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About This Report

About Your Multi-Year Report

For institutions participating in multiple NSSE administrations since 2013, the year of the last survey update, this report presents year-to-year results for Engagement Indicators (EIs), High-Impact Practices (HIPs), and key academic challenge items to illustrate patterns of change or stability. It also provides details such as numbers of respondents, standard deviations, and standard errors so that statistical tests can be calculated.

For more information and recommendations for analyzing NSSE data over time, view our webinar entitled *Recommendations for Using Multiple Years of NSSE Data:* http://go.iu.edu/2R1r

This report contains three main parts: (a) a page that provides a quick reference to important information about each year's administration, (b) multi-year figures, and (c) detailed statistics. Key terms and features are illustrated below.

Report sections

Administration Summaries (p. 3)	A summary of respondent counts, response rates, sampling errors, and administration details for each participation year.
Engagement Results by Theme (pp. 4-7)	Results for ten EIs and selected individual survey items are displayed, organized under four broad themes. The Academic Challenge theme is represented by four EIs as well as several individual items. The three remaining engagement themes (Learning with Peers, Experiences with Faculty, and Campus Environment) are each represented by two EIs.
High-Impact Practices (pp. 8-9)	Results for six HIPs are displayed. First-year student results indicate students who participated in service-learning, a learning community, and research with faculty, and who <i>planned to do</i> an internship or field experience, study abroad, and a culminating senior experience. Senior results indicate students who participated in all six.
Detailed Statistics (pp. 10-13)	Displays detailed information for results including counts, standard errors, and confidence intervals (CIs) for each measure.

Interpreting year-to-year results

When examining year-to-year results, you may wonder whether observed differences signify meaningful change and whether a trend is indicated. Figures display CIs around each score showing the range of values that is estimated to contain the population score 95% of the time. Upper and lower CI bounds are also reported in the Detailed Statistics section.

For further investigation

The Report Builder, updated with current data in the fall, allows for multi-year analysis of Engagement Indicators and individual items (including HIPs). It also affords the analysis of results by subpopulation. The Report Builder can be accessed via the NSSE Institution Interface.



Administration Summaries

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The precision of an institution's population estimates can vary between administrations. An important early step in conducting a multi-year analysis is to review data quality. The values in the tables below were drawn from your Administration Summary reports.

Response Details by Participation Year

		Fi	rst-year studen	its			Seniors											
Year	Response rate ^a	Sampling error ^b	Total respondents ^c	Full completions	Partial completions	Response rate ^a	Sampling error ^b	Total respondents ^c	Full completions	Partial completions								
2013	16%	+/- 3.6%	627	462	165	23%	+/- 2.8%	917	749	168								
2014																		
2015																		
2016																		
2017	20%	+/- 3.7%	560	366	194	24%	+/- 2.6%	1,051	771	280								
2018																		
2019																		
2020																		
2021																		
2022	17%	+/- 4.9%	337	201	136	17%	+/- 4.2%	451	295	156								

Administration Details by Participation Year

			Incentives		Report Sample		
Year	Recruitment method	Sample type	offered	Additional question sets	identified ^d	BCSSE	FSSE
2013	Email	Census	No	Academic Advising	No	No	Yes
2014							
2015							
2016							
2017	Email	Census	No	Global Learning, Inclusiv & Cult Div	No	No	Yes
2018							
2019							
2020							
2021							
2022	Email	Census	No	Inclusiv & Cult Div, Career Preparation	No	No	Yes

Note: All of your institution's participation years since 2013 (the first year of the updated NSSE) are reported. Years in which your institution did not participate are blank.

a. Response rates (number of respondents divided by sample size) are adjusted for ineligibility, nondeliverable addresses, and students who were unavailable during the survey administration.

b. Sampling error gauges the precision of results based on a sample survey. It is an estimate (at the 95% confidence level) of how much results for your respondents could differ from those of the entire population of students at your institution. While data with larger sampling errors (such as +/-10%) need not be dismissed out of hand, such results should be interpreted more conservatively.

c. Count used to calculate response rates and sampling errors for each Administration Summary report. Includes all census-administered and randomly sampled students, regardless of "Report Sample" designation.

