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About This Report

About Your Engagement Indicators Report

Engagement Indicators (EIs) provide a useful summary of the detailed information contained in your students' NSSE responses. By combining responses to related NSSE questions, each EI offers valuable information about a distinct aspect of student engagement. Ten indicators, based on three to eight survey questions each (a total of 47 survey questions), are organized into four broad themes as shown at right.

Theme	Engagement Indicator
Academic Challenge	Higher-Order Learning Reflective & Integrative Learning Learning Strategies Quantitative Reasoning
Learning with Peers	Collaborative Learning Discussions with Diverse Others
Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction Effective Teaching Practices
Campus Environment	Quality of Interactions Supportive Environment

Report Sections

Overview (p. 3)

Displays how average EI scores for your students compare with those of students at your comparison group institutions.

Theme Reports (pp. 4-13)

Detailed views of EI scores within the four themes for your students and those at comparison group institutions. Three views offer varied insights into your EI scores:

Mean Comparisons

Straightforward comparisons of average scores between your students and those at comparison group institutions, with tests of significance and effect sizes (see below).

Score Distributions

Box-and-whisker charts show the variation in scores *within* your institution and comparison groups.

Performance on Indicator Items

Responses to each item in a given EI are summarized for your institution and comparison groups.

Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions (p. 15)

Comparisons of your students' average scores on each EI with those of students at institutions whose average scores were in the top 50% and top 10% of 2017 and 2018 participating institutions.

Detailed Statistics (pp. 16-19)

Detailed information about EI score means, distributions, and tests of statistical significance.

Interpreting Comparisons

Mean comparisons report both statistical significance and effect size. Effect size indicates the practical importance of an observed difference. For EI comparisons, NSSE research has concluded that an effect size of about .1 may be considered small, .3 medium, and .5 large (Rocconi & Gonyea, 2015). Comparisons with an effect size of at least .3 in magnitude (before rounding) are highlighted in the Overview (p. 3).

Els vary more among students within an institution than between institutions, like many experiences and outcomes in higher education. As a result, focusing attention on average scores alone amounts to examining the tip of the iceberg. It's equally important to understand how student engagement varies within your institution. Score distributions indicate how El scores vary among your students and those in your comparison groups. The Report Builder and your Major Field Report (both to be released in the fall) offer valuable perspectives on internal variation and help you investigate your students' engagement in depth.

How Engagement Indicators are Computed

Each EI is scored on a 60-point scale. To produce an indicator score, the response set for each item is converted to a 60-point scale (e.g., Never = 0; Sometimes = 20; Often = 40; Very often = 60), and the rescaled items are averaged. Thus a score of zero means a student responded at the bottom of the scale for every item in the EI, while a score of 60 indicates responses at the top of the scale on every item.

For more information on EIs and their psychometric properties, refer to the NSSE website: nsse.indiana.edu

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Overview

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Engagement Indicators: Overview

Engagement Indicator

Engagement Indicators are summary measures based on sets of NSSE questions examining key dimensions of student engagemen The ten indicators are organized within four broad themes: Academic Challenge, Learning with Peers, Experiences with Faculty, Campus Environment. The tables below compare average scores for your students with those in your comparison groups.

Your first-year students

compared with

UT System

Your first-year students

compared with

Aspirational Peers

Your first-year stud

compared with

In-State Peers

Use the following key:

First-Year Students

Theme

- **Your students' average** was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.
- \triangle Your students' average was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- -- No significant difference.
- ∇ Your students' average was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
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	Higher-Order Learning			
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning			
Challenge	Learning Strategies	Δ		
	Quantitative Reasoning		Δ	
Learning with	Collaborative Learning	Δ		
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	Δ		
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction			
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices		Δ	
Campus	Quality of Interactions			Δ
Environment	Supportive Environment			
eniors		Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with
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	Higher-Order Learning			Δ
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning		∇	
Challenge	Learning Strategies	Δ	Δ	Δ
	Quantitative Reasoning			
Learning with	Collaborative Learning			Δ
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others			
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with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	Δ		Δ
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Score Distributions

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NSSE 2018 Engagement Indicators

Academic Challenge

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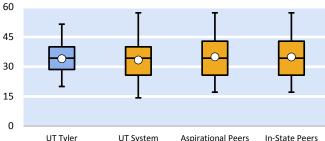
Academic Challenge: First-year students

