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A Summary of Student Engagement Results

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

Comparison Group The comparison group featured in this report is

Public Over 20K Enrl

See your Selected Comparison Groups report for details.

This Snapshot is a concise collection of key findings from your institution's NSSE 2016 administration. We hope this information stimulates discussions about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these and other results appear in the reports referenced throughout.

Engagement Indicators				Your students compared with	
Sets of items are grouped into ten			Public Over 20K Enrl		
Engagement Indicators, organized	Theme	Engagement Indicator	First-year	Senior	
under four broad themes. At right are summary results for your institution. For details, see your <i>Engagement Indicators</i> report.		Higher-Order Learning			
	Academic Challenge	Reflective & Integrative Learning			
		Learning Strategies			
Key:		Quantitative Reasoning			
Your students' average was significantly higher $(p < .05)$ with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.	Learning	Collaborative Learning			
Your students' average was significantly higher ($p < .05$) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.	with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others			
No significant difference.	Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction			
Your students' average was significantly lower ($p < .05$) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.		Effective Teaching Practices			
Your students' average was significantly lower ($p < .05$) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.	Campus Environment	Quality of Interactions			
		Supportive Environment			

High-Impact Practices

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

First-year

Senior

Univ of Houston 68 42% Learning Community, Service-Learning, and Research w/Faculty Public Over 20K Enrl 13% 44% 0% 25% 50% 75% 100% Learning Community, Service-Univ of Houston Learning, Research w/Faculty, 44% 34% Internship, Study Abroad, and Culminating Senior Public Over 20K Enrl 61% 24%



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Experience

Participated in two or more HIPs
Participated in one HIP



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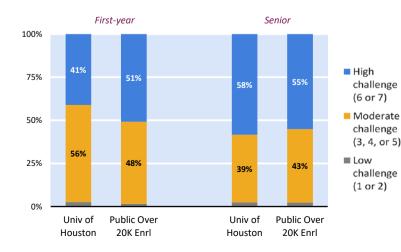
Academic Challenge: Additional Results

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



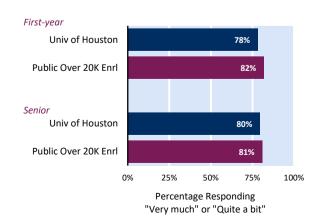
Challenging Students to Do Their Best Work

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



Academic Emphasis

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



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Item Comparisons

By examining individual NSSE questions, you can better understand what contributes to your institution's performance on the

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

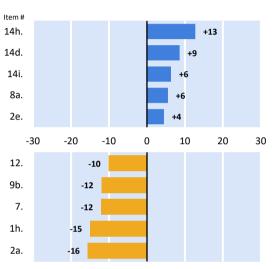
First-year

Highest Performing Relative to Public Over 20K Enrl

Institution emphasis on attending campus activities and events $()^{c}$ (SE)				
Institution emphasis on encouraging contact among students from different backgrounds c (SE)				
Institution emphasis on attending events that address important social/econ./polit. issues ^c (SE)				
Discussions with People of a race or ethnicity other than your own^b (DD)				
Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagininghis or her perspective $^{\mathrm{b}}$ (RI)				

Lowest Performing Relative to Public Over 20K Enrl

About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)? $^{\rm e}$ (HIP)				
Reviewed your notes after class ^b (LS)				
Assigned more than 50 pages of writing ^g				
Worked with other students on course projects or assignments ^b (CL)				
Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments ^b (RI)				



Percentage Point Difference with Public Over 20K Enrl

Senior

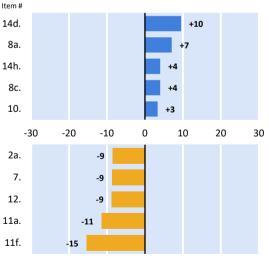
Highest Performing Relative to Public Over 20K Enrl

Institution emphasis on encouraging contact among students from different backgrounds $^{\rm c}$ (SE)	14			
Discussions with People of a race or ethnicity other than your own^b (DD)				
Institution emphasis on attending campus activities and events $\left(\right)^{c}$ (SE)				
Discussions with People with religious beliefs other than your own^b (DD)	8			
Extent to which courses challenged you to do your best work ^d	1			
Lowest Performing Relative to Public Over 20K Enrl				
Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments $^{\mathrm{b}}$ (RI)	2			
Assigned more than 50 pages of writing ^g				

About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)?^e (HIP)

Participated in an internship, co-op, field exp., student teach., clinical placemt. (HIP)

Completed a culminating senior experience (...) (HIP)



Percentage Point Difference with Public Over 20K Enrl

a. The displays on this page draw from the items that make up the ten Engagement Indicators (EIs), six High-Impact Practices (HIPs), and the additional academic challenge items reported on page 2. Key to abbreviations for EI items: HO = Higher-Order Learning, RI = Reflective & Integrative Learning, LS = Learning Strategies, QR = Quantitative Reasoning, CL = Collaborative Learning, DD = Discussions with Diverse Others, SF = Student-Faculty Interaction, ET = Effective Teaching Practices, QI = Quality of Interactions, SE = Supportive Environment. HIP items are also indicated. Item numbering corresponds to the survey facsimile included in your *Institutional Report* and available on the NSSE website.

- c. Combination of students responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit."
- d. Rated at least 6 on a 7-point scale.
- e. Percentage reporting at least "Some."
- f. Estimate based on the reported amount of course preparation time spent on assigned reading.
- g. Estimate based on number of assigned writing tasks of various lengths.

b. Combination of students responding "Very often" or "Often."



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How Students Assess Their Experience

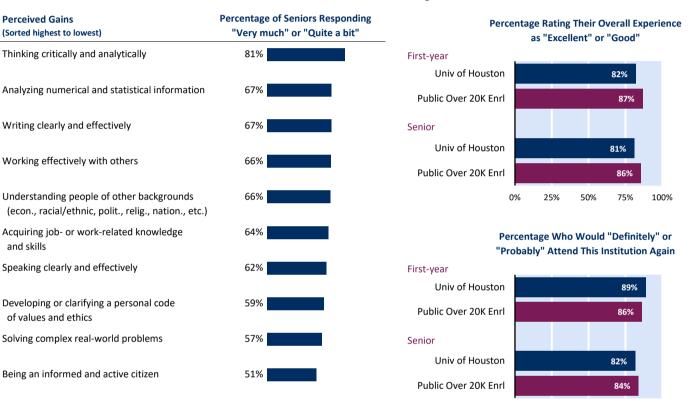
Students' perceptions of their cognitive and affective development, as well as their overall satisfaction with the institution, provide useful evidence of their educational experiences. For more details, see your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons*

Perceived Gains Among Seniors

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

Satisfaction with Univ of Houston

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



Administration Details

Response Summary

_	Count	Resp. rate	Female	Full-time
First-year	291	5%	63%	93%
Senior	662	5%	61%	68%

See your Administration Summary and Respondent Profile reports for more information.

What is NSSE?

Additional Questions

Your institution administered the following additional question set(s):

0%

25%

50%

75%

100%

Academic Advising

Learning with Technology

See your Topical Module report(s) for results.

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

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

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