ** | -. 12 | 2.71 | *** | -. 19 | 2.70 | *** | -. 19 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.58 | 2.61 |  | -. 02 | 2.71 | ** | -. 12 | 2.71 | ** | -. 13 |
| o. Contributing to the welfare of your community | GNCOMMUN |  | FY | 2.21 | 2.44 | *** | -. 24 | 2.52 | *** | -. 31 | 2.47 | *** | -. 26 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.24 | 2.39 | *** | -. 15 | 2.48 | *** | -. 24 | 2.48 | *** | -. 24 |
| p. Developing a deepened sense of spirituality | GNSPIRIT |  | FY | 1.90 | 2.09 | *** | -. 17 | 2.21 | *** | -. 28 | 2.15 | *** | -. 23 |
|  |  |  | SR | 1.73 | 1.84 | ** | -. 11 | 2.02 | *** | -. 26 | 1.96 | *** | -. 21 |
| 12. Academic Advising |  | 1=Poor, 2=Fair, 3=Good, 4=Excellent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overall, how would you evaluate the quality of academic advising you have received at your institution? | ADVISE |  | FY SR | $\begin{aligned} & 2.90 \\ & 2.63 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2.96 \\ & 2.74 \end{aligned}$ |  | -.08 -.11 | 2.98 2.77 | * | -.10 -14 | 3.00 285 | ********* | -.12 -.23 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.63 | 2.74 | * | -. 11 | 2.77 | ** | -. 14 | 2.85 | *** | -. 23 |
| 13. Satisfaction |  |  | 1=Poor, 2=Fair, 3=Good, 4=Excellent |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this institution? | ENTIREXP |  | FY | 3.07 | 3.17 | *** | -. 15 | 3.20 | *** | -. 19 | 3.19 | *** | -. 18 |
|  |  |  | SR | 3.01 | 3.13 | *** | -. 16 | 3.18 | *** | -. 22 | 3.21 | *** | -. 26 |
| 14. | $1=$ Definitely no, 2=Probably no, 3=Probably yes, $4=$ Definitely yes |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| If you could start over again, would you go to the same institution you are now attending? | SAMECOLL |  | FY | 3.13 | 3.25 | *** | -. 14 | 3.27 | *** | -. 17 | 3.23 | ** | -. 12 |
|  |  |  | SR | 2.95 | 3.16 | *** | -. 24 | 3.19 | *** | -. 28 | 3.20 | *** | -. 30 |

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## NSSE 2008 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$

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| N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\sum_{3}^{2}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{y}{む} \\ & \tilde{\sim} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \stackrel{\ddot{0}}{0} \\ & \hline i n \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ob } \\ & \text { u} \\ & \text { un } \\ & \text { Z } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | WMU <br> pared $w$ <br> 咢 热答 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { © } \\ & \text { O} \\ & \text { W } \\ & \text { ñ } \end{aligned}$ |  | WMU pared with： \％ $\stackrel{\sim}{0}$ U U |  |
| 901 | 2.58 | 2.67 | 2.68 | 2.79 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 82 | ． 83 | ． 84 | ． 85 | 20，142 | 24，167 | 151，812 | ． 001 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 12 | －． 12 | －． 25 |
| 903 | 2.00 | 2.16 | 2.16 | 2.27 | ． 02 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 71 | ． 80 | ． 79 | ． 81 | 1，013 | 992 | 916 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 21 | －． 20 | －． 34 |
| 901 | 2.57 | 2.63 | 2.61 | 2.65 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 96 | ． 98 | ． 98 | ． 98 | 20，125 | 24，145 | 151，598 | ． 054 | ． 226 | ． 010 | －． 07 | －． 04 | －． 09 |
| 899 | 2.93 | 3.01 | 3.01 | 3.06 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 81 | ． 80 | ． 80 | ． 79 | 20，146 | 24，171 | 151，675 | ． 003 | ． 001 | ． 000 | －． 10 | －． 11 | －． 17 |
| 896 | 2.60 | 2.76 | 2.76 | 2.78 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 88 | ． 89 | ． 88 | ． 88 | 20，092 | 24，108 | 151，434 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 18 | －． 18 | －． 21 |
| 901 | 2.06 | 2.06 | 2.07 | 2.01 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 77 | ． 77 | ． 77 | ． 77 | 20，036 | 24，042 | 150，907 | ． 895 | ． 693 | ． 067 | ． 00 | －． 01 | ． 06 |
| 901 | 2.50 | 2.43 | 2.41 | 2.41 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 82 | ． 84 | ． 84 | ． 84 | 20，092 | 24，109 | 151，394 | ． 011 | ． 001 | ． 001 | ． 09 | ． 11 | ． 11 |
| 903 | 2.36 | 2.40 | 2.43 | 2.40 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 91 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 88 | 20，143 | 24，173 | 151，737 | ． 142 | ． 014 | ． 142 | －． 05 | －． 08 | －． 05 |
| 842 | 2.62 | 2.61 | 2.62 | 2.63 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 80 | ． 81 | ． 81 | ． 82 | 18，835 | 22，627 | 142，385 | ． 603 | ． 956 | ． 639 | ． 02 | ． 00 | －． 02 |
| 844 | 1.56 | 1.73 | 1.75 | 1.70 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 77 | ． 85 | ． 85 | ． 85 | 941 | 925 | 855 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 20 | －． 22 | －． 17 |
| 843 | 1.51 | 1.61 | 1.65 | 1.60 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 77 | ． 85 | ． 86 | ． 84 | 942 | 927 | 854 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 001 | －． 12 | －． 16 | －． 10 |
| 843 | 2.54 | 2.65 | 2.64 | 2.59 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.01 | 1.02 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 18，832 | 22，621 | 142，325 | ． 003 | ． 004 | ． 154 | －． 10 | －． 10 | －． 05 |
| 844 | 3.14 | 3.10 | 3.10 | 3.11 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 79 | ． 81 | ． 81 | ． 82 | 18，820 | 22，609 | 142，160 | ． 095 | ． 153 | ． 240 | ． 06 | ． 05 | ． 04 |
| 842 | 2.49 | 2.59 | 2.58 | 2.62 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 91 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 88 | 18，803 | 22，598 | 142，163 | ． 001 | ． 006 | ． 000 | －． 11 | －． 10 | －． 14 |
| 844 | 2.19 | 2.16 | 2.15 | 2.19 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 90 | 18，784 | 22，573 | 142，259 | ． 351 | ． 118 | ． 855 | ． 03 | ． 05 | ． 01 |
| 844 | 1.82 | 1.87 | 1.86 | 1.91 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 84 | ． 90 | ． 89 | ． 90 | 937 | 919 | 142，331 | ． 090 | ． 138 | ． 003 | －． 06 | －． 05 | －． 10 |
| 819 | 2.47 | 2.60 | 2.60 | 2.65 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 86 | ． 84 | ． 84 | ． 84 | 18，336 | 22，038 | 139，337 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 15 | －． 15 | －． 21 |
| 819 | 2.56 | 2.61 | 2.61 | 2.65 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 86 | ． 85 | ． 85 | ． 85 | 18，304 | 22，007 | 139，197 | ． 098 | ． 071 | ． 001 | －． 06 | －． 06 | －． 11 |
| 817 | 1.56 | 1.62 | 1.61 | 1.65 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 83 | ． 86 | ． 85 | ． 86 | 900 | 21，973 | 826 | ． 061 | ． 084 | ． 002 | －． 07 | －． 06 | －． 11 |
| 814 | 2.69 | 2.67 | 2.68 | 2.69 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 87 | 18，276 | 21，970 | 138，975 | ． 527 | ． 976 | ． 788 | ． 02 | ． 00 | －． 01 |
| 817 | 2.57 | 2.58 | 2.59 | 2.60 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 1.01 | 18，296 | 21，997 | 139，077 | ． 928 | ． 672 | ． 428 | ． 00 | －． 02 | －． 03 |
| 816 | 2.70 | 2.69 | 2.69 | 2.70 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 99 | ． 99 | ． 99 | ． 98 | 18，310 | 22，006 | 139，113 | ． 594 | ． 611 | ． 791 | ． 02 | ． 02 | ． 01 |
| 807 | 2.98 | 2.95 | 2.94 | 2.90 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 85 | ． 86 | ． 86 | ． 87 | 18，081 | 21，755 | 816 | ． 346 | ． 181 | ． 004 | ． 03 | ． 05 | ． 10 |
| 804 | 3.00 | 3.07 | 3.10 | 3.10 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 78 | ． 78 | ． 78 | ． 78 | 18，024 | 866 | 813 | ． 018 | ． 001 | ． 000 | －． 09 | －． 12 | －． 13 |
| 804 | 2.72 | 2.84 | 2.86 | 2.89 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 83 | ． 86 | ． 86 | ． 84 | 18，016 | 21，678 | 137，447 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 14 | －． 17 | －． 20 |
| 806 | 2.79 | 2.86 | 2.87 | 2.90 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 84 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 85 | 18，043 | 21，704 | 137，579 | ． 030 | ． 012 | ． 000 | －． 08 | －． 09 | －． 13 |
| 805 | 3.02 | 3.01 | 3.03 | 3.03 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 84 | ． 86 | ． 86 | ． 84 | 18，043 | 21，710 | 137，649 | ． 884 | ． 624 | ． 650 | ． 01 | －． 02 | －． 02 |
| 803 | 3.31 | 3.11 | 3.16 | 3.24 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 89 | ． 91 | ． 91 | ． 94 | 882 | 21，729 | 137，622 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 064 | ． 22 | ． 16 | ． 07 |

[^6]${ }^{\mathrm{d}}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t －tests．Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption．
${ }^{e}$ 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．

| READOWN | 803 | 1.97 | 2.05 | 2.05 | 2.06 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 91 | ． 93 | ． 92 | ． 93 | 18，049 | 21，725 | 137，705 | ． 026 | ． 025 | ． 008 | －． 08 | －． 08 | －． 09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WRITEMOR | 805 | 1.36 | 1.26 | 1.25 | 1.28 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 82 | ． 67 | ． 65 | ． 69 | 855 | 844 | 811 | ． 001 | ． 000 | ． 006 | ． 14 | ． 16 | ． 11 |
| WRITEMID | 803 | 2.29 | 2.20 | 2.23 | 2.29 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 83 | ． 82 | ． 83 | ． 84 | 18，067 | 21，746 | 137，667 | ． 002 | ． 038 | ． 852 | ． 11 | ． 07 | ． 01 |
| WRITESML | 805 | 3.25 | 2.95 | 3.00 | 3.04 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.05 | 1.04 | 1.04 | 1.04 | 879 | 866 | 813 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 29 | ． 24 | ． 211 |

## National Survey of Student Engagement

## NSSE 2008 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$

Western Michigan University
First-Year Students

| N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{e}$ |  |  | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ob } \\ & \text { d } \\ & \text { N } \\ & \text { z } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | WMU pared w <br> 哭 |  |  | WMU <br> pared with <br> 资 | $\begin{aligned} & \infty 0 \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \text { H} \\ & \underset{Z}{Z} \end{aligned}$ |
| 803 | 2.68 | 2.69 | 2.71 | 2.69 | . 04 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.12 | 1.14 | 1.14 | 1.12 | 18,032 | 21,691 | 137,072 | . 777 | . 508 | . 862 | -. 01 | -. 02 | -. 01 |
| 804 | 3.00 | 2.80 | 2.79 | 2.74 | . 04 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.22 | 1.21 | 1.20 | 1.20 | 17,946 | 21,593 | 136,769 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 17 | . 18 | . 21 |
| 806 | 5.21 | 5.41 | 5.44 | 5.42 | . 04 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.18 | 1.21 | 1.21 | 1.20 | 887 | 872 | 815 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | -. 16 | -. 18 | -. 17 |
| 792 | 2.34 | 2.16 | 2.20 | 2.22 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 98 | . 93 | . 93 | . 93 | 858 | 846 | 799 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 19 | . 15 | . 13 |
| 787 | 2.87 | 2.80 | 2.82 | 2.79 | . 04 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 99 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 1.04 | 17,874 | 21,517 | 796 | . 062 | . 219 | . 032 | . 07 | . 04 | . 07 |
| 788 | 1.76 | 2.09 | 2.19 | 2.06 | . 04 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 99 | 1.11 | 1.15 | 1.10 | 880 | 869 | 798 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | -. 30 | -. 38 | -. 27 |
| 789 | 2.51 | 2.59 | 2.62 | 2.60 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 89 | . 89 | . 88 | . 89 | 17,874 | 21,519 | 135,899 | . 006 | . 000 | . 002 | -. 10 | -. 13 | -. 11 |
| 792 | 2.72 | 2.74 | 2.76 | 2.76 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 86 | . 87 | . 86 | . 86 | 17,866 | 21,509 | 135,936 | . 462 | . 204 | . 166 | -. 03 | -. 05 | -. 05 |
| 789 | 2.81 | 2.81 | 2.84 | 2.85 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 85 | . 83 | . 83 | . 83 | 17,873 | 21,513 | 135,904 | . 761 | . 487 | . 308 | . 01 | -. 03 | -. 04 |
| 774 | . 07 | . 08 | . 07 | . 08 | . 01 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 26 | . 27 | . 26 | . 27 | 17,569 | 21,162 | 133,516 | . 668 | . 874 | . 365 | -. 02 | -. 01 | -. 03 |
| 770 | . 36 | . 37 | . 40 | . 38 | . 02 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 48 | . 48 | . 49 | . 49 | 17,506 | 831 | 133,218 | . 881 | . 064 | . 384 | -. 01 | -. 07 | -. 03 |
| 769 | . 20 | . 17 | . 18 | . 16 | . 01 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 40 | . 38 | . 39 | . 37 | 833 | 823 | 775 | . 094 | . 247 | . 006 | . 06 | . 04 | . 11 |
| 764 | . 07 | . 05 | . 05 | . 05 | . 01 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 26 | . 22 | . 22 | . 23 | 818 | 807 | 770 | . 064 | . 041 | . 065 | . 08 | . 09 | . 08 |
| 765 | . 16 | . 20 | . 21 | . 22 | . 01 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 37 | . 40 | . 41 | . 41 | 846 | 835 | 775 | . 024 | . 001 | . 000 | -. 08 | -. 11 | -. 14 |
| 764 | . 02 | . 03 | . 03 | . 03 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 13 | . 17 | . 17 | . 17 | 889 | 863 | 779 | . 008 | . 013 | . 003 | -. 08 | -. 07 | -. 08 |
| 764 | . 02 | . 04 | . 04 | . 04 | . 01 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 15 | . 18 | . 19 | . 20 | 865 | 848 | 778 | . 061 | . 049 | . 002 | -. 06 | -. 06 | -. 09 |
| 769 | . 02 | . 02 | . 02 | . 02 | . 01 | . 00 | . 00 | . 00 | . 14 | . 14 | . 14 | . 14 | 17,532 | 21,116 | 133,220 | . 840 | . 939 | . 959 | -. 01 | . 00 | . 00 |
| 772 | 5.41 | 5.44 | 5.47 | 5.47 | . 05 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.44 | 1.44 | 1.43 | 1.42 | 17,477 | 21,074 | 133,192 | . 703 | . 324 | . 246 | -. 01 | -. 04 | -. 04 |
| 769 | 4.92 | 5.02 | 5.05 | 5.19 | . 05 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.35 | 1.37 | 1.37 | 1.36 | 17,470 | 21,066 | 133,308 | . 045 | . 007 | . 000 | -. 07 | -. 10 | -. 20 |
| 770 | 4.56 | 4.53 | 4.55 | 4.65 | . 05 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.49 | 1.56 | 1.56 | 1.55 | 849 | 834 | 133,153 | . 567 | . 827 | . 108 | . 02 | . 01 | -. 06 |
| 767 | 3.86 | 3.95 | 4.06 | 4.04 | . 05 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.52 | 1.57 | 1.60 | 1.61 | 17,328 | 832 | 776 | . 107 | . 000 | . 001 | -. 06 | -. 13 | -. 11 |
| 767 | 1.55 | 1.50 | 1.54 | 1.55 | . 05 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.31 | 1.26 | 1.29 | 1.25 | 832 | 20,864 | 132,007 | . 268 | . 860 | . 950 | . 04 | . 01 | . 00 |
| 765 | 1.86 | 2.26 | 2.15 | 2.46 | . 06 | . 02 | . 01 | . 01 | 1.74 | 2.10 | 2.02 | 2.32 | 869 | 844 | 780 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | -. 20 | -. 15 | -. 26 |
| 766 | 2.21 | 2.28 | 2.29 | 2.26 | . 06 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.57 | 1.57 | 1.55 | 1.56 | 17,315 | 20,870 | 132,105 | . 259 | . 189 | . 349 | -. 04 | -. 05 | -. 03 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ All statistics are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus/minus the product of 1.96 times the standard error of the mean.
${ }^{\text {c }}$ 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.
${ }^{e}$ 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.

