NSSE national survey of student engagement

NSSE 2016 Snapshot

The University of Texas at Tyler

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

UT System

See your *Selected Comparison Groups* report for details.

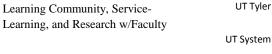
This *Snapshot* is a concise collection of key findings from your institution's NSSE 2016 administration. We hope this information stimulates discussions about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these and other results appear in the reports referenced throughout.

Engagement Indicators Sets of items are grouped into ten			Your students compared with UT System	
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. <i>Key:</i>	Academic Challenge	Higher-Order Learning		
		Reflective & Integrative Learning		
		Learning Strategies		
		Quantitative Reasoning		
Your students' average was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.	Learning with Peers	Collaborative Learning		Δ
 Your students' average was significantly ▲ higher (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude. 		Discussions with Diverse Others	Δ	Δ
No significant difference.	Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction		Δ
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	Δ	
		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

Learning Community, Service-Learning, Research w/Faculty, Internship, Study Abroad, and Culminating Senior Experience



Participated in one HIP

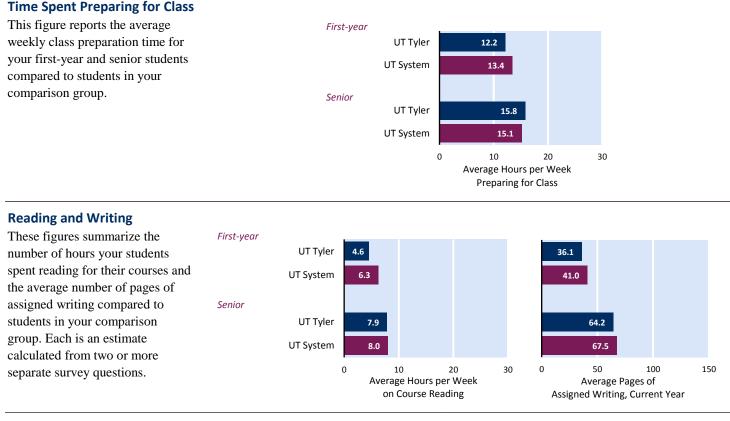
Participated in two or more HIPs



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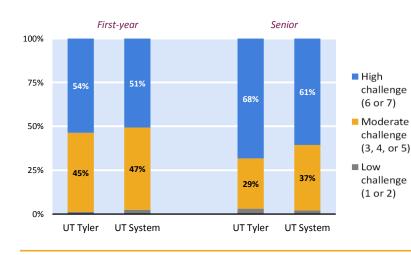
Academic Challenge: Additional Results

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



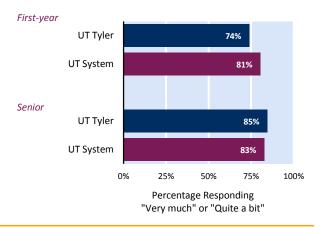
Challenging Students to Do Their Best Work

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

Senior

Highest Performing Relative to UT System

Discussions with... People of a race or ethnicity other than your own^b (DD) Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member^b (SF) Quality of interactions with other administrative staff and offices (...)^d (QI) Discussions with... People with political views other than your own^b (DD) Discussions with... People with religious beliefs other than your own^b (DD)

Lowest Performing Relative to UT System

Highest Performing Relative to UT System

Quality of interactions with student services staff (...)^d (QI)

Lowest Performing Relative to UT System

Quality of interactions with academic advisors^d (QI)

Quality of interactions with other administrative staff and offices (...)^d (QI)

Worked with other students on course projects or assignments^b (CL)

Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member^b (SF)

Institution emphasis on providing opportunities to be involved socially^c (SE)

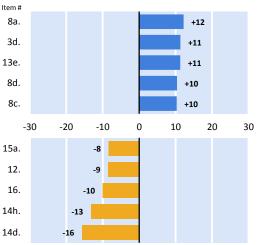
Included diverse perspectives (...) in course discussions or assignments^b (RI)

Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information^b (QR)

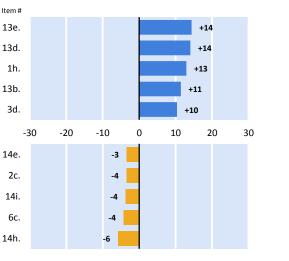
Institution emphasis on attending campus activities and events (...)^c (SE)

Institution emphasis on attending events that address important social/econ./polit. issues^c (SE)

Spent more than 15 hours per week preparing for class	15
About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)? ^e (HIP)	1
Spent more than 10 hours per week on assigned reading ^f	1
Institution emphasis on attending campus activities and events $()^{c}$ (SE)	14
Institution emphasis on encouraging contact among students from different backgrounds ^c (SE)	14



Percentage Point Difference with UT System



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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.

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

- 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.



How Students Assess Their Experience

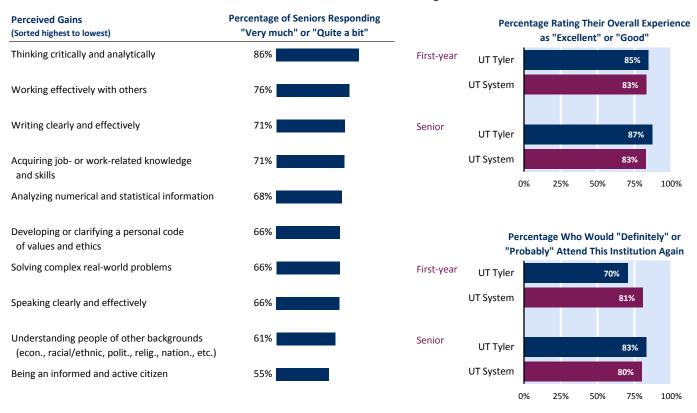
Students' perceptions of their cognitive and affective development, as well as their overall satisfaction with the institution, provide useful evidence of their educational experiences. For more details, see your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons* report.

Perceived Gains Among Seniors

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

Satisfaction with UT Tyler

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	147	25%	66%	98%
Senior	453	29%	69%	72%
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See your *Administration Summary* and *Respondent Profile* reports for more information.

Additional Questions

Your institution did not choose to administer additional questions. In future administrations, you may customize NSSE by participating in a topical module or a consortium. See our website for more information. nsse.indiana.edu

What is NSSE?

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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