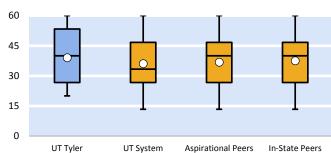
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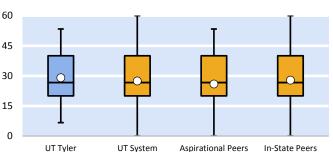
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	UT Tyler	Tyler UT System Effect		Aspirational Peers Effect		In-Sta	te Peers Effect	
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Higher-Order Learning	37.0	37.0	.00	37.1	.00	38.0	07	
Reflective & Integrative Learning	34.0	33.4	.06	35.0	08	34.9	07	
Learning Strategies	39.0	36.0 *	.21	36.7	.17	37.4	.11	
Quantitative Reasoning	29.0	27.4	.10	25.9 *	.21	27.8	.08	

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Higher-Order Learning	UT Tyler	UT System	Peers	In-State Peers
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized	%			
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	65	-4	-4	-6
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	74	+8	+6	+5
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	71	+5	+1	+1
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	61	-4	-4	-8
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	49	+2	-1	+1
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	42	-3	-10	-9
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	43	+0	-10	-8
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	58	-2	-2	-5
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	69	+1	ļ -o	-3
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	66	+2	+0	-3
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	83	+11	+6	+8
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	75	+5	+2	+3
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	70	+9	+8	+5
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	70	+13	+13	+9
Quantitative Reasoning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	54	-0	+6	+0
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	42	+4	+6	+2
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	40	+2	+7	+0

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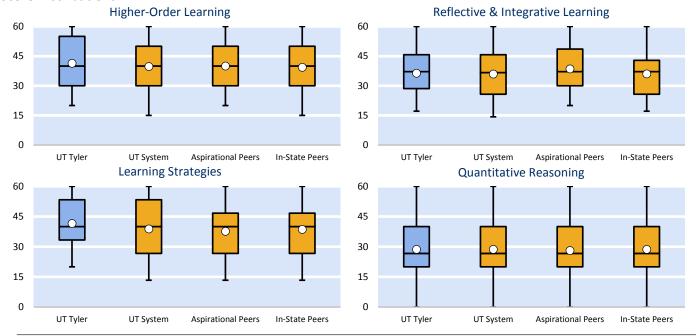
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Higher-Order Learning	41.3	39.7	.11	39.9	.10	39.3 *	.14		
Reflective & Integrative Learning	36.3	35.9	.03	38.5 **	18	36.0	.02		
Learning Strategies	41.5	38.8 **	.19	37.6 ***	.27	38.6 ***	.20		
Quantitative Reasoning	28.6	28.6	.00	28.0	.03	28.6	.00		

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Academic Challenge: Seniors (continued)

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Higher-Order Learning		UT System	Aspirational Peers	In-State Peers
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Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	66	+6	-5	+2
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	57	+3	-6	+3
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	44	ļ -1	-12	Ĭ -1
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	66	+4	+1	+4
Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	67	-3	-6	-4
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	72	+3	-0	+3
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	81	+2	-3	+1
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	79	+2	+2	+3
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	76	+10	+15	+10
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	72	+8	+12	+8
Quantitative Reasoning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	55	+0	+4	ļ -0
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	41	ļ -o	+1	-1
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	41	+0	-1	+0

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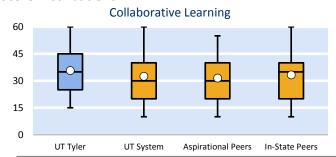
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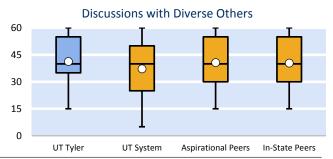
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Collaborative Learning	35.7	32.5 *	.23	31.5 ***	.31	33.3	.17	
Discussions with Diverse Others	41.3	37.2 **	.24	40.7	.04	40.4	.06	

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Collaborative Learning	UT Tyler	UT System	Aspirational Peers	In-State Peers	
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	60	+7	+10	+3	
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	68	+11	+13	+9	
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	54	+5	+9	+1	
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	58	+1	+8	+4	
Discussions with Diverse Others					
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with					
8a. People from a race or ethnicity other than your own	73	+8	-3	-3	
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	75	+10	+1	+3	
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	71	+8	+0	+2	
8d. People with political views other than your own	72	+14	+8	+8	