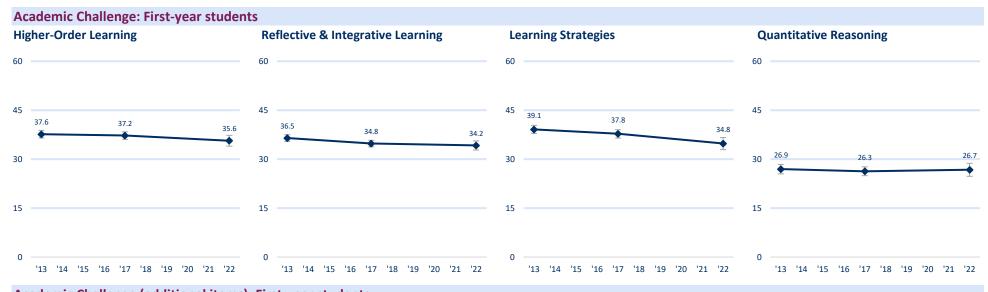
d. Starting in 2017, institutions had the option to flag a subset of students for exclusion from reports. Refer to your Administration Summary reports.

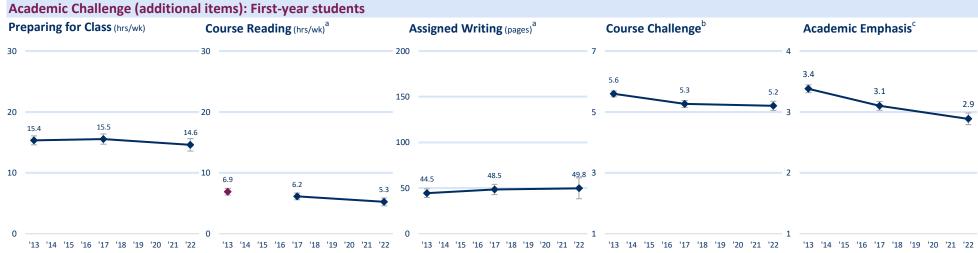


Engagement Results by Theme

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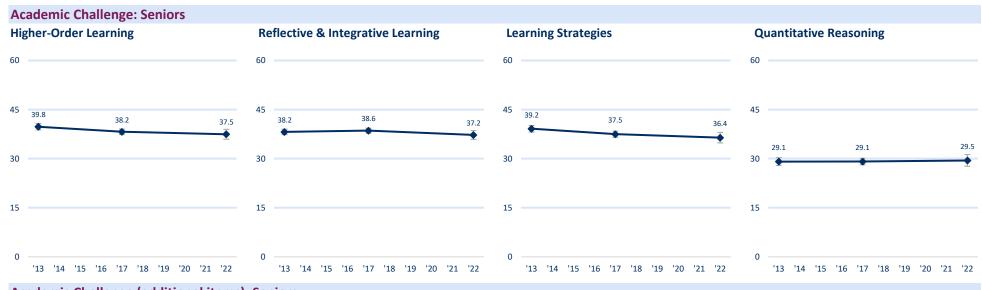
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- b. Extent to which courses challenged students to do their best work (1 = "Not at all" to 7 = "Very much").
- c. How much students said the institution emphasizes spending significant time studying and on academic work (1 = "Very little," 2 = "Some," 3 = "Quite a bit," and 4 = "Very much").