| SOCIAL05 | 763 | 4.20 | 3.94 | 3.89 | 3.76 | . 06 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.70 | 1.70 | 1.68 | 1.66 | 17,276 | 20,833 | 131,850 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | . 15 | . 18 | . 27 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CAREDE01 | 763 | 1.44 | 1.59 | 1.54 | 1.79 | . 04 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.22 | 1.36 | 1.30 | 1.70 | 851 | 829 | 779 | . 001 | . 023 | . 000 | -. 11 | -. 08 | -. 21 |
| COMMUTE | 765 | 2.43 | 2.36 | 2.32 | 2.26 | . 04 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | 1.02 | 1.06 | 1.04 | 1.10 | 17,299 | 20,860 | 131,933 | . 069 | . 002 | . 000 | . 07 | . 11 | . 16 |
| ENVSCHOL | 750 | 3.00 | 3.10 | 3.14 | 3.14 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 77 | . 77 | . 76 | . 76 | 819 | 806 | 758 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | -. 14 | -. 19 | -. 19 |
| ENVSUPRT | 747 | 2.91 | 3.03 | 3.06 | 3.07 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 79 | . 81 | . 80 | . 80 | 17,056 | 20,573 | 130,101 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | -. 16 | -. 19 | -. 20 |
| ENVDIVRS | 749 | 2.54 | 2.67 | 2.68 | 2.70 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 94 | . 96 | . 96 | . 97 | 17,059 | 20,579 | 130,074 | . 000 | . 000 | . 000 | -. 14 | -. 15 | -. 17 |
| ENVNACAD | 750 | 2.16 | 2.21 | 2.25 | 2.27 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 95 | . 95 | . 95 | . 96 | 17,052 | 20,569 | 129,985 | . 185 | . 017 | . 003 | -. 05 | -. 09 | -. 11 |
| ENVSOCAL | 747 | 2.44 | 2.48 | 2.51 | 2.49 | . 03 | . 01 | . 01 | . 00 | . 90 | . 93 | . 93 | . 94 | 16,979 | 20,490 | 129,583 | . 239 | . 031 | . 148 | -. 04 | -. 08 | -.052 |

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## NSSE 2008 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$

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|  | N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | $\sum_{3}^{2}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ö } \\ & \text { du } \\ & \text { H} \\ & \text { Z } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ob } \\ & \text { in } \\ & 山 \\ & \text { 亿 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \infty \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \text { W } \\ & \underset{\sim}{2} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | WMU pared <br>  |  |  | pared with： <br> \％ 范 U U |  |
| ENVEVENT | 748 | 2.83 | 2.86 | 2.90 | 2.84 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 90 | ． 90 | ． 90 | ． 93 | 17，041 | 20，564 | 129，968 | ． 328 | ． 027 | ． 843 | －． 04 | －． 08 | －． 01 |
| ENVCOMPT | 752 | 3.27 | 3.32 | 3.34 | 3.31 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 81 | ． 78 | ． 77 | ． 79 | 17，072 | 20，596 | 130，156 | ． 089 | ． 024 | ． 137 | －． 06 | －． 08 | －． 05 |
| GNGENLED | 739 | 3.06 | 3.16 | 3.19 | 3.20 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 80 | ． 78 | ． 78 | ． 78 | 16，796 | 792 | 746 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 14 | －． 17 | －． 18 |
| GNWORK | 737 | 2.75 | 2.75 | 2.78 | 2.80 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 94 | ． 95 | ． 95 | ． 94 | 16，755 | 20，192 | 127，828 | ． 972 | ． 317 | ． 142 | ． 00 | －． 04 | －． 05 |
| GNWRITE | 739 | 2.85 | 2.95 | 2.95 | 3.02 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 87 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 86 | 16，761 | 20，203 | 746 | ． 006 | ． 003 | ． 000 | －． 10 | －． 11 | －． 19 |
| GNSPEAK | 734 | 2.59 | 2.76 | 2.76 | 2.85 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 95 | ． 94 | ． 94 | ． 92 | 16，750 | 20，189 | 741 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 18 | －． 18 | －． 28 |
| GNANALY | 736 | 3.06 | 3.17 | 3.19 | 3.21 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 83 | ． 79 | ． 79 | ． 78 | 16，747 | 20，178 | 127，760 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 14 | －． 17 | －． 20 |
| GNQUANT | 735 | 2.79 | 2.97 | 2.98 | 2.96 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 88 | ． 86 | ． 86 | ． 87 | 799 | 787 | 742 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 21 | －． 23 | －． 20 |
| GNCMPTS | 736 | 2.99 | 3.06 | 3.06 | 3.04 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 93 | ． 89 | ． 89 | ． 89 | 16，751 | 20，193 | 127，915 | ． 041 | ． 036 | ． 102 | －． 08 | －． 08 | －． 06 |
| GNOTHERS | 738 | 2.91 | 2.96 | 2.97 | 2.99 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 90 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 88 | 16，748 | 791 | 745 | ． 148 | ． 049 | ． 015 | －． 05 | －． 08 | －． 09 |
| GNCITIZN | 722 | 1.97 | 2.29 | 2.28 | 2.24 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.00 | 1.05 | 1.05 | 1.06 | 796 | 782 | 730 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 30 | －． 29 | －． 25 |
| GNINQ | 722 | 2.86 | 2.93 | 2.95 | 2.96 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 85 | ． 87 | ． 86 | ． 86 | 16，423 | 19，811 | 125，559 | ． 027 | ． 005 | ． 003 | －． 08 | －． 11 | －． 11 |
| GNSELF | 721 | 2.69 | 2.76 | 2.79 | 2.81 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 94 | ． 97 | ． 97 | ． 96 | 16，420 | 19，812 | 125，494 | ． 088 | ． 011 | ． 001 | －． 07 | －． 10 | －． 12 |
| GNDIVERS | 722 | 2.54 | 2.66 | 2.65 | 2.67 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 94 | ． 96 | ． 96 | ． 96 | 16，430 | 19，817 | 125，596 | ． 002 | ． 002 | ． 000 | －． 12 | －． 12 | －． 14 |
| GNPROBSV | 724 | 2.57 | 2.66 | 2.69 | 2.69 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 91 | ． 93 | ． 93 | ． 93 | 16，434 | 19，819 | 125，583 | ． 011 | ． 001 | ． 001 | －． 10 | －． 12 | －． 12 |
| GNETHICS | 720 | 2.51 | 2.63 | 2.71 | 2.70 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 96 | 1.00 | 1.00 | ． 99 | 16，437 | 19，823 | 125，557 | ． 002 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 12 | －． 19 | －． 19 |
| GNCOMMUN | 720 | 2.21 | 2.44 | 2.52 | 2.47 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 95 | ． 98 | ． 99 | ． 99 | 790 | 779 | 728 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 24 | －． 31 | －． 26 |
| GNSPIRIT | 722 | 1.90 | 2.09 | 2.21 | 2.15 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.00 | 1.07 | 1.12 | 1.09 | 798 | 791 | 731 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 17 | －． 28 | －． 23 |
| ADVISE | 728 | 2.90 | 2.96 | 2.98 | 3.00 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 88 | ． 85 | ． 85 | ． 84 | 16，638 | 780 | 735 | ． 044 | ． 012 | ． 002 | －． 08 | －． 10 | －． 12 |
| ENTIREXP | 730 | 3.07 | 3.17 | 3.20 | 3.19 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 69 | ． 71 | ． 72 | ． 72 | 800 | 788 | 738 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 15 | －． 19 | －． 18 |
| SAMECOLL | 730 | 3.13 | 3.25 | 3.27 | 3.23 | ． 03 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 88 | ． 80 | ． 81 | ． 82 | 16，668 | 20，113 | 127，266 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 001 | －． 14 | －． 17 | －． 12 |

[^7]The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus／minus the product of 1.96 times the standard error of the mean．
${ }^{\text {c }}$ A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．
${ }^{\text {d }}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t －tests．Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption．
${ }^{e}$ Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance．
${ }^{f}$ 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 <br> of Student Engagement

## NSSE 2008 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$

Western Michigan University
Seniors

|  | N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{e}$ |  |  | $\text { Effect Size }{ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\sum_{3}^{2}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 0.0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \\ & \text { Z } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ob } \\ & \text { in } \\ & 山 \\ & \text { 亿 } \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & \stackrel{0}{0} \\ & 0 \\ & 0 \end{aligned}$ | WMU pared $n$咨 | $\begin{aligned} & \stackrel{\infty}{0} \\ & \text { H} \\ & \underset{\sim}{n} \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  | WMU pared with：咢 皆皆 | $\begin{aligned} & 00 \\ & \stackrel{\sim}{0} \\ & \text { un } \\ & \tilde{\sim} \end{aligned}$ |
| CLQUEST | 583 | 3.03 | 2.96 | 2.96 | 3.07 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 86 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 86 | 46，565 | 56，039 | 336，000 | ． 046 | ． 049 | ． 292 | ． 08 | ． 08 | －． 04 |
| CLPRESEN | 582 | 2.85 | 2.70 | 2.71 | 2.80 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 84 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 87 | 598 | 595 | 335，748 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 131 | ． 18 | ． 17 | ． 06 |
| REWROPAP | 584 | 2.37 | 2.45 | 2.43 | 2.47 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 98 | ． 97 | ． 97 | ． 97 | 46，517 | 56，003 | 335，741 | ． 041 | ． 120 | ． 015 | －． 09 | －． 06 | －． 10 |
| INTEGRAT | 582 | 3.32 | 3.24 | 3.24 | 3.30 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 75 | ． 77 | ． 77 | ． 74 | 46，526 | 56，003 | 335，702 | ． 016 | ． 023 | ． 618 | ． 10 | ． 09 | ． 02 |
| DIVCLASS | 580 | 2.82 | 2.73 | 2.72 | 2.81 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 90 | ． 95 | ． 94 | ． 92 | 596 | 593 | 335，221 | ． 019 | ． 010 | ． 951 | ． 09 | ． 10 | ． 00 |
| CLUNPREP | 580 | 2.21 | 2.16 | 2.17 | 2.10 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 80 | ． 80 | ． 80 | ． 79 | 46，360 | 55，785 | 581 | ． 085 | ． 198 | ． 001 | ． 07 | ． 05 | ． 14 |
| CLASSGRP | 582 | 2.61 | 2.51 | 2.49 | 2.52 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 87 | ． 90 | ． 89 | ． 88 | 46，500 | 55，959 | 335，406 | ． 007 | ． 001 | ． 013 | ． 11 | ． 13 | ． 10 |
| OCCGRP | 581 | 2.84 | 2.80 | 2.82 | 2.75 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 89 | ． 92 | ． 91 | ． 91 | 46，566 | 56，037 | 335，904 | ． 219 | ． 508 | ． 013 | ． 05 | ． 03 | ． 10 |
| INTIDEAS | 568 | 2.93 | 2.93 | 2.94 | 2.94 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 78 | ． 82 | ． 81 | ． 81 | 583 | 53，860 | 324，332 | ． 957 | ． 661 | ． 667 | ． 00 | －． 02 | －． 02 |
| TUTOR | 569 | 1.82 | 1.89 | 1.91 | 1.88 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 93 | ． 95 | ． 96 | ． 96 | 44，649 | 53，897 | 324，297 | ． 090 | ． 015 | ． 118 | －． 07 | －． 10 | －． 07 |
| COMMPROJ | 570 | 1.78 | 1.68 | 1.70 | 1.74 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 93 | ． 91 | ． 90 | ． 91 | 44，568 | 53，799 | 323，938 | ． 012 | ． 050 | ． 294 | ． 11 | ． 08 | ． 04 |
| ITACADEM | 570 | 2.75 | 2.83 | 2.83 | 2.82 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1.02 | 1.02 | 44，638 | 53，886 | 324，400 | ． 075 | ． 068 | ． 110 | －． 07 | －． 08 | －． 07 |
| EMAIL | 569 | 3.50 | 3.37 | 3.37 | 3.38 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 68 | ． 75 | ． 75 | ． 75 | 586 | 583 | 571 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 17 | ． 17 | ． 16 |
| FACGRADE | 569 | 2.88 | 2.80 | 2.79 | 2.81 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 87 | ． 88 | ． 88 | ． 88 | 44，591 | 53，832 | 324，145 | ． 024 | ． 013 | ． 058 | ． 10 | ． 10 | ． 08 |
| FACPLANS | 570 | 2.44 | 2.36 | 2.36 | 2.42 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 95 | ． 96 | ． 95 | ． 96 | 44，601 | 53，830 | 324，165 | ． 062 | ． 054 | ． 670 | ． 08 | ． 08 | ． 02 |
| FACIDEAS | 570 | 2.04 | 2.06 | 2.07 | 2.12 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 93 | ． 93 | ． 92 | ． 93 | 44，629 | 53，875 | 324，337 | ． 647 | ． 577 | ． 054 | －． 02 | －． 02 | －． 08 |
| FACFEED | 558 | 2.71 | 2.73 | 2.74 | 2.80 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 79 | ． 82 | ． 81 | ． 81 | 44，003 | 53，147 | 320，931 | ． 538 | ． 273 | ． 008 | －． 03 | －． 05 | －． 11 |
| WORKHARD | 559 | 2.71 | 2.72 | 2.71 | 2.73 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 86 | ． 85 | ． 85 | ． 85 | 43，977 | 53，110 | 320，658 | ． 782 | ． 870 | ． 465 | －． 01 | －． 01 | －． 03 |
| FACOTHER | 559 | 1.86 | 1.79 | 1.80 | 1.84 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 98 | ． 93 | ． 94 | ． 95 | 43，935 | 53，069 | 320，414 | ． 085 | ． 168 | ． 730 | ． 07 | ． 06 | ． 01 |
| OOCIDEAS | 556 | 2.81 | 2.83 | 2.85 | 2.84 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 84 | ． 86 | ． 86 | ． 85 | 43，968 | 53，098 | 320，393 | ． 521 | ． 262 | ． 336 | －． 03 | －． 05 | －． 04 |
| DIVRSTUD | 558 | 2.65 | 2.67 | 2.67 | 2.67 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 98 | ． 99 | ． 99 | ． 99 | 43，971 | 53，120 | 320，536 | ． 496 | ． 549 | ． 588 | －． 03 | －． 03 | －． 02 |
| DIFFSTU2 | 558 | 2.78 | 2.70 | 2.68 | 2.71 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 92 | ． 97 | ． 98 | ． 96 | 574 | 571 | 560 | ． 065 | ． 013 | ． 113 | ． 07 | ． 10 | ． 06 |
| MEMORIZE | 550 | 2.88 | 2.80 | 2.79 | 2.75 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 94 | ． 91 | ． 91 | ． 92 | 43，698 | 52，803 | 318，822 | ． 043 | ． 020 | ． 001 | ． 09 | ． 10 | ． 14 |
| ANALYZE | 549 | 3.15 | 3.21 | 3.23 | 3.24 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 79 | ． 76 | ． 75 | ． 75 | 43，614 | 52，697 | 318，456 | ． 062 | ． 014 | ． 002 | －． 08 | －． 11 | －． 13 |
| SYNTHESZ | 549 | 2.92 | 3.00 | 3.01 | 3.05 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 86 | ． 85 | ． 84 | ． 83 | 43，502 | 559 | 550 | ． 040 | ． 013 | ． 000 | －． 09 | －． 11 | －． 16 |
| EVALUATE | 547 | 2.96 | 2.96 | 2.97 | 3.01 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 88 | ． 89 | ． 88 | ． 87 | 43，611 | 52，691 | 318，204 | ． 938 | ． 759 | ． 199 | ． 00 | －． 01 | －． 05 |
| APPLYING | 550 | 3.13 | 3.17 | 3.19 | 3.19 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 85 | ． 84 | ． 83 | ． 82 | 43，612 | 52，704 | 318，390 | ． 192 | ． 101 | ． 057 | －． 06 | －． 07 | －． 08 |
| READASGN | 554 | 3.13 | 3.09 | 3.12 | 3.20 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | 1.02 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 1.02 | 43，569 | 52，642 | 317，856 | ． 410 | ． 941 | ． 104 | ． 04 | ． 00 | －． 07 |