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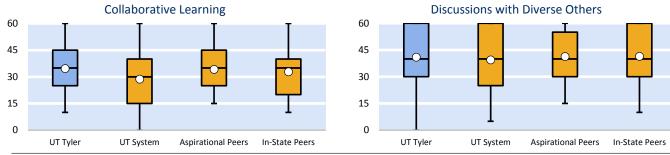
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Discussions with Diverse Others	41.0	39.4	.09	41.3	02	41.4	03

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Collaborative Learning	UT Tyler	UT System	Peers	In-State Peers
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
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Discussions with Diverse Others				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with				
8a. People from a race or ethnicity other than your own	77	+6	-1	-0
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	73	+3	-2	-1
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8d. People with political views other than your own	70	+6	+7	+4

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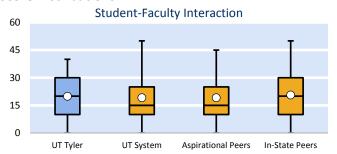
Experiences with Faculty: First-year students

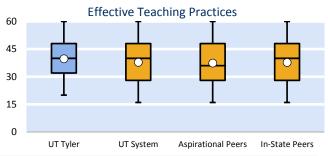
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Student-Faculty Interaction	19.9	19.1	.05	19.2	.06	20.6	04
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3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	29	-4	-4	-8
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	22	+3	+5	-2
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	31	+8	+8	+4
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	29	+3	+4	-0
Effective Teaching Practices				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	88	+12	+13	+11
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	79	+6	+7	+6
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	77	+4	+5	+6
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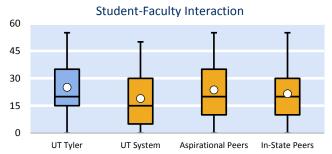
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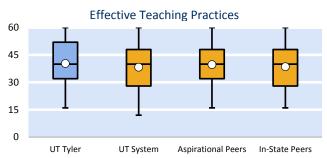
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5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	82	+3	+2	+4
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	82	+7	+4	+7
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	78	+4	-2	+4
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	61	+6	-0	+4
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	63	+4	+1	+2

a. Percentage point difference = Institution percentage - Comparison group percentage. Because results are rounded to whole numbers, differences of less than 1 point may or may not display a bar. Small, but nonzero differences may be represented as +0 or -0.



Campus Environment

The University of Texas at Tyler

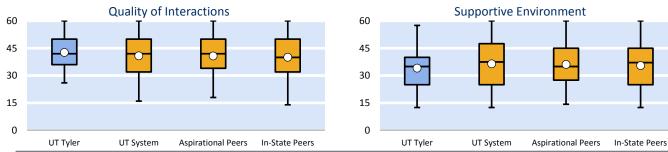
Campus Environment: First-year students

Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

Mean Comparisons			Your	first-year studeı	nts compared w	rith		
	UT Tyler	UTS	System	Aspirati	onal Peers	In-Sta	te Peers	
			Effect		Effect		Effect	
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Quality of Interactions	42.7	40.8	.14	40.7	.16	40.0 *	.20	
Supportive Environment	34.0	36.4	17	36.0	15	35.5	10	

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; *p < .05, **p < .01, ***p < .001 (2-tailed).

Score Distributions



Notes: Each box-and-whiskers chart plots the 5th (bottom of lower bar), 25th (bottom of box), 50th (middle line), 75th (top of box), and 95th (top of upper bar) percentile scores. The dot represents the mean score. Refer to Detailed Statistics for your institution's sample sizes.

Performance on Indicator Items

The table below displays how your students responded to each EI item, and the difference, in percentage points, between your students and those of your comparison group. Blue bars indicate how much higher your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group. Dark red bars indicate how much lower your institution's percentage is from that of the comparison group.

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		Percentage point	difference a between yo Aspirational	our FY students and
Quality of Interactions	UT Tyler	UT System	Peers	In-State Peers
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%			
13a. Students	57	+11	+9	+10
13b. Academic advisors	48	+2	+2	+4
13c. Faculty	51	+7	+7	+10
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	45	+1	+4	+5
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	45	+3	+7	+6
Supportive Environment		•	•	=
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	76	+1	+4	+5
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	78	-2	+3	+7
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	49	-15	-15	-12
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	68	-1	-4	(-1
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	67	-2	-4	-1
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	36	-8	-5	-8
1.4h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	65	+4	+2	+2
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	39	-10	-10	-11

Notes: Refer to your Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons report for full distributions and significance tests. Item numbering corresponds to the survey facsimile included in your Institutional Report and available on the NSSE website.