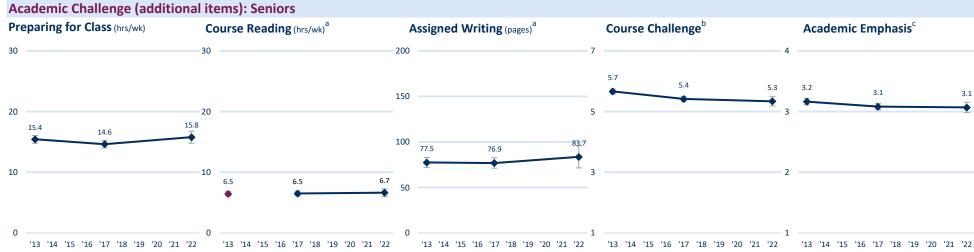


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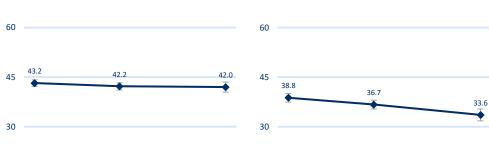
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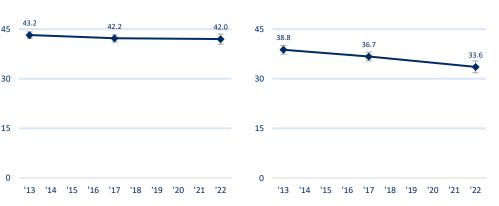
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Supportive Environment





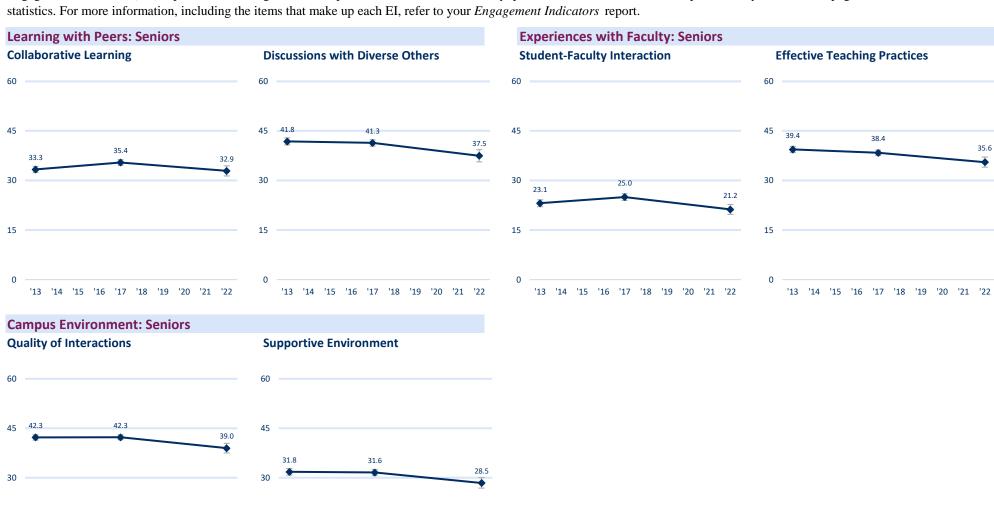
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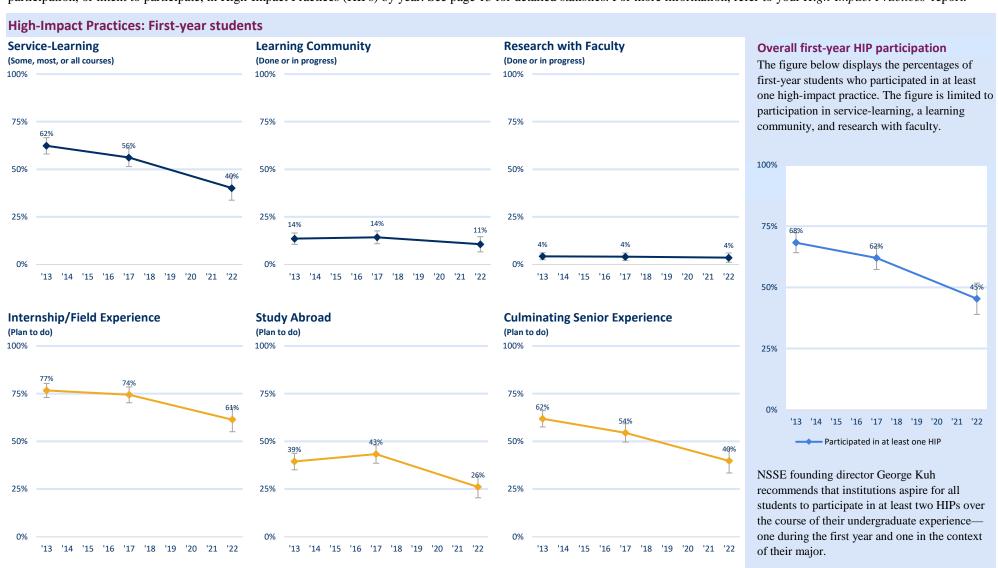
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Due to their positive associations with student learning and retention, certain undergraduate opportunities are designated "high-impact." The figures below display first-year students' participation, or intent to participate, in High-Impact Practices (HIPs) by year. See page 13 for detailed statistics. For more information, refer to your *High-Impact Practices* report.