[^8]${ }^{d}$ 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．
${ }^{\mathrm{f}}$ Effect size is calculated by subtracting the comparison group mean from the school mean，and dividing the result by the pooled standard deviation．

| READOWN | 554 | 2.12 | 2.18 | 2.18 | 2.19 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | 1.00 | ． 99 | ． 98 | ． 98 | 43，579 | 52，648 | 318，052 | ． 181 | ． 133 | ． 096 | －． 06 | －． 06 | －． 07 |
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| WRITEMOR | 554 | 1.59 | 1.61 | 1.61 | 1.64 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 77 | ． 80 | ． 79 | ． 79 | 43，597 | 52，677 | 317，996 | ． 587 | ． 557 | ． 150 | －． 02 | －． 03 | －． 06 |
| WRITEMID | 554 | 2.60 | 2.47 | 2.48 | 2.58 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 99 | ． 95 | ． 95 | ． 96 | 43，612 | 52，685 | 318，095 | ． 002 | ． 006 | ． 709 | ． 13 | ． 12 | ． 02 |
| WRITESML | 554 | 3.35 | 2.88 | 2.94 | 3.00 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.19 | 1.17 | 1.17 | 1.16 | 566 | 564 | 555 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 40 | ． 34 | $.30_{4}$ |

## National Survey <br> of Student Engagement

## NSSE 2008 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$

Western Michigan University
Seniors

|  | N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  | $\text { Effect Size }{ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
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|  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & 3 \end{aligned}$ | $\sum_{3}^{2}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ö } \\ & \text { n} \\ & \text { 侖 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | WMU pared $w$吡 皆㗊 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { © } \\ & \text { O} \\ & \text { H} \\ & \text { ñ } \end{aligned}$ |  | WMU pared with： <br>  |  |
| PROBSETA | 551 | 2.56 | 2.63 | 2.64 | 2.61 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.27 | 1.22 | 1.22 | 1.21 | 43，302 | 52，307 | 552 | ． 221 | ． 133 | ． 392 | －． 05 | －． 06 | －． 04 |
| PROBSETB | 549 | 2.68 | 2.37 | 2.37 | 2.35 | ． 06 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.30 | 1.22 | 1.22 | 1.21 | 561 | 559 | 550 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 26 | ． 26 | ． 27 |
| EXAMS | 552 | 5.09 | 5.43 | 5.43 | 5.39 | ． 06 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.35 | 1.27 | 1.26 | 1.29 | 43，473 | 52，547 | 317，437 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 27 | －． 27 | －． 23 |
| ATDART07 | 545 | 2.14 | 1.99 | 2.04 | 2.07 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 94 | ． 89 | ． 90 | ． 91 | 557 | 555 | 315，185 | ． 000 | ． 017 | ． 078 | ． 17 | ． 11 | ． 08 |
| EXRCSE05 | 544 | 2.77 | 2.64 | 2.68 | 2.68 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 1.03 | 1.05 | 43，019 | 52，014 | 314，641 | ． 004 | ． 048 | ． 046 | ． 12 | ． 09 | ． 09 |
| WORSHP05 | 544 | 1.98 | 2.15 | 2.28 | 2.11 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.02 | 1.13 | 1.18 | 1.12 | 560 | 559 | 546 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 002 | －． 15 | －． 25 | －． 12 |
| OWNVIEW | 546 | 2.66 | 2.67 | 2.70 | 2.68 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 86 | ． 90 | ． 89 | ． 89 | 43，061 | 52，057 | 314，982 | ． 884 | ． 390 | ． 581 | －． 01 | －． 04 | －． 02 |
| OTHRVIEW | 543 | 2.85 | 2.80 | 2.82 | 2.83 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 85 | ． 86 | ． 86 | ． 85 | 43，074 | 52，083 | 315，015 | ． 143 | ． 331 | ． 562 | ． 06 | ． 04 | ． 02 |
| CHNGVIEW | 545 | 2.89 | 2.84 | 2.88 | 2.89 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 80 | ． 82 | ． 82 | ． 82 | 43，048 | 52，048 | 315，069 | ． 211 | ． 698 | ． 972 | ． 05 | ． 02 | ． 00 |
| INTERN04 | 543 | ． 68 | ． 50 | ． 51 | ． 53 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 47 | ． 50 | ． 50 | ． 50 | 558 | 555 | 544 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 37 | ． 33 | ． 30 |
| VOLNTR04 | 540 | ． 64 | ． 57 | ． 60 | ． 60 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 48 | ． 50 | ． 49 | ． 49 | 553 | 551 | 541 | ． 001 | ． 070 | ． 048 | ． 14 | ． 08 | ． 08 |
| LRNCOM04 | 543 | ． 30 | ． 24 | ． 26 | ． 26 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 46 | ． 43 | ． 44 | ． 44 | 554 | 553 | 544 | ． 003 | ． 028 | ． 036 | ． 14 | ． 10 | ． 09 |
| RESRCH04 | 543 | ． 17 | ． 19 | ． 20 | ． 20 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 38 | ． 39 | ． 40 | ． 40 | 42，511 | 555 | 544 | ． 487 | ． 137 | ． 133 | －． 03 | －． 06 | －． 06 |
| FORLNG04 | 542 | ． 36 | ． 41 | ． 43 | ． 41 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 48 | ． 49 | ． 50 | ． 49 | 556 | 553 | 543 | ． 014 | ． 000 | ． 006 | －． 10 | －． 15 | －． 11 |
| STDABR04 | 541 | ． 12 | ． 11 | ． 13 | ． 15 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 32 | ． 31 | ． 33 | ． 36 | 42，506 | 51，394 | 542 | ． 518 | ． 413 | ． 014 | ． 03 | －． 04 | －． 09 |
| INDSTD04 | 541 | ． 13 | ． 16 | ． 17 | ． 18 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 34 | ． 36 | ． 37 | ． 39 | 556 | 554 | 542 | ． 165 | ． 032 | ． 001 | －． 06 | －． 09 | －． 13 |
| SNRX04 | 543 | ． 36 | ． 28 | ． 30 | ． 32 | ． 02 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 48 | ． 45 | ． 46 | ． 47 | 554 | 553 | 544 | ． 000 | ． 006 | ． 111 | ． 17 | ． 13 | ． 07 |
| ENVSTU | 541 | 5.58 | 5.54 | 5.56 | 5.59 | ． 06 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.35 | 1.40 | 1.38 | 1.37 | 42，593 | 51，506 | 311，188 | ． 524 | ． 817 | ． 827 | ． 03 | ． 01 | －． 01 |
| ENVFAC | 540 | 5.29 | 5.23 | 5.27 | 5.41 | ． 06 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.33 | 1.40 | 1.39 | 1.37 | 42，635 | 51，550 | 311，340 | ． 378 | ． 731 | ． 039 | ． 04 | ． 01 | －． 09 |
| ENVADM | 540 | 4.22 | 4.45 | 4.45 | 4.53 | ． 07 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.71 | 1.70 | 1.69 | 1.69 | 42，561 | 51，470 | 310，949 | ． 002 | ． 002 | ． 000 | －． 13 | －． 14 | －． 18 |
| ACADPR01 | 536 | 3.97 | 4.08 | 4.14 | 4.14 | ． 07 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.70 | 1.76 | 1.76 | 1.74 | 42，296 | 51，142 | 309，114 | ． 178 | ． 027 | ． 025 | －． 06 | －． 10 | －． 10 |
| WORKON01 | 538 | 1.95 | 1.78 | 1.88 | 1.79 | ． 07 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.67 | 1.66 | 1.69 | 1.55 | 550 | 51，165 | 538 | ． 026 | ． 346 | ． 031 | ． 10 | ． 04 | ． 10 |
| WORKOF01 | 535 | 3.80 | 3.79 | 3.61 | 3.79 | ． 11 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 01 | 2.64 | 2.82 | 2.77 | 2.81 | 550 | 547 | 537 | ． 965 | ． 114 | ． 968 | ． 00 | ． 07 | ． 00 |
| COCURR01 | 537 | 2.14 | 2.03 | 2.06 | 2.11 | ． 06 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.47 | 1.47 | 1.47 | 1.55 | 42，320 | 51，178 | 309，211 | ． 078 | ． 238 | ． 629 | ． 08 | ． 05 | ． 02 |

[^9]${ }^{\text {c }}$ 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．
${ }^{\text {e }}$ 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．

| SOCIAL05 | 536 | 3.60 | 3.55 | 3.52 | 3.49 | ． 07 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.54 | 1.57 | 1.55 | 1.54 | 42，281 | 51，128 | 308，733 | ． 419 | ． 207 | ． 087 | ． 04 | ． 05 | ． 07 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| CAREDE01 | 535 | 1.78 | 2.35 | 2.27 | 2.38 | ． 08 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | 1.77 | 2.26 | 2.18 | 2.31 | 557 | 552 | 538 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 25 | －． 23 | －． 26 |
| COMMUTE | 536 | 2.39 | 2.43 | 2.39 | 2.36 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 90 | 1.03 | 1.00 | 1.05 | 553 | 549 | 537 | ． 254 | ． 871 | ． 566 | －． 04 | －． 01 | ． 02 |
| ENVSCHOL | 531 | 2.95 | 3.11 | 3.14 | 3.14 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 80 | ． 78 | ． 77 | ． 77 | 41，975 | 50，784 | 306，746 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 20 | －． 25 | －． 24 |
| ENVSUPRT | 530 | 2.73 | 2.85 | 2.88 | 2.93 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 84 | ． 86 | ． 85 | ． 84 | 41，949 | 50，727 | 531 | ． 001 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 14 | －． 18 | －． 24 |
| ENVDIVRS | 530 | 2.28 | 2.47 | 2.46 | 2.50 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 96 | 1.00 | ． 99 | ． 99 | 544 | 541 | 531 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 19 | －． 19 | －． 23 |
| ENVNACAD | 530 | 1.73 | 1.90 | 1.96 | 1.99 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 87 | ． 93 | ． 95 | ． 94 | 41，840 | 50，627 | 305，854 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 19 | －． 24 | －． 28 |
| ENVSOCAL | 526 | 2.09 | 2.18 | 2.24 | 2.23 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 93 | ． 93 | ． 95 | ． 94 | 41，804 | 536 | 305，194 | ． 025 | ． 000 | ． 001 | －． 10 | －． 16 | －． 15 |

National Survey
of Student Engagement

NSSE 2008 Detailed Statistics ${ }^{\text {a }}$
Western Michigan University
Seniors

| N | Mean |  |  |  | Standard Error of the Mean ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  | Standard Deviation ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  | Degrees of Freedom ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  | Significance ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  | Effect Size ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | $\sum_{3}^{2}$ |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { © } \\ & \text { D } \\ & \text { N } \\ & \text { ñ } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 2 \\ & 3 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 00 \\ & \stackrel{\sim}{0} \\ & \text { H } \\ & \tilde{Z} \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  | WMU pared趷 皆登 |  |  | WMU pared with：哭 热答 |  |
| 528 | 2.52 | 2.59 | 2.65 | 2.61 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 91 | ． 95 | ． 96 | ． 96 | 41，844 | 50，628 | 529 | ． 088 | ． 001 | ． 015 | －． 07 | －． 14 | －． 10 |
| 530 | 3.43 | 3.46 | 3.48 | 3.46 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 75 | ． 74 | ． 73 | ． 74 | 41，965 | 50，769 | 306，441 | ． 268 | ． 076 | ． 317 | －． 05 | －． 08 | －． 04 |
| 524 | 3.12 | 3.24 | 3.27 | 3.29 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 81 | ． 80 | ． 79 | ． 79 | 41，460 | 50，154 | 303，202 | ． 001 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 15 | －． 19 | －． 22 |
| 524 | 3.02 | 3.03 | 3.06 | 3.07 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 94 | ． 94 | ． 93 | ． 93 | 41，412 | 50，093 | 302，788 | ． 838 | ． 326 | ． 222 | －． 01 | －． 04 | －． 05 |
| 524 | 3.03 | 3.02 | 3.04 | 3.11 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 85 | ． 89 | ． 88 | ． 86 | 41，388 | 50，072 | 302，938 | ． 882 | ． 748 | ． 019 | ． 01 | －． 01 | －． 10 |
| 524 | 2.89 | 2.93 | 2.94 | 3.00 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 90 | ． 92 | ． 91 | ． 90 | 41，379 | 50，049 | 302，812 | ． 372 | ． 237 | ． 004 | －． 04 | －． 05 | －． 13 |
| 521 | 3.21 | 3.32 | 3.35 | 3.36 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 78 | ． 77 | ． 76 | ． 76 | 41，386 | 50，056 | 302，715 | ． 002 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 14 | －． 17 | －． 19 |
| 525 | 2.89 | 3.09 | 3.12 | 3.08 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 90 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 88 | 41，375 | 50，042 | 302，416 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 23 | －． 26 | －． 22 |
| 524 | 3.14 | 3.24 | 3.25 | 3.22 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 83 | ． 85 | ． 84 | ． 85 | 41，427 | 50，107 | 302，950 | ． 010 | ． 004 | ． 037 | －． 11 | －． 13 | －． 09 |
| 524 | 3.16 | 3.12 | 3.14 | 3.17 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 85 | ． 88 | ． 87 | ． 85 | 41，381 | 50，049 | 302，707 | ． 285 | ． 666 | ． 810 | ． 05 | ． 02 | －． 01 |
| 512 | 1.94 | 2.07 | 2.08 | 2.11 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 98 | 1.04 | 1.04 | 1.05 | 526 | 523 | 513 | ． 003 | ． 001 | ． 000 | －． 13 | －． 14 | －． 16 |
| 514 | 2.90 | 3.01 | 3.03 | 3.05 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 90 | ． 89 | ． 88 | ． 88 | 40，931 | 49，556 | 299，359 | ． 010 | ． 001 | ． 000 | －． 11 | －． 14 | －． 16 |
| 514 | 2.68 | 2.73 | 2.78 | 2.83 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 1.01 | 1.00 | 40，901 | 49，522 | 515 | ． 224 | ． 026 | ． 001 | －． 05 | －． 10 | －． 15 |
| 514 | 2.50 | 2.60 | 2.59 | 2.64 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 99 | 1.00 | 1.00 | ． 99 | 40，870 | 49，502 | 299，343 | ． 026 | ． 029 | ． 001 | －． 10 | －． 10 | －． 15 |
| 513 | 2.68 | 2.75 | 2.78 | 2.78 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 96 | ． 96 | ． 95 | ． 95 | 40，914 | 49，536 | 299，432 | ． 092 | ． 014 | ． 019 | －． 07 | －． 11 | －． 10 |
| 514 | 2.58 | 2.61 | 2.71 | 2.71 | ． 05 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | 1.06 | 1.04 | 1.05 | 1.03 | 40，901 | 49，523 | 515 | ． 611 | ． 007 | ． 006 | －． 02 | －． 12 | －． 13 |
| 512 | 2.24 | 2.39 | 2.48 | 2.48 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 00 | 1.01 | 1.02 | 1.03 | 1.02 | 40，896 | 523 | 513 | ． 001 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 15 | －． 24 | －． 24 |
| 513 | 1.73 | 1.84 | 2.02 | 1.96 | ． 04 | ． 01 | ． 01 | ． 00 | ． 99 | 1.04 | 1.14 | 1.09 | 527 | 527 | 515 | ． 008 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 11 | －． 26 | －． 21 |
| 517 | 2.63 | 2.74 | 2.77 | 2.85 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 96 | ． 96 | ． 96 | ． 95 | 41，299 | 49，981 | 518 | ． 010 | ． 002 | ． 000 | －． 11 | －． 14 | －． 23 |
| 517 | 3.01 | 3.13 | 3.18 | 3.21 | ． 03 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 74 | ． 74 | ． 75 | ． 74 | 530 | 527 | 518 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 16 | －． 22 | －． 26 |
| 516 | 2.95 | 3.16 | 3.19 | 3.20 | ． 04 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 00 | ． 94 | ． 87 | ． 87 | ． 86 | 41，288 | 49，967 | 302，269 | ． 000 | ． 000 | ． 000 | －． 24 | －． 28 | －． 30 |

${ }^{\mathrm{a}}$ All statistics are weighted by gender，enrollment status，and institutional size．
The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus／minus the product of 1.96 times the standard error of the mean．
${ }^{c}$ A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．
${ }^{\text {d }}$ Degrees of freedom used to compute the t －tests．Values differ from the total Ns due to weighting and the equal variances assumption．
${ }^{\mathrm{e}}$ 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．

## National Survey of Student Engagement

## Western Michigan University

Frequency Distributions
August 2008

## 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. and the Mean Comparisons report.

Benchmark
Items that comprise 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