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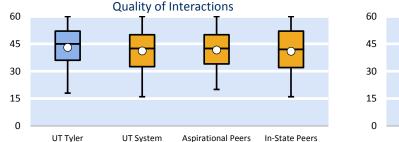
Campus Environment: Seniors

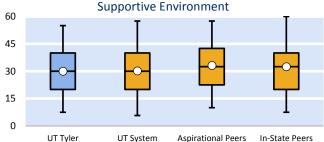
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Mean Comparisons				Your seniors comp	pared with		
	UT Tyler	UT Sys		Aspiration		In-State	
			Effect		Effect		Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	43.0	41.1 *	.14	41.7	.11	41.0 **	.15
Supportive Environment	30.0	30.2	01	33.2 ***	23	32.4 **	17

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; *p < .05, **p < .01, ***p < .001 (2-tailed).

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		Percentage point difference ^a between your seniors and							
			Aspirational						
Quality of Interactions	UT Tyler	UT System	Peers	In-State Peers					
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%								
13a. Students	62	+7	+7	+5					
13b. Academic advisors	49	+2	+3	+3					
13c. Faculty	57	+5	+5	+6					
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	44	+5	+4	+3					
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	51	+9	+10	+9					
Supportive Environment		·	,	,					
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized									
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	69	+2	<u> </u> -0	+3					
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	63	+1	-2	-1					
4d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	51	-3	-9	-10					
.4e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	60	+2	-8	-6					
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	54	+0	-14	-5					
.4g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	33	+4	+1	-1					
4h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	44	+0	-9	-9					
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	34	-3	-12	-8					

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Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions The University of Texas at Tyler

Comparisons with Top 50% and Top 10% Institutions

While NSSE's policy is not to rank institutions (see nsse.indiana.edu/html/position_policies.cfm), the results below are designed to compare the engagement of your students with those attending two groups of institutions identified by NSSE^a for their high average levels of student engagement:

- (a) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 50% of all 2017 and 2018 NSSE institutions, and
- (b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2017 and 2018 NSSE institutions.

While the average scores for most institutions are below the mean for the top 50% or top 10%, your institution may show areas of distinction where your average student was as engaged as (or even more engaged than) the typical student at high-performing institutions. A check mark (\checkmark) signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable to that of the high-performing group. However, the presence of a check mark does not necessarily mean that your institution was a member of that group.

It should be noted that most of the variability in student engagement is within, not between, institutions. Even "high-performing" institutions have students with engagement levels below the average for all institutions.

First-Year	Students			Your first-ye	ar stude	ents compared with	1	
		UT Tyler	NSSE T	Top 50%		NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
•	Higher-Order Learning	37.0	38.9	15		40.5 **	26	
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	34.0	36.5 *	20		38.1 ***	33	
Challenge	Learning Strategies	39.0	39.5	04	✓	41.6 *	19	
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.0	28.7	.02	✓	30.4	09	✓
Learning	Collaborative Learning	35.7	35.1	.04	✓	37.2	11	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	41.3	41.4	01	✓	43.4	14	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	19.9	24.3 **	29		27.2 ***	46	
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	39.7	40.3	04	✓	42.0 *	16	
Campus	Quality of Interactions	42.7	43.9	10		45.9 **	26	
Environment	Supportive Environment	34.0	37.9 **	30		39.7 ***	43	
Seniors				Your se	eniors co	ompared with		
		UT Tyler	NSSE T	Top 50%		NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
	Higher-Order Learning	41.3	41.3	.00	✓	42.5	08	✓
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	36.3	39.6 ***	27		41.1 ***	40	
Challenge	Learning Strategies	41.5	40.2	.09	✓	42.3	06	✓
	Quantitative Reasoning	28.6	30.7 *	13		32.7 ***	26	
Learning	Collaborative Learning	34.6	35.7	08	✓	38.1 ***	26	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	41.0	41.9	06	✓	43.8 **	18	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	25.1	29.2 ***	26		33.3 ***	51	
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	40.3	41.1	06	✓	43.1 ***	21	
Campus	Quality of Interactions	43.0	44.4	11		46.5 ***	28	
Environment	Supportive Environment	30.0	34.3 ***	31		36.4 ***	46	

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation; *p < .05, **p < .01, ***p < .001 (2-tailed).