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Detailed Statistics: Engagement Indicators and Additional Items

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					First-y	ear s	tudent	ts			Seniors										
		'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22
Academic Challenge																					
Higher-Order	Mean	37.6				37.2					35.6	39.8				38.2					37.5
Learning	n	540				496					257	816				958					353
· ·	SD	13.9				13.0					13.5	14.5				13.6					14.4
	SE	.60				.59					.84	.51				.44					.77
	CI upper bound	38.8				38.4					37.3	40.8				39.1					39.0
	CI lower bound	36.5				36.1					34.0	38.8				37.3					36.0
Reflective &	Mean	36.5				34.8					34.2	38.2				38.6					37.2
Integrative	n	571				521					283	860				996					392
Learning	SD	12.4				11.8					11.9	12.8				12.0					13.5
2001111118	SE	.52				.52					.71	.44				.38					.68
	CI upper bound	37.5				35.8					35.6	39.1				39.3					38.6
	CI lower bound	35.4				33.8					32.8	37.3				37.8					35.9
Learning Strategies	Mean	39.1				37.8					34.8	39.2				37.5					36.4
	n	495				426					231	778				846					332
	SD	14.1				13.3					14.2	14.5				14.2					14.9
	SE	.63				.65					.94	.52				.49					.82
	CI upper bound	40.3				39.0					36.6	40.2				38.5					38.0
	CI lower bound	37.9				36.5					33.0	38.1				36.5					34.8
Quantitative	Mean	26.9				26.3					26.7	29.1				29.1					29.5
Reasoning	n	550				487					238	838				952					335
	SD	17.2				15.2					15.5	17.6				15.8					16.6
	SE	.73				.69					1.01	.61				.51					.91
	CI upper bound	28.4				27.6					28.7	30.3				30.1					31.2
	CI lower bound	25.5				24.9					24.8	27.9				28.1					27.7
Academic Challenge (d	additional items	s)																			
Preparing for Class	Mean	15.4				15.5					14.6	15.4				14.6					15.8
(hours/week)	n	467				376					229	743				802					323
(, ,	SD	8.2				8.3					7.9	8.8				8.9					9.1
	SE	.38				.43					.52	.32				.31					.51
	CI upper bound	16.1				16.4					15.6	16.1				15.3					16.8
	CI lower bound	14.6				14.7					13.6	14.8				14.0					14.8
Course Reading	Mean	6.9				6.2					5.3	6.5				6.5					6.7
Est. hrs per wk	n	461				371					227	743				798					315
calculated from two	SD	5.9				5.4					4.9	5.3				6.1					5.8
items. Item wording	SE	.28				.28					.33	.19				.22					.33
changed in 2014;	CI upper bound	7.5				6.7					5.9	6.8				6.9					7.3
comparability with '13	CI lower bound	6.4				5.6					4.6	6.1				6.1					6.0
is limited.																					