## Response Options

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

## 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/2008_Institutional_Report/NSSE_2008_Weighting.cfm.

## Class

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


|  | National Survey of Student Engagement |  |  |  | NSSE 2008 Engagement Item Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Western Michigan University |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 1a. | Asked questions in class or | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CLQUEST } \\ & \text { (ACL) } \end{aligned}$ | Never |  | 58 | 6\% | 773 | 5\% | 1,012 | 5\% | 6,303 | 4\% | 13 | 2\% | 570 | 3\% | 706 | 3\% | 3,767 | 2\% |
|  | contributed to class |  | Sometimes |  | 410 | 45\% | 6,933 | 42\% | 9,353 | 42\% | 65,401 | 37\% | 165 | 28\% | 5,793 | 31\% | 7,523 | 31\% | 47,216 | 27\% |
|  | discussions |  | Often |  | 293 | 33\% | 5,534 | 34\% | 7,637 | 34\% | 64,524 | 35\% | 196 | 34\% | 6,332 | 33\% | 8,208 | 33\% | 62,516 | 33\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 139 | 15\% | 3,011 | 19\% | 4,301 | 19\% | 44,707 | 24\% | 208 | 36\% | 6,137 | 33\% | 8,032 | 33\% | 78,303 | 38\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 900 | 100\% | 16,251 | 100\% | 22,303 | 100\% | 180,935 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 18,832 | 100\% | 24,469 | 100\% | 191,802 | 100\% |
| 1 b . | Made a class presentation | CLPRESEN (ACL) | Never |  | 201 | 23\% | 3,007 | 18\% | 3,961 | 18\% | 23,290 | 15\% | 19 | 3\% | 1,233 | 7\% | 1,446 | 6\% | 8,433 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 524 | 57\% | 8,890 | 54\% | 12,280 | 54\% | 95,856 | 52\% | 194 | 33\% | 7,234 | 38\% | 9,240 | 38\% | 61,697 | 34\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 155 | 17\% | 3,322 | 21\% | 4,624 | 21\% | 46,834 | 25\% | 218 | 38\% | 6,407 | 33\% | 8,512 | 34\% | 72,442 | 36\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 22 | 3\% | 1,008 | 7\% | 1,401 | 7\% | 14,566 | 8\% | 151 | 26\% | 3,954 | 22\% | 5,271 | 22\% | 49,059 | 24\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 902 | 100\% | 16,227 | 100\% | 22,266 | 100\% | 180,546 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 18,828 | 100\% | 24,469 | 100\% | 191,631 | 100\% |
|  | Prepared two or more drafts of | REWROPAP | Never |  | 129 | 15\% | 2,416 | 14\% | 3,455 | 15\% | 23,556 | 13\% | 111 | 19\% | 3,234 | 17\% | 4,371 | 17\% | 31,036 | 16\% |
|  | a paper or assignment before |  | Sometimes |  | 302 | 33\% | 5,120 | 32\% | 7,219 | 32\% | 58,071 | 31\% | 242 | 41\% | 7,313 | 38\% | 9,689 | 39\% | 74,801 | 38\% |
|  | turning it in |  | Often |  | 296 | 34\% | 5,208 | 32\% | 7,049 | 32\% | 58,808 | 32\% | 134 | 23\% | 5,012 | 27\% | 6,384 | 27\% | 50,328 | 27\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 173 | 19\% | 3,493 | 23\% | 4,556 | 22\% | 40,291 | 23\% | 97 | 17\% | 3,254 | 18\% | 4,009 | 17\% | 35,486 | 18\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 900 | 100\% | 16,237 | 100\% | 22,279 | 100\% | 180,726 | 100\% | 584 | 100\% | 18,813 | 100\% | 24,453 | 100\% | 191,651 | 100\% |
| 1d. | Worked on a paper or project | INTEGRAT | Never |  | 35 | 4\% | 478 | 3\% | 581 | 3\% | 3,605 | 2\% | 3 | 0\% | 315 | 2\% | 378 | 2\% | 1,926 | 1\% |
|  | that required integrating ideas |  | Sometimes |  | 219 | 25\% | 3,828 | 23\% | 5,159 | 23\% | 36,516 | 21\% | 89 | 16\% | 2,855 | 15\% | 3,655 | 15\% | 23,137 | 13\% |
|  | or information from various |  | Often |  | 419 | 46\% | 7,316 | 45\% | 10,056 | 45\% | 82,043 | 45\% | 208 | 36\% | 7,657 | 40\% | 9,887 | 40\% | 74,886 | 40\% |
|  | sources |  | Very often |  | 226 | 25\% | 4,630 | 29\% | 6,504 | 30\% | 58,627 | 32\% | 282 | 48\% | 7,997 | 43\% | 10,539 | 43\% | 91,707 | 46\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 899 | 100\% | 16,252 | 100\% | 22,300 | 100\% | 180,791 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 18,824 | 100\% | 24,459 | 100\% | 191,656 | 100\% |
| 1 e. | Included diverse perspectives | DIVCLASS | Never |  | 87 | 10\% | 1,179 | 8\% | 1,577 | 7\% | 10,742 | 7\% | 39 | 7\% | 1,857 | 10\% | 2,328 | 10\% | 12,000 | 7\% |
|  | (different races, religions, |  | Sometimes |  | 317 | 35\% | 5,185 | 32\% | 7,177 | 32\% | 57,270 | 32\% | 177 | 30\% | 6,218 | 32\% | 8,199 | 33\% | 59,086 | 31\% |
|  | genders, political beliefs, etc.) |  | Often |  | 343 | 38\% | 6,269 | 38\% | 8,591 | 38\% | 70,559 | 38\% | 214 | 37\% | 6,065 | 32\% | 7,910 | 32\% | 66,394 | 34\% |
|  | in class discussions or writing assignments |  | Very often |  | 149 | 16\% | 3,589 | 23\% | 4,912 | 22\% | 41,949 | 23\% | 150 | 26\% | 4,657 | 25\% | 5,984 | 25\% | 53,899 | 27\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 896 | 100\% | 16,222 | 100\% | 22,257 | 100\% | 180,520 | 100\% | 580 | 100\% | 18,797 | 100\% | 24,421 | 100\% | 191,379 | 100\% |
| 1 f . | Come to class without | CLUNPREP | Never |  | 188 | 21\% | 3,262 | 21\% | 4,516 | 21\% | 43,364 | 23\% | 88 | 15\% | 3,233 | 17\% | 4,041 | 17\% | 38,943 | 20\% |
|  | completing readings or |  | Sometimes |  | 528 | 58\% | 9,623 | 59\% | 13,134 | 59\% | 105,159 | 58\% | 329 | 57\% | 10,960 | 58\% | 14,256 | 58\% | 111,495 | 58\% |
|  | assignments |  | Often |  | 133 | 15\% | 2,310 | 14\% | 3,187 | 15\% | 22,109 | 13\% | 113 | 19\% | 3,109 | 17\% | 4,129 | 17\% | 27,379 | 15\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 52 | 6\% | 959 | 6\% | 1,335 | 6\% | 9,225 | 6\% | 49 | 9\% | 1,457 | 8\% | 1,937 | 8\% | 12,984 | 7\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 901 | 100\% | 16,154 | 100\% | 22,172 | 100\% | 179,857 | 100\% | 579 | 100\% | 18,759 | 100\% | 24,363 | 100\% | 190,801 | 100\% |
| 1 g . | Worked with other students | $\begin{aligned} & \text { CLASSGRP } \\ & \text { (ACL) } \end{aligned}$ | Never |  | 89 | 9\% | 1,885 | 12\% | 2,806 | 12\% | 22,791 | 13\% | 43 | 8\% | 2,128 | 11\% | 2,768 | 11\% | 20,336 | 11\% |
|  | on projects during class |  | Sometimes |  | 390 | 43\% | 7,359 | 45\% | 10,173 | 46\% | 82,514 | 45\% | 245 | 42\% | 8,070 | 42\% | 10,831 | 43\% | 82,650 | 43\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 321 | 36\% | 5,229 | 32\% | 6,922 | 31\% | 56,749 | 32\% | 186 | 32\% | 5,610 | 30\% | 7,136 | 30\% | 58,761 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 101 | 12\% | 1,748 | 11\% | 2,358 | 11\% | 18,469 | 11\% | 108 | 18\% | 2,999 | 16\% | 3,700 | 16\% | 29,738 | 16\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 901 | 100\% | 16,221 | 100\% | 22,259 | 100\% | 180,523 | 100\% | 582 | 100\% | 18,807 | 100\% | 24,435 | 100\% | 191,485 | 100\% |
|  | Worked with classmates | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { OCCGRP } \\ \text { (ACL) } \end{gathered}$ | Never |  | 159 | 17\% | 2,115 | 14\% | 2,606 | 13\% | 21,887 | 14\% | 29 | 5\% | 1,267 | 7\% | 1,498 | 7\% | 13,213 | 7\% |
|  | outside of class to prepare |  | Sometimes |  | 394 | 43\% | 7,115 | 44\% | 9,533 | 44\% | 78,472 | 44\% | 194 | 33\% | 5,976 | 33\% | 7,665 | 32\% | 64,740 | 34\% |
|  | class assignments |  | Often |  | 238 | 27\% | 4,902 | 29\% | 7,051 | 30\% | 57,242 | 30\% | 196 | 34\% | 6,317 | $33 \%$ | 8,362 | 33\% | 66,668 | 34\% |

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|  |  |  |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 810 | 100\% | 14,786 | 100\% | 20,297 | 100\% | 166,325 | 100\% | 554 | 100\% | 17,663 | 100\% | 23,041 | 100\% | 182,723 | 100\% |
| 3d. | Number of written papers or | WRITEMID | None |  | 96 | 12\% | 2,407 | 16\% | 3,006 | 15\% | 20,355 | 14\% | 52 | 10\% | 1,991 | 12\% | 2,441 | 11\% | 14,759 | 9\% |
|  | reports between 5 and 19 | (LAC) | 1-4 |  | 446 | 56\% | 8,219 | 55\% | 10,970 | 55\% | 87,713 | 53\% | 240 | 43\% | 8,401 | 48\% | 10,641 | 47\% | 77,319 | 44\% |
|  | pages |  | 5-10 |  | 203 | 24\% | 3,320 | 22\% | 4,934 | 23\% | 44,527 | 25\% | 166 | 30\% | 4,856 | 27\% | 6,577 | 28\% | 59,641 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | 11-20 |  | 47 | 5\% | 670 | 5\% | 1,126 | 5\% | 11,273 | 6\% | 70 | 12\% | 1,728 | 10\% | 2,432 | 10\% | 22,515 | 11\% |
|  |  |  | More than 20 |  | 16 | 2\% | 179 | 1\% | 276 | 2\% | 2,543 | 2\% | 26 | 5\% | 694 | 4\% | 955 | 4\% | 8,531 | 4\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 808 | 100\% | 14,795 | 100\% | 20,312 | 100\% | 166,411 | 100\% | 554 | 100\% | 17,670 | 100\% | 23,046 | 100\% | 182,765 | 100\% |
|  | Number of written papers or | WRITESML | None |  | 13 | 2\% | 510 | 4\% | 594 | 4\% | 4,317 | 3\% | 16 | 3\% | 1,310 | 8\% | 1,558 | 7\% | 10,562 | 6\% |
|  | reports of fewer than 5 pages | (LAC) | 1-4 |  | 204 | 25\% | 5,152 | 34\% | 6,487 | 32\% | 48,469 | 31\% | 150 | 27\% | 6,462 | 37\% | 7,977 | 35\% | 59,078 | 34\% |
|  |  |  | 5-10 |  | 273 | 34\% | 5,019 | 33\% | 7,045 | 34\% | 57,780 | 34\% | 140 | 25\% | 4,753 | 26\% | 6,306 | 27\% | 51,500 | 28\% |
|  |  |  | 11-20 |  | 203 | 24\% | 2,715 | 18\% | 4,034 | 19\% | 36,778 | 21\% | 116 | 21\% | 2,791 | 15\% | 3,912 | 17\% | 34,074 | 18\% |
|  |  |  | More than 20 |  | 117 | 15\% | 1,410 | 10\% | 2,165 | 10\% | 19,203 | 11\% | 132 | 23\% | 2,345 | 13\% | 3,282 | 14\% | 27,570 | 14\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 810 | 100\% | 14,806 | 100\% | 20,325 | 100\% | 166,547 | 100\% | 554 | 100\% | 17,661 | 100\% | 23,035 | 100\% | 182,784 | 100\% |
|  | Number of problem sets that take you more than an hour to complete | PROBSETA | None |  | 97 | 12\% | 1,800 | 13\% | 2,449 | 13\% | 21,229 | 13\% | 130 | 23\% | 3,266 | 19\% | 4,207 | 18\% | 36,760 | 19\% |
|  |  |  | 1-2 |  | 305 | 38\% | 5,161 | 35\% | 6,903 | 35\% | 57,760 | 35\% | 160 | 29\% | 5,545 | 32\% | 7,174 | 32\% | 56,752 | 32\% |
|  |  |  | 3-4 |  | 249 | 30\% | 4,744 | 32\% | 6,573 | 32\% | 53,385 | 32\% | 147 | 27\% | 5,012 | 29\% | 6,574 | 29\% | 51,387 | 29\% |
|  |  |  | 5-6 |  | 76 | 9\% | 1,500 | 10\% | 2,162 | 10\% | 17,524 | 10\% | 49 | 9\% | 1,597 | 9\% | 2,155 | 9\% | 17,175 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | More than 6 |  | 81 | 10\% | 1,554 | 10\% | 2,162 | 10\% | 15,731 | 10\% | 65 | 12\% | 2,120 | 12\% | 2,760 | 12\% | 19,256 | 11\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 808 | 100\% | 14,759 | 100\% | 20,249 | 100\% | 165,629 | 100\% | 551 | 100\% | 17,540 | 100\% | 22,870 | 100\% | 181,330 | 100\% |
| 4b. | Number of problem sets that take you less than an hour to complete | PROBSETB | None |  | 71 | 9\% | 1,661 | 12\% | 2,366 | 12\% | 22,228 | 13\% | 102 | 19\% | 4,656 | 27\% | 6,077 | 27\% | 50,159 | 27\% |
|  |  |  | 1-2 |  | 243 | 30\% | 5,309 | 36\% | 7,259 | 36\% | 57,673 | 36\% | 187 | 34\% | 6,329 | 36\% | 8,293 | 36\% | 63,604 | 36\% |
|  |  |  | 3-4 |  | 243 | 30\% | 4,055 | 27\% | 5,565 | 27\% | 45,494 | 27\% | 123 | 22\% | 3,544 | 20\% | 4,641 | 20\% | 37,668 | 21\% |
|  |  |  | 5-6 |  | 111 | 13\% | 1,678 | 12\% | 2,313 | 12\% | 19,797 | 12\% | 56 | 10\% | 1,298 | 7\% | 1,695 | 7\% | 13,978 | 8\% |
|  |  |  | More than 6 |  | 141 | 18\% | 2,020 | 14\% | 2,692 | 13\% | 20,079 | 12\% | 82 | 15\% | 1,663 | 10\% | 2,099 | 9\% | 15,336 | 9\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 809 | 100\% | 14,723 | 100\% | 20,195 | 100\% | 165,271 | 100\% | 550 | 100\% | 17,490 | 100\% | 22,805 | 100\% | 180,745 | 100\% |
| 5. | Select the circle that best represents the extent to which your examinations during the current school year challenged you to do your best work | EXAMS | 1 Very little |  | 6 | 1\% | 88 | 1\% | 130 | 1\% | 1,039 | 1\% | 9 | 2\% | 192 | 1\% | 236 | 1\% | 2,212 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | 兂 |  | 11 | 2\% | 201 | 1\% | 270 | 1\% | 2,020 | 1\% | 16 | 3\% | 315 | 2\% | 418 | 2\% | 3,429 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | 3 |  | 30 | 4\% | 531 | 4\% | 711 | 4\% | 5,937 | 4\% | 40 | 7\% | 728 | 4\% | 946 | 4\% | 7,557 | 4\% |
|  |  |  | 4 |  | 142 | 18\% | 1,890 | 13\% | 2,443 | 13\% | 20,790 | 13\% | 89 | 16\% | 2,164 | 12\% | 2,795 | 12\% | 22,104 | 12\% |
|  |  |  | 5 |  | 288 | 35\% | 4,419 | 30\% | 5,937 | 30\% | 50,039 | 30\% | 173 | 31\% | 5,006 | 28\% | 6,572 | 28\% | 52,056 | 28\% |
|  |  |  | 6 |  | 218 | 27\% | 4,790 | 31\% | 6,748 | 32\% | 54,886 | 32\% | 146 | 26\% | 5,489 | 31\% | 7,266 | 32\% | 57,693 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | 7 Very much |  | 117 | 14\% | 2,871 | 19\% | 4,067 | 20\% | 31,547 | 19\% | 79 | 14\% | 3,730 | 21\% | 4,764 | 21\% | 37,290 | 21\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 812 | 100\% | 14,790 | 100\% | 20,306 | 100\% | 166,258 | 100\% | 552 | 100\% | 17,624 | 100\% | 22,997 | 100\% | 182,341 | 100\% |
|  | Attended an art exhibit, play, dance, music, theater, or other performance | ATDART07 | Never |  | 154 | 20\% | 3,347 | 25\% | 4,221 | 23\% | 32,606 | 23\% | 139 | 26\% | 5,330 | 32\% | 6,398 | 29\% | 47,273 | 28\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 345 | 43\% | 6,729 | 45\% | 9,352 | 45\% | 75,579 | 45\% | 255 | 46\% | 8,091 | 46\% | 10,690 | 46\% | 84,501 | 46\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 159 | 20\% | 2,869 | 19\% | 4,152 | 20\% | 34,912 | 20\% | 85 | 15\% | 2,512 | 14\% | 3,546 | 15\% | 29,819 | 16\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 140 | 17\% | 1,707 | 11\% | 2,391 | 12\% | 21,543 | 12\% | 67 | 12\% | 1,540 | 9\% | 2,177 | 9\% | 19,643 | 10\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 798 | 100\% | 14,652 | 100\% | 20,116 | 100\% | 164,640 | 100\% | 546 | 100\% | 17,473 | 100\% | 22,811 | 100\% | 181,236 | 100\% |