- a. Precision-weighted means (produced by Hierarchical Linear Modeling) were used to determine the top 50% and top 10% institutions for each Engagement Indicator from all NSSE 2017 and 2018 institutions, separately by class. Using this method, Engagement Indicator scores of institutions with relatively large standard errors were adjusted toward the mean of all students, while those with smaller standard errors received smaller corrections. As a result, schools with less stable data—even those with high average scores—may not be among the top scorers. NSSE does not publish the names of the top 50% and top 10% institutions because of our commitment not to release institutional results and our policy against ranking institutions.
- b. Check marks are assigned to comparisons that are either significant and positive, or non-significant with an effect size > -.10.



Detailed Statistics^a The University of Texas at Tyler

Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	n statist	ics		Perce	ntile ^d scc	res		Со	mparison	results	
		SD ^b	SEM ^c	F#1-	25+1-	50+h	7546	0546	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
Academic Challenge	Mean	30	SEIVI	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	jreedom	uijj.	siy.	3126
Higher-Order Learning												
UT Tyler (N = 117)	37.0	12.4	1.14	15	30	40	40	60				
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	37.0	13.9	.20	15	25	40	45	60	123	.1	.958	.004
UT System Aspirational Peers	37.0	12.9	.20	15	30	40	45	60	4,333	.1 1	.958	005
In-State Peers					30		45 45			1 -1.0		
	38.0	13.4	.25	20		40		60	2,940		.442	072
Top 50%	38.9	13.1	.03	20	30	40	50	60	160,667	-1.9	.113	146
Top 10%	40.5	13.3	.07	20	30	40	50	60	38,268	-3.5	.005	261
Reflective & Integrative Learnin	ng											
UT Tyler $(N = 121)$	34.0	10.6	.96	20	29	34	40	51				
UT System	33.4	12.5	.17	14	26	34	40	57	128	.7	.485	.055
Aspirational Peers	35.0	11.4	.17	17	26	34	43	57	4,562	9	.384	080
In-State Peers	34.9	12.0	.22	17	26	34	43	57	3,059	9	.426	074
Top 50%	36.5	11.8	.03	17	29	37	43	57	150,803	-2.4	.025	204
Top 10%	38.1	12.0	.07	20	29	37	46	60	122	-4.0	.000	334
Learning Strategies	20.0	14.2	1 22	20	27	40	52	60				
UT Tyler (N = 116)	39.0	14.2	1.32	20	27	40	53	60	4.727	2.0	025	212
UT System	36.0	14.1	.21	13	27	33	47	60	4,737	3.0	.025	.212
Aspirational Peers	36.7	13.7	.22 .27	13	27 27	40	47	60	3,859	2.3	.077	.167
In-State Peers	37.4	14.2	.04	13	27	40	47 52	60	2,806	1.6	.248	.110
Top 50% Top 10%	39.5 41.6	13.7 14.1	.04	20 20	33	40 40	53 53	60 60	130,078 31,498	5 -2.6	.686 .046	038 186
10p 10%	41.0	14.1	.08	20	33	40	33	00	31,490	-2.0	.040	100
Quantitative Reasoning												
UT Tyler $(N = 116)$	29.0	13.6	1.27	7	20	27	40	53				
UT System	27.4	15.7	.23	0	20	27	40	60	4,841	1.6	.284	.101
Aspirational Peers	25.9	14.8	.23	0	20	27	40	53	4,227	3.1	.026	.210
In-State Peers	27.8	15.6	.30	0	20	27	40	60	2,874	1.2	.426	.076
Top 50%	28.7	15.2	.04	0	20	27	40	60	169,798	.3	.806	.023
Top 10%	30.4	15.3	.07	7	20	27	40	60	41,620	-1.4	.335	090
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
UT Tyler (N = 125)	35.7	12.8	1.14	15	25	35	45	60				
UT System	32.5	14.2	.19	10	20	30	40	60	5,955	3.2	.012	.226
Aspirational Peers	31.5	13.4	.20	10	20	30	40	55	4,811	4.2	.001	.315
In-State Peers	33.3	14.4	.26	10	20	35	40	60	3,180	2.4	.063	.170
Top 50%	35.1	13.6	.03	15	25	35	45	60	177,188	.6	.646	.041
Top 10%	37.2	13.6	.07	15	25	40	45	60	39,694	-1.6	.202	114
<u> </u>												
Discussions with Diverse Others		15.2	1.42	1.5	25	40	<i></i>	<i>c</i> 0				
UT Tyler (N = 116)	41.3	15.3	1.42	15	35	40	55	60	122	4.1	005	245
UT System	37.2	16.9	.25	5 15	25	40	50	60	122	4.1	.005	.245
Aspirational Peers	40.7	14.7	.24	15	30	40	55 55	60	3,898	.6	.660	.042
In-State Peers	40.4	16.0	.31	15	30	40 40	55 55	60	2,819	.9	.534	.059
Top 50% Top 10%	41.4 43.4	15.0 14.8	.04 .08	15 20	30 35	40	55 60	60 60	162,221 36,136	1 -2.1	.956 .125	005 143
10p 1070	+3.4	14.0	.00	20	33	43	00	00	30,130	-2.1	.123	143