Notes: n = Number of respondents; SD = Standard deviation; SE = Standard error of the mean; upper and lower bounds represent the 95% confidence interval (mean +/- 1.96 * SE).



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					First-y	ear s	tudent	ts					Senio	ors							
		'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22
Academic Challenge (a	ıdditional item	s, conti	nued)																		
Assigned Writing	Mean	44.5				48.5					49.8	77.5				76.9					83.7
Estimated number of	n	471				431					234	721				850					331
pages calculated from	SD	52.2				59.5					89.4	76.2				85.4					112.6
three survey questions.	SE	2.41				2.86					5.84	2.84				2.93					6.19
	CI upper bound	49.2				54.1					61.3	83.0				82.6					95.8
	CI lower bound	39.8				42.9					38.4	71.9				71.1					71.5
Course Challenge	Mean	5.6				5.3					5.2	5.7				5.4					5.3
Extent to which courses	n	504				426					231	795				845					333
challenged students to	SD	1.1				1.2					1.2	1.2				1.3					1.4
do best work (1="Not	SE	.05				.06					.08	.04				.04					.08
at all" to 7="Very	CI upper bound	5.7				5.4					5.4	5.7				5.5					5.5
much").	CI lower bound	5.5				5.2					5.1	5.6				5.3					5.2
Academic	Mean	3.4				3.1					2.9	3.2				3.1					3.1
Emphasis	n	466				386					228	746				811					330
Perceived inst'l emphasis	SD	0.7				0.7					0.7	0.7				0.8					0.8
on spending significant	SE	.03				.04					.05	.03				.03					.04
time studying and on	CI upper bound	3.4				3.2					3.0	3.2				3.1					3.2
academic work (1 = "Very little" to 4 = "Very much").	CI lower bound	3.3				3.0					2.8	3.1				3.0					3.0
Learning with Peers												-									
Collaborative	Mean	32.1				32.5					27.4	33.3				35.4					32.9
Learning	n	586				542					321	867				1,023					432
	SD	13.7				14.3					13.7	13.6				14.2					15.9
	SE	.57				.61					.77	.46				.45					.77
	CI upper bound	33.3				33.7					28.9	34.3				36.3					34.4
	CI lower bound	31.0				31.3					25.9	32.4				34.6					31.4
Discussions with	Mean	42.5				39.3					38.6	41.8				41.3					37.5
Diverse Others	n	503				424					234	787				849					330
Diverse officis	SD	15.0				14.9					15.6	15.3				14.7					17.0
	SE	.67				.72					1.02	.54				.50					.93
	CI upper bound	43.8				40.7					40.6	42.9				42.3					39.3
	CI lower bound	41.2				37.8					36.6	40.8				40.4					35.7

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		'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22
Experiences with Facu	ılty																				
Student-Faculty	Mean	21.8				23.8					19.5	23.1				25.0					21.2
Interaction	n	556				498					270	838				981					371
	SD	15.2				14.5					14.6	15.5				16.0					14.9
	SE	.64				.65					.89	.54				.51					.77
	CI upper bound	23.1				25.1					21.2	24.2				26.0					22.8
	CI lower bound	20.6				22.6					17.8	22.1				24.0					19.7
Effective Teaching	Mean	38.8				36.9					35.9	39.4				38.4					35.6
Practices	n	555				497					254	844				968					348
Tractices	SD	13.0				12.8					12.6	13.8				13.1					14.4
	SE	.55				.57					.79	.48				.42					.77
	CI upper bound	39.9				38.0					37.4	40.3				39.2					37.1
	CI lower bound	37.7				35.8					34.3	38.5				37.6					34.0
Campus Environment																					
Quality of	Mean	43.2				42.2					42.0	42.3				42.3					39.0
Interactions	n	479				404					214	747				786					304
	SD	11.0				11.6					11.4	11.5				10.8					12.8
	SE	.50				.58					.78	.42				.38					.74
	CI upper bound	44.2				43.4					43.5	43.1				43.0					40.4
	CI lower bound	42.2				41.1					40.5	41.4				41.5					37.5
Supportive	Mean	38.8				36.7					33.6	31.8				31.6					28.5
Environment	n	461				375					228	736				806					327
	SD	14.3				13.2					13.8	14.0				13.8					14.4
	SE	.67				.68					.91	.52				.49					.79
	CI upper bound	40.1				38.1					35.4	32.8				32.6					30.0
	CI lower bound	37.5				35.4					31.8	30.8				30.7					26.9