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|  |  |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  | Exercised or participated in | EXRCSE05 | Never |  | 80 | 10\% | 1,541 | 11\% | 1,968 | 10\% | 18,178 | 13\% | 59 | 11\% | 2,294 | 14\% | 2,792 | 13\% | 24,064 | 14\% |
|  | physical fitness activities |  | Sometimes |  | 216 | 27\% | 4,396 | 30\% | 6,003 | 30\% | 45,681 | 28\% | 184 | 33\% | 5,901 | 34\% | 7,532 | 34\% | 57,857 | 32\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 237 | 30\% | 3,987 | 27\% | 5,448 | 27\% | 41,986 | 26\% | 128 | 24\% | 4,249 | 24\% | 5,596 | 24\% | 42,833 | 24\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 261 | 34\% | 4,714 | 32\% | 6,679 | 33\% | 58,517 | 33\% | 174 | 32\% | 5,001 | 27\% | 6,848 | 28\% | 56,156 | 29\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 794 | 100\% | 14,638 | 100\% | 20,098 | 100\% | 164,362 | 100\% | 545 | 100\% | 17,445 | 100\% | 22,768 | 100\% | 180,910 | 100\% |
|  | Participated in activities to enhance your spirituality (worship, meditation, prayer, etc.) | WORSHP05 | Never |  | 433 | 54\% | 5,509 | 40\% | 7,260 | 38\% | 65,875 | 42\% | 221 | 41\% | 6,352 | 38\% | 7,912 | 35\% | 68,537 | 39\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 199 | 25\% | 4,133 | 28\% | 5,476 | 26\% | 46,634 | 27\% | 180 | 33\% | 4,808 | 28\% | 6,098 | 26\% | 52,495 | 28\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 82 | 11\% | 2,286 | 15\% | 3,184 | 15\% | 24,754 | 15\% | 76 | 14\% | 2,672 | 15\% | 3,439 | 15\% | 26,588 | 14\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 80 | 10\% | 2,711 | 17\% | 4,179 | 20\% | 27,189 | 16\% | 68 | 12\% | 3,613 | 19\% | 5,325 | 24\% | 33,330 | 18\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 794 | 100\% | 14,639 | 100\% | 20,099 | 100\% | 164,452 | 100\% | 545 | 100\% | 17,445 | 100\% | 22,774 | 100\% | 180,950 | 100\% |
|  | Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue | OWNVIEW | Never |  | 99 | 13\% | 1,381 | 10\% | 1,776 | 9\% | 14,756 | 10\% | 41 | 7\% | 1,499 | 9\% | 1,833 | 8\% | 13,679 | 8\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 314 | 39\% | 5,640 | 38\% | 7,667 | 37\% | 62,969 | 38\% | 205 | 37\% | 6,226 | 35\% | 8,032 | 35\% | 63,689 | 35\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 267 | 35\% | 5,164 | 35\% | 7,135 | 35\% | 57,705 | 35\% | 199 | 37\% | 6,216 | 35\% | 8,175 | 36\% | 66,172 | 36\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 116 | 14\% | 2,453 | 17\% | 3,522 | 18\% | 29,028 | 18\% | 102 | 19\% | 3,518 | 20\% | 4,743 | 21\% | 37,534 | 20\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 796 | 100\% | 14,638 | 100\% | 20,100 | 100\% | 164,458 | 100\% | 547 | 100\% | 17,459 | 100\% | 22,783 | 100\% | 181,074 | 100\% |
|  | Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective | OTHRVIEW | Never |  | 53 | 7\% | 884 | 7\% | 1,130 | 6\% | 8,861 | 6\% | 30 | 5\% | 946 | 6\% | 1,168 | 5\% | 8,223 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 275 | 34\% | 5,071 | 34\% | 6,849 | 34\% | 55,439 | 34\% | 155 | 28\% | 5,652 | 32\% | 7,239 | 32\% | 55,472 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 310 | 39\% | 5,612 | 38\% | 7,778 | 38\% | 64,131 | 38\% | 226 | 42\% | 6,744 | 39\% | 8,896 | 39\% | 72,871 | 40\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 160 | 20\% | 3,072 | 22\% | 4,338 | 22\% | 36,100 | 22\% | 133 | 25\% | 4,122 | 23\% | 5,489 | 24\% | 44,540 | 24\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 798 | 100\% | 14,639 | 100\% | 20,095 | 100\% | 164,531 | 100\% | 544 | 100\% | 17,464 | 100\% | 22,792 | 100\% | 181,106 | 100\% |
|  | Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept | CHNGVIEW | Never |  | 37 | 5\% | 558 | 4\% | 720 | 4\% | 5,583 | 4\% | 12 | 2\% | 553 | 3\% | 670 | 3\% | 4,905 | 3\% |
|  |  |  | Sometimes |  | 265 | 33\% | 4,937 | 34\% | 6,503 | 33\% | 51,995 | 32\% | 174 | 32\% | 5,612 | 33\% | 7,095 | 31\% | 54,203 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | Often |  | 302 | 38\% | 5,789 | 39\% | 8,007 | 40\% | 66,330 | 40\% | 223 | 41\% | 7,009 | 40\% | 9,203 | 40\% | 74,490 | 41\% |
|  |  |  | Very often |  | 193 | 24\% | 3,359 | 23\% | 4,866 | 24\% | 40,571 | 24\% | 137 | 25\% | 4,275 | 24\% | 5,810 | 25\% | 47,538 | 26\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 797 | 100\% | 14,643 | 100\% | 20,096 | 100\% | 164,479 | 100\% | 546 | 100\% | 17,449 | 100\% | 22,778 | 100\% | 181,136 | 100\% |
|  | Practicum, internship, field experience, co-op experience, or clinical assignment | INTERN04 <br> (EEE) | Have not decided |  | 94 | 12\% | 1,747 | 12\% | 2,235 | 12\% | 19,761 | 13\% | 26 | 5\% | 1,349 | 8\% | 1,608 | 8\% | 12,576 | 8\% |
|  |  |  | Do not plan to do |  | 40 | 5\% | 567 | 5\% | 701 | 4\% | 6,449 | 5\% | 87 | 16\% | 2,740 | 17\% | 3,449 | 16\% | 27,635 | 16\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do |  | 594 | 76\% | 11,069 | 75\% | 15,494 | 76\% | 122,684 | 74\% | 60 | 11\% | 4,083 | 25\% | 4,994 | 25\% | 37,245 | 23\% |
|  |  |  | Done |  | 54 | 7\% | 1,032 | 8\% | 1,369 | 7\% | 13,002 | 8\% | 371 | 68\% | 9,097 | 50\% | 12,486 | 51\% | 101,829 | 53\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 782 | 100\% | 14,415 | 100\% | 19,799 | 100\% | 161,896 | 100\% | 544 | 100\% | 17,269 | 100\% | 22,537 | 100\% | 179,285 | 100\% |
|  | Community service or volunteer work | $\begin{aligned} & \text { VOLNTR04 } \\ & \text { (EEE) } \end{aligned}$ | Have not decided |  | 140 | 19\% | 1,821 | 14\% | 2,231 | 13\% | 20,410 | 14\% | 48 | 9\% | 1,667 | 10\% | 1,948 | 9\% | 15,192 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | Do not plan to do |  | 58 | 9\% | 951 | 8\% | 1,139 | 7\% | 9,766 | 7\% | 97 | 18\% | 2,830 | 18\% | 3,425 | 16\% | 26,752 | 17\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do |  | 288 | 36\% | 6,130 | 41\% | 8,105 | 40\% | 66,091 | 41\% | 47 | 9\% | 2,548 | 15\% | 3,119 | 15\% | 23,966 | 15\% |
|  |  |  | Done |  | 292 | 36\% | 5,479 | 37\% | 8,274 | 40\% | 65,320 | 38\% | 349 | 64\% | 10,200 | 57\% | 14,009 | 60\% | 113,091 | 60\% |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 778 | 100\% | 14,381 | 100\% | 19,749 | 100\% | 161,587 | 100\% | 541 | 100\% | 17,245 | 100\% | 22,501 | 100\% | 179,001 | 100\% |
|  | Participate in a learning community or some other formal program where groups <br> \& . 」 \& . - . <br> ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Column percentages (\%) are | LRNCOM04 <br> (EEE) <br> eighted by gender | Have not decided |  | 262 | 33\% | 4,469 | 30\% | 6,079 | 30\% | 54,864 | 32\% | 55 | 10\% | 2,322 | 14\% | 2,821 | 13\% | 24,070 | 14\% |
|  |  |  | Do not plan to do |  | 175 | 23\% | 3,912 | 27\% | 5,467 | 28\% | 41,351 | 26\% | 296 | 55\% | 9,049 | 53\% | 11,803 | 52\% | 91,853 | 51\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do |  | 192 | 24\% | 3,598 | 25\% | 4,736 | 24\% | 40,878 | 26\% | 27 | 5\% | 1,442 | 9\% | 1,767 | 8\% | 14,040 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | arollment status, and i | tution | e. Bec | use the | nts are no | ot weight | you canno | not calcu | he column | \% \% dire | the c | unts. |  |  |  |  | 24 |  |


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| or students take two or more classes together |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
|  |  | Variable | Response Options | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  |  |  | Done | 148 | 20\% | 2,414 | 17\% | 3,482 | 18\% | 24,528 | 16\% | 166 | 30\% | 4,419 | 24\% | 6,098 | 26\% | 48,905 | 26\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 777 | 100\% | 14,393 | 100\% | 19,764 | 100\% | 161,621 | 100\% | 544 | 100\% | 17,232 | 100\% | 22,489 | 100\% | 178,868 | 100\% |
| 7d. | Work on a research project with a faculty member outside of course or program requirements | RESRCH04 | Have not decided | 300 | 39\% | 5,382 | 37\% | 7,391 | 37\% | 62,182 | 38\% | 70 | 13\% | 2,725 | 17\% | 3,336 | 16\% | 27,350 | 17\% |
|  |  | (SFI) | Do not plan to do | 206 | 26\% | 3,375 | 24\% | 4,416 | 23\% | 37,734 | 24\% | 338 | 62\% | 8,703 | 50\% | 11,356 | 50\% | 92,990 | 51\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do | 215 | 29\% | 4,862 | 33\% | 6,935 | 34\% | 53,282 | 32\% | 41 | 8\% | 2,343 | 14\% | 3,016 | 14\% | 20,589 | 13\% |
|  |  |  | Done | 52 | 7\% | 743 | 5\% | 982 | 5\% | 8,172 | 5\% | 95 | 17\% | 3,453 | 19\% | 4,774 | 20\% | 37,878 | 20\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 773 | 100\% | 14,362 | 100\% | 19,724 | 100\% | 161,370 | 100\% | 544 | 100\% | 17,224 | 100\% | 22,482 | 100\% | 178,807 | 100\% |
| 7 e . | Foreign language coursework | FORLNG04 | Have not decided | 163 | 21\% | 2,641 | 19\% | 3,554 | 19\% | 27,569 | 18\% | 38 | 7\% | 1,332 | 8\% | 1,605 | 7\% | 13,545 | 8\% |
|  |  | (EEE) | Do not plan to do | 272 | 37\% | 3,941 | 28\% | 5,061 | 27\% | 40,608 | 26\% | 285 | 53\% | 7,323 | 41\% | 9,299 | 40\% | 72,840 | 41\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do | 204 | 26\% | 4,781 | 33\% | 6,674 | 33\% | 53,234 | 33\% | 23 | 4\% | 1,536 | 10\% | 1,909 | 9\% | 14,465 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | Done | 134 | 16\% | 3,027 | 20\% | 4,472 | 21\% | 40,131 | 22\% | 197 | 36\% | 7,050 | 41\% | 9,687 | 43\% | 78,177 | 41\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 773 | 100\% | 14,390 | 100\% | 19,761 | 100\% | 161,542 | 100\% | 543 | 100\% | 17,241 | 100\% | 22,500 | 100\% | 179,027 | 100\% |
| 7 f . | Study abroad | STDABR04 | Have not decided | 250 | 32\% | 4,213 | 30\% | 5,635 | 29\% | 43,871 | 28\% | 45 | 8\% | 2,247 | 14\% | 2,635 | 13\% | 20,059 | 13\% |
|  |  | (EEE) | Do not plan to do | 204 | 28\% | 3,602 | 27\% | 4,662 | 26\% | 38,722 | 26\% | 402 | 74\% | 11,301 | 65\% | 14,493 | 64\% | 112,322 | 63\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do | 305 | 38\% | 6,163 | 41\% | 8,934 | 42\% | 74,551 | 43\% | 30 | 5\% | 1,683 | 10\% | 2,076 | 10\% | 14,446 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | Done | 14 | 2\% | 390 | 3\% | 505 | 3\% | 4,342 | 3\% | 65 | 12\% | 1,998 | 11\% | 3,278 | 13\% | 32,000 | 15\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 773 | 100\% | 14,368 | 100\% | 19,736 | 100\% | 161,486 | 100\% | 542 | 100\% | 17,229 | 100\% | 22,482 | 100\% | 178,827 | 100\% |
| 7 g . | Independent study or selfdesigned major | INDSTD04 | Have not decided | 270 | 35\% | 4,595 | 32\% | 6,278 | 32\% | 53,902 | 33\% | 37 | 7\% | 1,960 | 12\% | 2,366 | 11\% | 18,936 | 12\% |
|  |  | (EEE) | Do not plan to do | 379 | 49\% | 7,079 | 49\% | 9,782 | 49\% | 73,790 | 45\% | 415 | 76\% | 10,988 | 62\% | 14,312 | 62\% | 108,632 | 61\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do | 107 | 14\% | 2,233 | 16\% | 3,029 | 16\% | 27,863 | 18\% | 18 | 3\% | 1,512 | 10\% | 1,900 | 9\% | 14,709 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | Done | 17 | 2\% | 454 | 4\% | 632 | 4\% | 5,863 | 4\% | 72 | 13\% | 2,776 | 16\% | 3,909 | 17\% | 36,476 | 18\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 773 | 100\% | 14,361 | 100\% | 19,721 | 100\% | 161,418 | 100\% | 542 | 100\% | 17,236 | 100\% | 22,487 | 100\% | 178,753 | 100\% |
| 7 h. | Culminating senior experience (capstone course, senior project or thesis, comprehensive exam, etc.) | SNRX04 | Have not decided | 329 | 41\% | 5,657 | 39\% | 7,641 | 39\% | 59,839 | 38\% | 38 | 7\% | 1,824 | 11\% | 2,137 | 10\% | 16,993 | 11\% |
|  |  | (EEE) | Do not plan to do | 112 | 14\% | 1,657 | 12\% | 2,149 | 11\% | 17,101 | 12\% | 228 | 42\% | 4,646 | 27\% | 5,843 | 27\% | 43,280 | 26\% |
|  |  |  | Plan to do | 321 | 43\% | 6,790 | 46\% | 9,589 | 48\% | 81,742 | 48\% | 84 | 15\% | 5,559 | 33\% | 7,094 | 33\% | 53,536 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | Done | 15 | 2\% | 282 | 2\% | 374 | 2\% | 2,945 | 2\% | 194 | 36\% | 5,235 | 28\% | 7,457 | 30\% | 65,323 | 32\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 777 | 100\% | 14,386 | 100\% | 19,753 | 100\% | 161,627 | 100\% | 544 | 100\% | 17,264 | 100\% | 22,531 | 100\% | 179,132 | 100\% |
| 8a. Quality of relationships with other students |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ENVSTU } \\ & \text { (SCE) } \end{aligned}$ | 1 Unfriendly, Unsupportive, Sense of alienation | 15 | 2\% | 181 | 1\% | 247 | 1\% | 1,762 | 1\% | 5 | 1\% | 175 | 1\% | 233 | 1\% | 1,606 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | 2 | 24 | 3\% | 387 | 3\% | 538 | 3\% | 4,423 | 3\% | 14 | 2\% | 465 | 3\% | 591 | 3\% | 4,089 | 2\% |
|  |  |  | 3 | 44 | 6\% | 799 | 6\% | 1,083 | 6\% | 8,637 | 6\% | 24 | 4\% | 889 | 5\% | 1,172 | 5\% | 8,307 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | 4 | 91 | 12\% | 1,733 | 13\% | 2,302 | 12\% | 19,197 | 13\% | 61 | 12\% | 1,956 | 12\% | 2,468 | 11\% | 19,041 | 11\% |
|  |  |  | 5 | 170 | 22\% | 3,065 | 21\% | 4,084 | 21\% | 32,358 | 21\% | 106 | 20\% | 3,484 | 21\% | 4,527 | 21\% | 35,211 | 20\% |
|  |  |  | 6 | 231 | 30\% | 4,144 | 28\% | 5,751 | 29\% | 46,581 | 28\% | 172 | 32\% | 4,889 | 28\% | 6,503 | 29\% | 51,593 | 28\% |
|  |  |  | 7 Friendly, Supportive, Sense of belonging | 204 | 26\% | 4,080 | 27\% | 5,773 | 28\% | 48,743 | 29\% | 160 | 29\% | 5,402 | 30\% | 7,037 | 31\% | 59,257 | 32\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 779 | 100\% | 14,389 | 100\% | 19,778 | 100\% | 161,701 | 100\% | 542 | 100\% | 17,260 | 100\% | 22,531 | 100\% | 179,104 | 100\% |

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| Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
| Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 205 | 38\% | 7,809 | 42\% | 10,564 | 44\% | 77,914 | 41\% |
| 27 | 5\% | 749 | 4\% | 1,039 | 5\% | 8,982 | 5\% |
| 30 | 5\% | 1,019 | 6\% | 1,393 | 6\% | 11,304 | 6\% |
| 53 | 10\% | 1,091 | 6\% | 1,482 | 6\% | 12,078 | 7\% |
| 54 | 10\% | 1,606 | 10\% | 2,129 | 10\% | 16,162 | 9\% |
| 56 | 10\% | 1,266 | 8\% | 1,597 | 8\% | 12,378 | 7\% |
| 45 | 8\% | 878 | 5\% | 1,038 | 5\% | 8,394 | 5\% |
| 67 | 13\% | 2,709 | 19\% | 3,105 | 17\% | 30,602 | 19\% |
| 537 | 100\% | 17,127 | 100\% | 22,347 | 100\% | 177,814 | 100\% |
| 224 | 42\% | 7,794 | 49\% | 9,600 | 47\% | 76,826 | 47\% |
| 172 | 32\% | 4,996 | 28\% | 6,748 | 29\% | 51,173 | 28\% |
| 61 | 11\% | 1,972 | 11\% | 2,730 | 11\% | 21,505 | 11\% |
| 42 | 8\% | 1,020 | 5\% | 1,407 | 6\% | 11,458 | 6\% |
| 18 | 3\% | 604 | 3\% | 829 | 3\% | 7,365 | 4\% |
| 7 | 1\% | 301 | 2\% | 427 | 2\% | 3,921 | 2\% |
| 5 | 1\% | 130 | 1\% | 178 | 1\% | 1,877 | 1\% |
| 9 | 2\% | 334 | 2\% | 467 | 2\% | 3,899 | 2\% |
| 538 | 100\% | 17,151 | 100\% | 22,386 | 100\% | 178,024 | 100\% |
| 3 | 1\% | 211 | 1\% | 280 | 1\% | 2,398 | 1\% |
| 137 | 26\% | 4,675 | 28\% | 6,094 | 28\% | 51,210 | 29\% |
| 158 | 30\% | 5,130 | 30\% | 6,784 | 30\% | 54,082 | 30\% |
| 126 | 23\% | 3,323 | 19\% | 4,364 | 19\% | 33,411 | 19\% |
| 53 | 10\% | 1,907 | 11\% | 2,456 | 11\% | 18,944 | 11\% |
| 24 | 4\% | 830 | 5\% | 1,039 | 4\% | 8,028 | 5\% |
| 16 | 3\% | 381 | 2\% | 494 | 2\% | 3,435 | 2\% |
| 21 | 4\% | 671 | 4\% | 848 | 4\% | 6,252 | 4\% |
| 538 | 100\% | 17,128 | 100\% | 22,359 | 100\% | 177,760 | 100\% |
| 400 | 74\% | 10,949 | 61\% | 14,633 | 62\% | 113,487 | 61\% |
| 53 | 10\% | 1,956 | 12\% | 2,614 | 12\% | 20,150 | 12\% |
| 29 | 6\% | 1,044 | 7\% | 1,384 | 7\% | 10,309 | 6\% |
| 12 | 2\% | 692 | 5\% | 867 | 5\% | 6,288 | 4\% |
| 10 | 2\% | 492 | 3\% | 589 | 3\% | 4,885 | 3\% |
| 3 | 1\% | 255 | 2\% | 302 | 2\% | 2,533 | 2\% |
| 1 | 0\% | 175 | 1\% | 203 | 1\% | 1,856 | 1\% |
| 29 | 5\% | 1,547 | 10\% | 1,740 | 9\% | 18,016 | 11\% |
| 537 | 100\% | 17,110 | 100\% | 22,332 | 100\% | 177,524 | 100\% |
| 17 | 3\% | 1,039 | 6\% | 1,655 | 6\% | 22,227 | 10\% |
| 373 | 70\% | 11,379 | 64\% | 14,861 | 65\% | 111,463 | 62\% |

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## NSSE 2008 Engagement Item Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Western Michigan University

|  |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
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|  | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  |  | 6-10 hr/wk |  | 152 | 20\% | 2,099 | 16\% | 2,639 | 15\% | 18,939 | 14\% | 102 | 19\% | 3,139 | 20\% | 3,879 | 19\% | 29,384 | 19\% |
|  |  | 11-15 hr/wk |  | 45 | 6\% | 708 | 6\% | 904 | 5\% | 6,296 | 5\% | 30 | 6\% | 948 | 6\% | 1,181 | 6\% | 8,815 | 6\% |
|  |  | 16-20 hr/wk |  | 19 | 2\% | 275 | 2\% | 349 | 2\% | 2,582 | 2\% | 9 | 2\% | 312 | 2\% | 399 | 2\% | 2,941 | 2\% |
|  |  | 21-25 hr/wk |  | 4 | 1\% | 105 | 1\% | 124 | 1\% | 964 | 1\% | 1 | 0\% | 106 | 1\% | 145 | 1\% | 1,076 | 1\% |
|  |  | 26-30 hr/wk |  | 2 | 0\% | 43 | 0\% | 50 | 0\% | 432 | 0\% | 2 | 0\% | 51 | 0\% | 64 | 0\% | 481 | 0\% |
|  |  | 30+hr/wk |  | 8 | 1\% | 135 | 1\% | 163 | 1\% | 1,298 | 1\% | 3 | 1\% | 168 | 1\% | 197 | 1\% | 1,601 | 1\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 772 | 100\% | 14,244 | 100\% | 19,577 | 100\% | 160,304 | 100\% | 537 | 100\% | 17,142 | 100\% | 22,381 | 100\% | 177,988 | 100\% |
| 10a. Spending significant amounts of time studying and on academic work | $\begin{gathered} \text { ENVSCHOL } \\ \text { (LAC) } \end{gathered}$ | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 23 | 3\% | 245 | 2\% | 319 | 2\% | 2,617 | 2\% | 19 | 4\% | 401 | 3\% | 484 | 2\% | 3,562 | 2\% |
|  |  |  |  | 148 | 20\% | 2,350 | 18\% | 2,961 | 17\% | 24,397 | 17\% | 124 | 24\% | 2,942 | 18\% | 3,560 | 17\% | 27,883 | 17\% |
|  |  |  |  | 382 | 51\% | 6,650 | 47\% | 8,943 | 46\% | 71,895 | 46\% | 251 | 47\% | 7,619 | 45\% | 9,950 | 45\% | 79,021 | 45\% |
|  |  |  |  | 204 | 26\% | 4,847 | 33\% | 7,157 | 35\% | 59,691 | 35\% | 138 | 26\% | 6,032 | 34\% | 8,201 | 36\% | 66,286 | 36\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 757 | 100\% | 14,092 | 100\% | 19,380 | 100\% | 158,600 | 100\% | 532 | 100\% | 16,994 | 100\% | 22,195 | 100\% | 176,752 | 100\% |
| 10b. Providing the support you need to help you succeed academically | $\begin{gathered} \text { ENVSUPRT } \\ \text { (SCE) } \end{gathered}$ | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 31 | 4\% | 393 | 3\% | 513 | 3\% | 3,811 | 3\% | 39 | 8\% | 946 | 6\% | 1,173 | 6\% | 7,488 | 5\% |
|  |  |  |  | 183 | 25\% | 2,924 | 21\% | 3,813 | 20\% | 28,736 | 20\% | 157 | 30\% | 4,450 | 27\% | 5,664 | 26\% | 38,855 | 24\% |
|  |  |  |  | 358 | 47\% | 6,314 | 45\% | 8,637 | 44\% | 69,195 | 44\% | 241 | 45\% | 7,378 | 43\% | 9,639 | 43\% | 77,146 | 43\% |
|  |  |  |  | 183 | 24\% | 4,428 | 31\% | 6,370 | 32\% | 56,514 | 33\% | 94 | 18\% | 4,207 | 24\% | 5,687 | 25\% | 52,987 | 27\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 755 | 100\% | 14,059 | 100\% | 19,333 | 100\% | 158,256 | 100\% | 531 | 100\% | 16,981 | 100\% | 22,163 | 100\% | 176,476 | 100\% |
| 10c. Encouraging contact among students from different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds | ENVDIVRS (EEE) | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 103 | 14\% | 1,678 | 12\% | 2,270 | 12\% | 17,526 | 12\% | 124 | 23\% | 3,160 | 19\% | 4,083 | 19\% | 29,085 | 17\% |
|  |  |  |  | 278 | 36\% | 4,504 | 31\% | 6,017 | 31\% | 48,276 | 31\% | 202 | 38\% | 5,915 | 34\% | 7,866 | 35\% | 60,879 | 34\% |
|  |  |  |  | 238 | 32\% | 4,749 | 34\% | 6,489 | 33\% | 52,706 | 33\% | 139 | 26\% | 4,754 | 28\% | 6,156 | 28\% | 51,723 | 29\% |
|  |  |  |  | 137 | 18\% | 3,127 | 23\% | 4,556 | 23\% | 39,732 | 24\% | 66 | 13\% | 3,134 | 19\% | 4,051 | 18\% | 34,730 | 19\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 756 | 100\% | 14,058 | 100\% | 19,332 | 100\% | 158,240 | 100\% | 531 | 100\% | 16,963 | 100\% | 22,156 | 100\% | 176,417 | 100\% |
| 10d. Helping you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.) | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ENVNACAD } \\ & \text { (SCE) } \end{aligned}$ | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 220 | 29\% | 3,565 | 26\% | 4,643 | 24\% | 34,772 | 24\% | 268 | 50\% | 6,764 | 41\% | 8,415 | 39\% | 60,204 | 36\% |
|  |  |  |  | 269 | 36\% | 5,524 | 39\% | 7,531 | 39\% | 61,396 | 38\% | 167 | 31\% | 6,197 | 36\% | 8,160 | 36\% | 66,592 | 37\% |
|  |  |  |  | 196 | 26\% | 3,438 | 24\% | 4,885 | 25\% | 41,866 | 26\% | 71 | 13\% | 2,678 | 16\% | 3,700 | 17\% | 33,608 | 18\% |
|  |  |  |  | 73 | 10\% | 1,530 | 11\% | 2,266 | 12\% | 20,131 | 12\% | 25 | 5\% | 1,309 | 8\% | 1,858 | 9\% | 15,869 | 9\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 758 | 100\% | 14,057 | 100\% | 19,325 | 100\% | 158,165 | 100\% | 531 | 100\% | 16,948 | 100\% | 22,133 | 100\% | 176,273 | 100\% |
| 10e. Providing the support you need to thrive socially | $\begin{gathered} \text { ENVSOCAL } \\ \text { (SCE) } \end{gathered}$ | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 121 | 16\% | 2,026 | 15\% | 2,735 | 15\% | 22,661 | 16\% | 163 | 31\% | 4,348 | 26\% | 5,427 | 25\% | 40,602 | 24\% |
|  |  |  |  | 275 | 37\% | 5,165 | 37\% | 6,918 | 36\% | 56,081 | 36\% | 194 | 37\% | 6,690 | 40\% | 8,608 | 39\% | 69,111 | 39\% |
|  |  |  |  | 264 | 35\% | 4,725 | 33\% | 6,540 | 34\% | 53,682 | 33\% | 128 | 24\% | 4,151 | 24\% | 5,618 | 25\% | 46,683 | 26\% |
|  |  |  |  | 94 | 13\% | 2,096 | 15\% | 3,076 | 16\% | 25,328 | 16\% | 42 | 8\% | 1,738 | 10\% | 2,460 | 12\% | 19,523 | 11\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 754 | 100\% | 14,012 | 100\% | 19,269 | 100\% | 157,752 | 100\% | 527 | 100\% | 16,927 | 100\% | 22,113 | 100\% | 175,919 | 100\% |
| 10f. Attending campus events and activities (special speakers, cultural performances, athletic events, etc.) | ENVEVENT | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 56 | 8\% | 923 | 8\% | 1,204 | 7\% | 12,315 | 9\% | 66 | 13\% | 2,291 | 14\% | 2,750 | 13\% | 22,752 | 14\% |
|  |  |  |  | 207 | 27\% | 3,630 | 26\% | 4,774 | 25\% | 37,873 | 25\% | 206 | 39\% | 5,475 | 32\% | 6,892 | 30\% | 51,638 | 31\% |
|  |  |  |  | 300 | 40\% | 5,683 | 39\% | 7,816 | 39\% | 61,986 | 38\% | 172 | 32\% | 5,944 | 35\% | 7,865 | 35\% | 64,255 | 35\% |
|  |  |  |  | 193 | 25\% | 3,823 | 27\% | 5,544 | 29\% | 45,969 | 27\% | 85 | 16\% | 3,231 | 19\% | 4,621 | 22\% | 37,406 | 20\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 756 | 100\% | 14,059 | 100\% | 19,338 | 100\% | 158,143 | 100\% | 529 | 100\% | 16,941 | 100\% | 22,128 | 100\% | 176,051 | 100\% |
| 10g. Using computers in academic | ENVCOMPT | Very little |  | 23 | 3\% | 274 | 2\% | 374 | 2\% | 3,239 | 2\% | 10 | 2\% | 293 | 2\% | 365 | 2\% | 3,073 | 2\% |