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Detailed Statistics: High-Impact Practices

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					First	-year s	tuden	ts			Seniors										
		'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22
Service-Learning ^a	%	62				56					40	64				63					59
	n	497				412					230	789				841					332
	SE	2.2				2.4					3.2	1.7				1.7					2.7
	CI upper bound (%)	67				61					47	68				66					64
	CI lower bound (%)	58				51					34	61				59					54
Learning Community ^a	%	14				14					11	23				26					25
	n	498				414					231	792				841					333
	SE	1.5				1.7					2.0	1.5				1.5					2.4
	CI upper bound (%)	17				18					15	26				29					29
	CI lower bound (%)	11				11					7	20				23					20
Research with	%	4				4					4	23				23					21
Faculty ^a	n SE	495 0.9				415					231 1.2	788				843					334
	CI upper bound (%)	6				1.0 6					1.2 6	1.5 26				1.5 26					2.2 25
	CI lower bound (%)	3				2					1	20				20					16
Internality on Field	%	77				74					61	51				50					56
Internship or Field	n	502				425					232	793				846					331
Experience ^b	SE	1.9				2.1					3.2	1.8				1.7					2.7
(First-year results: Plan to	CI upper bound (%)	80				79					68	54				53					62
do)	CI lower bound (%)	73				70					55	48				47					51
Study Abroad ^b	%	39				43					26	12				14					6
	n	499				413					232	790				842					334
(First-year results: Plan to	SE	2.2				2.4					2.9	1.1				1.2					1.3
do)	CI upper bound (%)	44				48					32	14				17					9
	CI lower bound (%)	35				39					20	9				12					4
Culminating Senior	%	62				54					40	46				42					44
Experience ^b	n	497				414					231	790				844					331
•	SE	2.2				2.4					3.2	1.8				1.7					2.7
(First-year results: Plan to	CI upper bound (%)	66				59					46	50				45					49
do)	CI lower bound (%)	58				50					33	43				39					38
Overall HIP Participation	on ^c																				
Participated in one	%	58				52					38	23				24					20
HIP	n	504				417					232	796				849					335
•••	SE	2.2				2.4					3.2	1.5				1.5					2.2
	CI upper bound (%)	62				56					44	26				27					25
	CI lower bound (%)	54				47					32	20				21					16
Participated in two	%	10				10					7	65				62					66
or more HIPs	n	504				417					232	796				849					335
	SE	1.4				1.5					1.7	1.7				1.7					2.6
	CI upper bound (%)	13				13					11	69				66					71
	CI lower bound (%)	8				7					4	62				59					61

Notes: n = Number of respondents; SE = Standard error of the proportion (sqrt[(p*(1-p))/(n-1)]) where p is the proportion; upper and lower bounds represent the 95% confidence interval (p+/-1.96*SE).

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a. Results are the percentage who had done the activity.

b. First-year results are the percentage who planned to do the activity; Senior results are the percentage who had done the activity.

c. First-year results are limited to participation in a Learning Community, Service-Learning, and Research with Faculty; senior results include all six HIPs.