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|  |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
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| work | Variable | Response Options |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  | Some |  |  | 107 | 14\% | 1,791 | 13\% | 2,379 | 13\% | 20,956 | 13\% | 53 | 10\% | 1,562 | 9\% | 1,954 | 9\% | 16,384 | 10\% |
|  | Quite a bit |  |  | 276 | 36\% | 4,971 | 35\% | 6,721 | 35\% | 55,560 | 35\% | 165 | 32\% | 4,864 | 29\% | 6,230 | 28\% | 51,185 | 29\% |
|  | Very much |  |  | 352 | 47\% | 7,035 | 49\% | 9,877 | 50\% | 78,586 | 49\% | 303 | 57\% | 10,269 | 60\% | 13,634 | 61\% | 105,928 | 59\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 758 | 100\% | 14,071 | 100\% | 19,351 | 100\% | 158,341 | 100\% | 531 | 100\% | 16,988 | 100\% | 22,183 | 100\% | 176,570 | 100\% |
| 11a. Acquiring a broad general education | GNGENLED | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 24 | 3\% | 357 | 3\% | 473 | 3\% | 3,417 | 3\% | 13 | 3\% | 466 | 3\% | 575 | 3\% | 4,043 | 3\% |
|  |  |  |  | 137 | 19\% | 2,105 | 15\% | 2,792 | 14\% | 21,660 | 15\% | 101 | 19\% | 2,431 | 14\% | 3,038 | 14\% | 21,390 | 13\% |
|  |  |  |  | 341 | 46\% | 6,261 | 45\% | 8,341 | 44\% | 65,882 | 43\% | 216 | 41\% | 6,428 | 38\% | 8,243 | 38\% | 62,457 | 36\% |
|  |  |  |  | 243 | 31\% | 5,117 | 37\% | 7,395 | 39\% | 64,947 | 40\% | 195 | 37\% | 7,461 | 44\% | 10,064 | 46\% | 86,911 | 48\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 745 | 100\% | 13,840 | 100\% | 19,001 | 100\% | 155,906 | 100\% | 525 | 100\% | 16,786 | 100\% | 21,920 | 100\% | 174,801 | 100\% |
| 11b. Acquiring job or work-related knowledge and skills | GNWORK | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 78 | 11\% | 1,316 | 11\% | 1,669 | 10\% | 13,156 | 10\% | 35 | 7\% | 1,069 | 7\% | 1,304 | 6\% | 10,547 | 7\% |
|  |  |  |  | 209 | 28\% | 3,953 | 29\% | 5,213 | 28\% | 42,502 | 28\% | 117 | 22\% | 3,408 | 22\% | 4,370 | 21\% | 34,219 | 20\% |
|  |  |  |  | 273 | 37\% | 4,959 | 36\% | 6,821 | 36\% | 56,747 | 36\% | 170 | 33\% | 5,569 | 32\% | 7,191 | 32\% | 57,854 | 33\% |
|  |  |  |  | 183 | 24\% | 3,579 | 25\% | 5,257 | 26\% | 43,172 | 27\% | 203 | 38\% | 6,724 | 39\% | 9,029 | 40\% | 71,931 | 40\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 743 | 100\% | 13,807 | 100\% | 18,960 | 100\% | 155,577 | 100\% | 525 | 100\% | 16,770 | 100\% | 21,894 | 100\% | 174,551 | 100\% |
| 11c. Writing clearly and effectively | GNWRITE | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 43 | 6\% | 820 | 6\% | 1,144 | 6\% | 6,620 | 5\% | 17 | 3\% | 872 | 6\% | 1,107 | 5\% | 6,433 | 4\% |
|  |  |  |  | 206 | 27\% | 3,325 | 23\% | 4,481 | 23\% | 32,228 | 22\% | 130 | 25\% | 3,672 | 21\% | 4,738 | 21\% | 31,510 | 19\% |
|  |  |  |  | 299 | 41\% | 5,612 | 41\% | 7,668 | 41\% | 63,889 | 41\% | 197 | 38\% | 6,345 | 38\% | 8,326 | 38\% | 65,348 | 38\% |
|  |  |  |  | 197 | 26\% | 4,058 | 30\% | 5,682 | 30\% | 52,968 | 33\% | 181 | 34\% | 5,880 | 35\% | 7,726 | 35\% | 71,379 | 39\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 745 | 100\% | 13,815 | 100\% | 18,975 | 100\% | 155,705 | 100\% | 525 | 100\% | 16,769 | 100\% | 21,897 | 100\% | 174,670 | 100\% |
| 11d. Speaking clearly and effectively | GNSPEAK | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 100 | 13\% | 1,324 | 10\% | 1,864 | 10\% | 11,534 | 8\% | 33 | 6\% | 1,164 | 7\% | 1,432 | 7\% | 9,217 | 6\% |
|  |  |  |  | 248 | 33\% | 3,928 | 28\% | 5,470 | 29\% | 40,994 | 27\% | 144 | 28\% | 4,143 | 24\% | 5,420 | 24\% | 37,228 | 22\% |
|  |  |  |  | 246 | 34\% | 5,174 | 37\% | 6,994 | 36\% | 59,712 | 38\% | 192 | 37\% | 6,094 | 37\% | 7,987 | 37\% | 64,596 | 37\% |
|  |  |  |  | 146 | 19\% | 3,383 | 25\% | 4,638 | 25\% | 43,378 | 27\% | 156 | 29\% | 5,361 | 32\% | 7,042 | 32\% | 63,532 | 35\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 740 | 100\% | 13,809 | 100\% | 18,966 | 100\% | 155,618 | 100\% | 525 | 100\% | 16,762 | 100\% | 21,881 | 100\% | 174,573 | 100\% |
| 11e. Thinking critically and analytically | GNANALY | Very little Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 27 | 3\% | 345 | 3\% | 472 | 3\% | 3,292 | 2\% | 7 | 1\% | 357 | 2\% | 414 | 2\% | 2,964 | 2\% |
|  |  |  |  | 161 | 21\% | 2,229 | 16\% | 2,870 | 15\% | 22,241 | 15\% | 96 | 18\% | 2,015 | 12\% | 2,466 | 12\% | 18,087 | 11\% |
|  |  |  |  | 303 | 41\% | 5,836 | 43\% | 7,839 | 42\% | 63,386 | 41\% | 197 | 38\% | 6,100 | 37\% | 7,896 | 36\% | 61,039 | 36\% |
|  |  |  |  | 251 | 34\% | 5,389 | 38\% | 7,763 | 40\% | 66,612 | 41\% | 222 | 42\% | 8,280 | 49\% | 11,093 | 50\% | 92,404 | 51\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 742 | 100\% | 13,799 | 100\% | 18,944 | 100\% | 155,531 | 100\% | 522 | 100\% | 16,752 | 100\% | 21,869 | 100\% | 174,494 | 100\% |
| 11f. Analyzing quantitative problems | GNQUANT | Very little <br> Some <br> Quite a bit <br> Very much |  | 57 | 7\% | 640 | 5\% | 880 | 5\% | 8,047 | 5\% | 31 | 6\% | 755 | 5\% | 919 | 4\% | 8,225 | 5\% |
|  |  |  |  | 222 | 30\% | 3,212 | 24\% | 4,263 | 23\% | 36,339 | 24\% | 154 | 29\% | 3,295 | 20\% | 4,209 | 20\% | 35,786 | 21\% |
|  |  |  |  | 291 | 40\% | 5,645 | 41\% | 7,694 | 41\% | 62,470 | 40\% | 185 | 36\% | 6,056 | 37\% | 7,888 | 37\% | 62,508 | 36\% |
|  |  |  |  | 170 | 23\% | 4,293 | 30\% | 6,096 | 31\% | 48,484 | 31\% | 156 | 30\% | 6,633 | 39\% | 8,841 | 40\% | 67,794 | 39\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 740 | 100\% | 13,790 | 100\% | 18,933 | 100\% | 155,340 | 100\% | 526 | 100\% | 16,739 | 100\% | 21,857 | 100\% | 174,313 | 100\% |
| 11g. Using computing and information technology | GNCMPTS | Very little |  | 54 | 7\% | 728 | 6\% | 1,026 | 6\% | 8,107 | 6\% | 14 | 3\% | 616 | 4\% | 778 | 4\% | 6,361 | 4\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 163 | 21\% | 2,769 | 20\% | 3,791 | 20\% | 33,452 | 21\% | 108 | 20\% | 2,590 | 16\% | 3,405 | 15\% | 28,998 | 16\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 267 | 36\% | 5,216 | 37\% | 7,080 | 37\% | 58,545 | 37\% | 191 | 37\% | 5,633 | 34\% | 7,295 | 34\% | 59,877 | 34\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 258 | 35\% | 5,090 | 37\% | 7,065 | 37\% | 55,578 | 36\% | 212 | 40\% | 7,938 | 47\% | 10,426 | 47\% | 79,413 | 46\% |

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## NSSE 2008 Engagement Item Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Western Michigan University

|  |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
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|  | Variable | Respon |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  |  |  | Total | 742 | 100\% | 13,803 | 100\% | 18,962 | 100\% | 155,682 | 100\% | 525 | 100\% | 16,777 | 100\% | 21,904 | 100\% | 174,649 | 100\% |
| 11h. Working effectively with others | GNOTHERS | Very little |  | 49 | 7\% | 730 | 6\% | 958 | 6\% | 7,087 | 5\% | 17 | 3\% | 692 | 5\% | 827 | 4\% | 5,847 | 4\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 180 | 25\% | 3,286 | 24\% | 4,368 | 23\% | 34,582 | 23\% | 100 | 19\% | 3,140 | 19\% | 4,007 | 19\% | 29,424 | 18\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 290 | 38\% | 5,428 | 39\% | 7,417 | 39\% | 61,292 | 39\% | 186 | 36\% | 6,100 | 36\% | 7,892 | 36\% | 62,819 | 36\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 225 | 30\% | 4,359 | 31\% | 6,213 | 32\% | 52,591 | 33\% | 222 | 42\% | 6,822 | 40\% | 9,149 | 41\% | 76,425 | 42\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 744 | 100\% | 13,803 | 100\% | 18,956 | 100\% | 155,552 | 100\% | 525 | 100\% | 16,754 | 100\% | 21,875 | 100\% | 174,515 | 100\% |
| 11i. Voting in local, state, or national elections | GNCITIZN | Very little |  | 293 | 40\% | 3,946 | 29\% | 5,692 | 29\% | 47,878 | 31\% | 210 | 41\% | 6,254 | 38\% | 8,109 | 37\% | 61,436 | 36\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 242 | 33\% | 4,198 | 31\% | 5,716 | 31\% | 47,633 | 31\% | 174 | 34\% | 5,197 | 31\% | 6,824 | 32\% | 54,127 | 31\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 119 | 16\% | 3,203 | 24\% | 4,308 | 24\% | 34,546 | 23\% | 78 | 15\% | 2,928 | 18\% | 3,915 | 18\% | 33,166 | 19\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 74 | 11\% | 2,213 | 17\% | 2,926 | 16\% | 23,050 | 16\% | 51 | 10\% | 2,179 | 13\% | 2,789 | 13\% | 24,054 | 14\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 728 | 100\% | 13,560 | 100\% | 18,642 | 100\% | 153,107 | 100\% | 513 | 100\% | 16,558 | 100\% | 21,637 | 100\% | 172,783 | 100\% |
| 11j. Learning effectively on your own | GNINQ | Very little |  | 46 | 7\% | 741 | 6\% | 983 | 6\% | 7,275 | 5\% | 36 | 7\% | 999 | 7\% | 1,194 | 6\% | 8,952 | 6\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 179 | 24\% | 3,153 | 23\% | 4,239 | 22\% | 34,576 | 23\% | 127 | 25\% | 3,254 | 20\% | 4,203 | 19\% | 32,213 | 19\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 332 | 45\% | 5,811 | 43\% | 7,999 | 43\% | 65,929 | 43\% | 202 | 39\% | 6,708 | 40\% | 8,780 | 40\% | 68,781 | 40\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 171 | 24\% | 3,836 | 28\% | 5,395 | 29\% | 45,172 | 29\% | 150 | 29\% | 5,603 | 34\% | 7,469 | 34\% | 62,776 | 35\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 728 | 100\% | 13,541 | 100\% | 18,616 | 100\% | 152,952 | 100\% | 515 | 100\% | 16,564 | 100\% | 21,646 | 100\% | 172,722 | 100\% |
| 11k. Understanding yourself | GNSELF | Very little |  | 86 | 12\% | 1,538 | 12\% | 2,029 | 11\% | 14,766 | 11\% | 81 | 16\% | 2,287 | 14\% | 2,729 | 13\% | 18,252 | 12\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 202 | 27\% | 3,629 | 27\% | 4,871 | 26\% | 39,325 | 26\% | 140 | 27\% | 4,249 | 26\% | 5,461 | 25\% | 40,956 | 24\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 283 | 39\% | 4,824 | 35\% | 6,679 | 35\% | 55,801 | 36\% | 158 | 31\% | 5,447 | 33\% | 7,169 | 33\% | 58,279 | 33\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 156 | 21\% | 3,545 | 26\% | 5,040 | 27\% | 43,034 | 28\% | 136 | 26\% | 4,581 | 27\% | 6,286 | 29\% | 55,269 | 31\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 727 | 100\% | 13,536 | 100\% | 18,619 | 100\% | 152,926 | 100\% | 515 | 100\% | 16,564 | 100\% | 21,645 | 100\% | 172,756 | 100\% |
| 111. Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds | GNDIVERS | Very little |  | 97 | 14\% | 1,742 | 13\% | 2,395 | 13\% | 18,420 | 12\% | 89 | 17\% | 2,600 | 15\% | 3,335 | 15\% | 23,703 | 14\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 266 | 36\% | 4,317 | 31\% | 5,948 | 31\% | 48,064 | 31\% | 176 | 34\% | 5,364 | 32\% | 7,089 | 33\% | 54,918 | 32\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 232 | 32\% | 4,554 | 34\% | 6,169 | 33\% | 51,643 | 33\% | 153 | 30\% | 4,899 | 30\% | 6,419 | 30\% | 53,745 | 31\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 132 | 18\% | 2,932 | 22\% | 4,109 | 22\% | 34,834 | 23\% | 97 | 19\% | 3,682 | 23\% | 4,790 | 22\% | 40,321 | 24\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 727 | 100\% | 13,545 | 100\% | 18,621 | 100\% | 152,961 | 100\% | 515 | 100\% | 16,545 | 100\% | 21,633 | 100\% | 172,687 | 100\% |
| 11m Solving complex real-world problems | GNPROBSV | Very little |  | 91 | 12\% | 1,390 | 11\% | 1,848 | 10\% | 15,080 | 11\% | 58 | 11\% | 1,709 | 11\% | 2,087 | 10\% | 16,887 | 10\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 256 | 35\% | 4,479 | 33\% | 5,944 | 32\% | 48,814 | 32\% | 166 | 32\% | 4,716 | 29\% | 6,012 | 28\% | 48,197 | 28\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 262 | 37\% | 4,842 | 35\% | 6,725 | 36\% | 55,711 | 36\% | 170 | 33\% | 5,779 | 35\% | 7,661 | 35\% | 61,859 | 35\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 121 | 16\% | 2,836 | 21\% | 4,099 | 22\% | 33,369 | 22\% | 120 | 23\% | 4,363 | 26\% | 5,888 | 27\% | 45,785 | 26\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 730 | 100\% | 13,547 | 100\% | 18,616 | 100\% | 152,974 | 100\% | 514 | 100\% | 16,567 | 100\% | 21,648 | 100\% | 172,728 | 100\% |
| 11n. Developing a personal code of values and ethics | GNETHICS | Very little |  | 121 | 17\% | 1,965 | 15\% | 2,463 | 14\% | 18,177 | 13\% | 96 | 19\% | 2,841 | 18\% | 3,281 | 16\% | 23,140 | 15\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 238 | 32\% | 3,990 | 29\% | 5,161 | 27\% | 42,651 | 28\% | 154 | 30\% | 4,662 | 28\% | 5,735 | 26\% | 45,172 | 27\% |
|  |  | Quite a bit |  | 241 | 34\% | 4,518 | 33\% | 6,186 | 33\% | 52,521 | 34\% | 134 | 26\% | 4,943 | 29\% | 6,451 | 29\% | 54,117 | 30\% |
|  |  | Very much |  | 126 | 17\% | 3,080 | 23\% | 4,817 | 26\% | 39,588 | 25\% | 131 | 25\% | 4,108 | 25\% | 6,169 | 29\% | 50,276 | 28\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 726 | 100\% | 13,553 | 100\% | 18,627 | 100\% | 152,937 | 100\% | 515 | 100\% | 16,554 | 100\% | 21,636 | 100\% | 172,705 | 100\% |
| 110. Contributing to the welfare of your community | GNCOMMUN | Very little |  | 186 | 26\% | 2,457 | 19\% | 3,048 | 17\% | 24,925 | 18\% | 138 | 27\% | 3,597 | 22\% | 4,278 | 20\% | 31,027 | 20\% |
|  |  | Some |  | 275 | 38\% | 4,732 | 35\% | 6,094 | 33\% | 51,297 | 34\% | 188 | 37\% | 5,598 | 34\% | 6,999 | 32\% | 55,770 | 33\% |

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## NSSE 2008 Background Item Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ <br> Western Michigan University

|  |  |  |  | ors |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
| Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 257 | 44\% | 6,869 | 40\% | 8,125 | 37\% | 60,975 | 35\% |
| 103 | 18\% | 4,458 | 23\% | 5,467 | 22\% | 43,902 | 23\% |
| 197 | 33\% | 6,709 | 32\% | 9,741 | 36\% | 79,739 | 37\% |
| 20 | 4\% | 558 | 3\% | 706 | 3\% | 7,565 | 4\% |
| 58 | 12\% | 2,244 | 17\% | 2,723 | 16\% | 23,195 | 16\% |
| 458 | 88\% | 14,469 | 83\% | 19,117 | 84\% | 151,060 | 84\% |
| 516 | 100\% | 16,713 | 100\% | 21,840 | 100\% | 174,255 | 100\% |
| 463 | 90\% | 14,337 | 87\% | 18,735 | 87\% | 154,388 | 89\% |
| 53 | 10\% | 2,363 | 13\% | 3,083 | 13\% | 19,715 | 11\% |
| 516 | 100\% | 16,700 | 100\% | 21,818 | 100\% | 174,103 | 100\% |
| 496 | 96\% | 16,169 | 98\% | 20,996 | 97\% | 161,554 | 95\% |
| 19 | 4\% | 501 | 2\% | 794 | 3\% | 12,334 | 5\% |
| 515 | 100\% | 16,670 | 100\% | 21,790 | 100\% | 173,888 | 100\% |
| 0 | 0\% | 67 | 0\% | 73 | 0\% | 399 | 0\% |
| 6 | 1\% | 436 | 3\% | 490 | 2\% | 2,876 | 2\% |
| 14 | 3\% | 916 | 6\% | 1,082 | 5\% | 6,697 | 4\% |
| 35 | 7\% | 1,352 | 8\% | 1,656 | 8\% | 12,264 | 8\% |
| 114 | 22\% | 3,439 | 22\% | 4,361 | 21\% | 33,789 | 20\% |
| 118 | 23\% | 3,193 | 19\% | 4,297 | 19\% | 36,271 | 21\% |
| 98 | 19\% | 3,039 | 18\% | 4,254 | 19\% | 37,531 | 20\% |
| 132 | 25\% | 4,239 | 25\% | 5,589 | 25\% | 44,049 | 25\% |
| 517 | 100\% | 16,681 | 100\% | 21,802 | 100\% | 173,876 | 100\% |
| 22 | 4\% | 1,453 | 7\% | 2,192 | 8\% | 31,482 | 14\% |
| 130 | 26\% | 3,957 | 22\% | 6,418 | 27\% | 42,800 | 25\% |
| 351 | 69\% | 10,295 | 69\% | 12,027 | 63\% | 88,676 | 60\% |
| 3 | 1\% | 401 | 2\% | 494 | 2\% | 2,738 | 1\% |
| 506 | 100\% | 16,106 | 100\% | 21,131 | 100\% | 165,696 | 100\% |
| 23 | 4\% | 1,341 | 9\% | 1,590 | 8\% | 15,696 | 10\% |
| 127 | 25\% | 3,578 | 22\% | 4,317 | 20\% | 41,408 | 24\% |
| 89 | 17\% | 2,491 | 15\% | 3,080 | 15\% | 23,636 | 14\% |
| 45 | 9\% | 1,251 | 8\% | 1,564 | 7\% | 14,332 | 8\% |

## NSSE 2008 Background Item Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ <br> Western Michigan University

|  |  |  | WM |  | Selected | Peers | Carnegie | Class | NSSE 2 | 2008 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Variable | Response Options | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
|  |  | Completed Bachelor's | 201 | 28\% | 3,998 | 29\% | 5,635 | 30\% | 39,883 | 25\% |
|  |  | Completed Master's | 88 | 12\% | 2,046 | 15\% | 3,135 | 16\% | 22,166 | 14\% |
|  |  | Completed Doctorate | 18 | 3\% | 937 | 6\% | 1,499 | 7\% | 10,462 | 6\% |
|  |  | Total | 723 | 100\% | 13,581 | 100\% | 18,700 | 100\% | 152,955 | 100\% |
| 27b. What is the highest level of | MOTHREDU | Did not finish HS | 26 | 4\% | 537 | 5\% | 698 | 4\% | 8,059 | 6\% |
| education that your mother |  | Graduated from HS | 176 | 24\% | 2,548 | 19\% | 3,242 | 18\% | 32,744 | 22\% |
| completed? |  | Attended, no degree | 120 | 16\% | 2,295 | 17\% | 3,074 | 17\% | 23,541 | 16\% |
|  |  | Completed Associate's | 101 | 14\% | 1,661 | 13\% | 2,233 | 12\% | 19,497 | 13\% |
|  |  | Completed Bachelor's | 204 | 29\% | 4,351 | 31\% | 6,196 | 32\% | 44,014 | 27\% |
|  |  | Completed Master's | 92 | 12\% | 1,915 | 13\% | 2,793 | 14\% | 21,598 | 13\% |
|  |  | Completed Doctorate | 8 | 1\% | 346 | 2\% | 548 | 3\% | 4,240 | 3\% |
|  |  | Total | 727 | 100\% | 13,653 | 100\% | 18,784 | 100\% | 153,693 | 100\% |
| 28. Primary major or expected | MAJRPCOL | Arts and Humanities | 96 | 13\% | 1,574 | 12\% | 2,207 | 12\% | 21,887 | 14\% |
| primary major, in collapsed |  | Biological Science | 44 | 6\% | 1,233 | 9\% | 1,743 | 9\% | 13,136 | 8\% |
| categories |  | Business | 105 | 16\% | 1,948 | 17\% | 2,723 | 17\% | 22,974 | 17\% |
|  |  | Education | 89 | 12\% | 882 | 7\% | 1,105 | 7\% | 13,779 | 8\% |
|  |  | Engineering | 64 | 12\% | 1,872 | 13\% | 2,686 | 13\% | 9,116 | 7\% |
|  |  | Physical Science | 9 | 1\% | 411 | 3\% | 602 | 3\% | 5,753 | 4\% |
|  |  | Professional | 91 | 11\% | 1,574 | 11\% | 2,060 | 11\% | 16,066 | 11\% |
|  |  | Social Science | 73 | 10\% | 1,361 | 10\% | 2,039 | 11\% | 19,410 | 12\% |
|  |  | Other | 111 | 16\% | 1,953 | 15\% | 2,505 | 14\% | 21,485 | 16\% |
|  |  | Undecided | 25 | 4\% | 559 | 4\% | 676 | 4\% | 6,267 | 4\% |
|  |  | Total | 707 | 100\% | 13,367 | 100\% | 18,346 | 100\% | 149,873 | 100\% |
| 29. Second major or expected | MAJRSCOL | Arts and Humanities | 62 | 30\% | 735 | 22\% | 1,086 | 23\% | 11,493 | 24\% |
| second major (not minor, |  | Biological Science | 13 | 7\% | 156 | 5\% | 206 | 5\% | 1,910 | 4\% |
| concentration, etc.) if |  | Business | 34 | 17\% | 529 | 18\% | 738 | 17\% | 5,952 | 16\% |
| applicable, in collapsed |  | Education | 16 | 8\% | 186 | 6\% | 231 | 5\% | 3,220 | 7\% |
| categories |  | Engineering | 4 | 3\% | 179 | 5\% | 289 | 5\% | 1,061 | 3\% |
|  |  | Physical Science | 5 | 2\% | 218 | 6\% | 306 | 6\% | 2,550 | 6\% |
|  |  | Professional | 10 | 5\% | 385 | 10\% | 504 | 10\% | 3,151 | 8\% |
|  |  | Social Science | 28 | 14\% | 453 | 13\% | 686 | 14\% | 7,497 | 16\% |
|  |  | Other | 29 | 15\% | 433 | 14\% | 561 | 13\% | 5,325 | 14\% |
|  |  | Undecided | 0 | 0\% | 100 | 3\% | 126 | 3\% | 1,278 | 3\% |
|  |  | Total | 201 | 100\% | 3,374 | 100\% | 4,733 | 100\% | 43,437 | 100\% |
| Institution reported: Gender | GENDER | Male | 361 | 52\% | 6,743 | 49\% | 9,339 | 48\% | 66,076 | 45\% |
|  |  | Female | 546 | 48\% | 9,757 | 51\% | 13,302 | 52\% | 117,643 | 55\% |
|  |  | Total | 907 | 100\% | 16,500 | 100\% | 22,641 | 100\% | 183,719 | 100\% |
| Institution reported: Race or | ETHNICIT | African American/Black | 59 | 6\% | 1,473 | 10\% | 1,712 | 9\% | 13,809 | 11\% |


|  |  | Seniors |  |  |  |  |  |
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| WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
| Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 133 | 26\% | 4,511 | 27\% | 6,054 | 27\% | 42,347 | 24\% |
| 76 | 15\% | 2,210 | 12\% | 3,190 | 14\% | 22,974 | 13\% |
| 20 | 4\% | 1,189 | 7\% | 1,872 | 8\% | 12,243 | 7\% |
| 513 | 100\% | 16,571 | 100\% | 21,667 | 100\% | 172,636 | 100\% |
| 13 | 2\% | 1,058 | 8\% | 1,249 | 7\% | 12,432 | 8\% |
| 125 | 25\% | 3,741 | 24\% | 4,540 | 22\% | 42,468 | 25\% |
| 94 | 18\% | 2,772 | 17\% | 3,523 | 17\% | 25,905 | 15\% |
| 69 | 13\% | 1,947 | 12\% | 2,515 | 12\% | 21,561 | 12\% |
| 115 | 22\% | 4,510 | 25\% | 6,310 | 27\% | 43,322 | 24\% |
| 92 | 18\% | 2,247 | 13\% | 3,092 | 13\% | 23,523 | 13\% |
| 7 | 1\% | 360 | 2\% | 511 | 2\% | 4,108 | 2\% |
| 515 | 100\% | 16,635 | 100\% | 21,740 | 100\% | 173,319 | 100\% |
| 81 | 16\% | 2,026 | 12\% | 2,637 | 12\% | 27,008 | 15\% |
| 26 | 5\% | 1,214 | 7\% | 1,660 | 7\% | 12,468 | 7\% |
| 84 | 16\% | 2,785 | 18\% | 3,663 | 18\% | 29,851 | 18\% |
| 105 | 20\% | 1,354 | 8\% | 1,553 | 8\% | 16,839 | 9\% |
| 18 | 4\% | 2,136 | 12\% | 2,888 | 12\% | 9,181 | 6\% |
| 11 | 2\% | 570 | 3\% | 747 | 3\% | 5,999 | 3\% |
| 41 | 8\% | 1,474 | 9\% | 2,023 | 9\% | 15,520 | 9\% |
| 64 | 13\% | 2,157 | 13\% | 2,907 | 13\% | 26,373 | 14\% |
| 85 | 16\% | 2,730 | 17\% | 3,441 | 17\% | 28,699 | 18\% |
| 0 | 0\% | 9 | 0\% | 9 | 0\% | 66 | 0\% |
| 515 | 100\% | 16,455 | 100\% | 21,528 | 100\% | 172,004 | 100\% |
| 29 | 25\% | 725 | 21\% | 982 | 21\% | 9,994 | 23\% |
| 3 | 3\% | 145 | 4\% | 197 | 4\% | 1,596 | 4\% |
| 21 | 18\% | 654 | 20\% | 909 | 20\% | 6,454 | 17\% |
| 12 | 10\% | 237 | 6\% | 261 | 6\% | 3,785 | 8\% |
| 0 | 0\% | 115 | 2\% | 206 | 3\% | 667 | 2\% |
| 12 | 11\% | 262 | 7\% | 337 | 7\% | 2,308 | 6\% |
| 4 | 3\% | 251 | 8\% | 309 | 7\% | 1,896 | 5\% |
| 16 | 14\% | 586 | 16\% | 838 | 17\% | 7,612 | 18\% |
| 16 | 14\% | 414 | 13\% | 520 | 12\% | 5,377 | 14\% |
| 2 | 2\% | 82 | 3\% | 93 | 3\% | 734 | 2\% |
| 115 | 100\% | 3,471 | 100\% | 4,652 | 100\% | 40,423 | 100\% |
| 205 | 36\% | 8,090 | 47\% | 10,721 | 48\% | 70,427 | 44\% |
| 388 | 64\% | 10,987 | 53\% | 14,092 | 52\% | 123,877 | 56\% |
| 593 | 100\% | 19,077 | 100\% | 24,813 | 100\% | 194,304 | 100\% |
| 25 | 4\% | 1,571 | 9\% | 1,775 | 8\% | 13,619 | 9\% |

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## NSSE 2008 Background Item Frequency Distributions ${ }^{\text {a }}$ <br> Western Michigan University

| $\square$ | , |  |  | First-Year Students |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  | WMU |  | Selected Peers |  | Carnegie Class |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
|  | Variable | Respons |  | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| ethnicity |  | Am. Indian/ | Amer. | 5 | 1\% | 172 | 1\% | 187 | 1\% | 1,203 | 1\% |
|  |  | Asian/Pacifi |  | 19 | 2\% | 887 | 6\% | 1,367 | 6\% | 9,276 | 6\% |
|  |  | Caucasian/ |  | 746 | 82\% | 9,762 | 65\% | 13,908 | 67\% | 113,743 | 64\% |
|  |  | Hispanic/La |  | 28 | 3\% | 796 | 11\% | 1,103 | 10\% | 10,528 | 9\% |
|  |  | Other |  | 33 | 4\% | 107 | 1\% | 128 | 0\% | 2,284 | 2\% |
|  |  | Foreign |  | 17 | 2\% | 334 | 3\% | 626 | 4\% | 3,658 | 2\% |
|  |  | Multi-racial |  | 0 | 0\% | 27 | 0\% | 35 | 0\% | 622 | 0\% |
|  |  | Unknown |  | 0 | 0\% | 495 | 3\% | 757 | 3\% | 8,232 | 5\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 907 | 100\% | 14,053 | 100\% | 19,823 | 100\% | 163,355 | 100\% |
| Institution reported: Enrollment | ENROLLMT | Part-time |  | 35 | 6\% | 498 | 6\% | 583 | 5\% | 8,356 | 8\% |
|  |  | Full-time |  | 872 | 94\% | 16,002 | 94\% | 22,058 | 95\% | 175,363 | 92\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 907 | 100\% | 16,500 | 100\% | 22,641 | 100\% | 183,719 | 100\% |
| Mode of completion of the questionnaire | MODECOMP | Paper |  | 0 | 0\% | 494 | 4\% | 504 | 3\% | 4,576 | 4\% |
|  |  | Web |  | 907 | 100\% | 16,006 | 96\% | 22,137 | 97\% | 179,143 | 96\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 907 | 100\% | 16,500 | 100\% | 22,641 | 100\% | 183,719 | 100\% |
| Thinking about this current academic term...Are you taking all courses entirely online? (item appeared only in the online instrument.) | DISTED | No |  | 726 | 98\% | 13,153 | 99\% | 18,277 | 99\% | 146,576 | 97\% |
|  |  | Yes |  | 10 | 2\% | 120 | 1\% | 151 | 1\% | 3,902 | 3\% |
|  |  |  | Total | 736 | 100\% | 13,273 | 100\% | 18,428 | 100\% | 150,478 | 100\% |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% | Count | \% |
| 6 | 1\% | 215 | 1\% | 240 | 1\% | 1,316 | 1\% |
| 9 | 2\% | 968 | 5\% | 1,381 | 5\% | 8,723 | 6\% |
| 533 | 90\% | 12,107 | 67\% | 16,043 | 69\% | 124,187 | 67\% |
| 8 | 1\% | 1,006 | 10\% | 1,234 | 9\% | 11,109 | 8\% |
| 5 | 1\% | 109 | 0\% | 129 | 0\% | 1,485 | 1\% |
| 7 | 1\% | 437 | 3\% | 646 | 3\% | 3,301 | 2\% |
| 0 | 0\% | 44 | 0\% | 48 | 0\% | 478 | 0\% |
| 0 | 0\% | 794 | 4\% | 1,067 | 4\% | 9,427 | 5\% |
| 593 | 100\% | 17,251 | 100\% | 22,563 | 100\% | 173,645 | 100\% |
| 71 | 15\% | 2,981 | 21\% | 3,437 | 19\% | 28,500 | 19\% |
| 522 | 85\% | 16,096 | 79\% | 21,376 | 81\% | 165,804 | 81\% |
| 593 | 100\% | 19,077 | 100\% | 24,813 | 100\% | 194,304 | 100\% |
| 0 | 0\% | 265 | 4\% | 272 | 3\% | 4,998 | 5\% |
| 593 | 100\% | 18,812 | 96\% | 24,541 | 97\% | 189,306 | 95\% |
| 593 | 100\% | 19,077 | 100\% | 24,813 | 100\% | 194,304 | 100\% |
| 507 | 98\% | 15,909 | 96\% | 20,941 | 97\% | 161,504 | 96\% |
| 9 | 2\% | 533 | 4\% | 624 | 3\% | 7,766 | 4\% |
| 516 | 100\% | 16,442 | 100\% | 21,565 | 100\% | 169,270 | 100\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | IPEDS: 17 | 172699 |


[^0]:    Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size
    ${ }^{*} \mathrm{p}<.05 \quad$ ** $\mathrm{p}<.01 \quad{ }^{* * *} \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

[^1]:    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}} * \mathrm{p}<.05{ }^{* *} \mathrm{p}<.01{ }^{* * *} \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

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

[^3]:    ${ }^{2}$ Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size.
    ${ }^{6} * \mathrm{p}<.05 \quad * * \mathrm{p}<01 \quad{ }^{* * *} \mathrm{p}<.001$ (2-tailed).
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.

[^4]:    Weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size
    Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation

[^5]:    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

[^6]:    All statistics are weighted by gender，enrollment status，and institutional size．
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus／minus the product of 1.96 times the standard error of the mean．
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．

[^7]:    All statistics are weighted by gender，enrollment status，and institutional size．

[^8]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ All statistics are weighted by gender，enrollment status，and institutional size．
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus／minus the product of 1.96 times the standard error of the mean．
    ${ }^{\text {c }}$ A measure of the average amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution．

[^9]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ All statistics are weighted by gender，enrollment status，and institutional size．
    ${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ The $95 \%$ confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus／minus the product of 1.96 times the standard error of the mean．

[^10]:    ${ }^{\text {a }}$ Column percentages (\%) are weighted by gender, enrollment status, and institutional size. Because the counts are not weighted, you cannot calculate the column $\%$ directly from the counts.