Experiences with Faculty



Detailed Statistics^a The University of Texas at Tyler

Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	n statist	ics		Perce	ntile ^d sco	ores		Co	mparison	results	
				-					Deg. of	Mean		Effect
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Student-Faculty Interaction												
UT Tyler $(N = 118)$	19.9	14.0	1.29	0	10	20	30	40				
UT System	19.1	14.8	.21	0	10	15	25	50	5,253	.8	.565	.054
Aspirational Peers	19.2	13.8	.21	0	10	15	25	45	4,408	.8	.549	.056
In-State Peers	20.6	15.6	.29	0	10	20	30	50	2,981	6	.667	040
Top 50%	24.3	14.8	.05	5	15	20	35	55	100,681	-4.3	.002	291
Top 10%	27.2	15.8	.12	5	15	25	40	60	16,944	-7.3	.000	463
Effective Teaching Practices												
UT Tyler $(N = 117)$	39.7	10.7	.99	20	32	40	48	60				
UT System	37.8	13.8	.20	16	28	40	48	60	126	2.0	.052	.143
Aspirational Peers	37.4	12.6	.19	16	28	36	48	60	125	2.4	.019	.190
In-State Peers	37.7	13.4	.25	16	28	40	48	60	132	2.0	.051	.151
Top 50%	40.3	13.1	.04	20	32	40	52	60	117	5	.580	042
Top 10%	42.0	13.7	.08	20	32	40	52	60	118	-2.2	.026	163
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
UT Tyler $(N = 108)$	42.7	11.0	1.05	26	36	42	50	60				
UT System	40.8	13.4	.20	16	32	42	50	60	116	1.9	.082	.141
Aspirational Peers	40.7	12.2	.21	18	34	42	50	60	3,559	1.9	.102	.159
In-State Peers	40.0	13.5	.27	14	32	40	50	60	122	2.7	.015	.201
Top 50%	43.9	11.6	.04	22	38	46	52	60	96,427	-1.2	.279	104
Top 10%	45.9	12.1	.08	22	40	48	56	60	21,001	-3.2	.006	264
Supportive Environment												
UT Tyler $(N = 111)$	34.0	12.6	1.20	13	25	35	40	58				
UT System	36.4	14.2	.21	13	25	38	48	60	4,575	-2.3	.085	166
Aspirational Peers	36.0	13.4	.23	14	28	35	45	60	3,580	-2.0	.123	149
In-State Peers	35.5	14.0	.27	13	25	37	45	60	2,716	-1.5	.280	105
Top 50%	37.9	13.2	.04	15	30	40	48	60	126,643	-3.9	.002	297
Top 10%	39.7	13.1	.08	18	30	40	50	60	30,491	-5.6	.000	430

 $a. \ Results \ weighted \ by \ institution-reported \ sex \ and \ enrollment \ status \ (and \ institutional \ size \ for \ comparison \ groups).$

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b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean +/- 1.96 x SEM) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the *t*-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

g. Effect size is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.



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Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mea	n statist	ics		Percei	ntile ^d scc	res			mparison	results	
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
Academic Challenge	Wicum			507	2501	30111	7501	3341	J. 2222		9-	
Higher-Order Learning												
UT Tyler (N = 332)	41.3	14.1	.77	20	30	40	55	60				
UT System	39.7	14.4	.18	15	30	40	50	60	6,485	1.6	.050	.110
Aspirational Peers	39.9	13.4	.20	20	30	40	50	60	5,019	1.4	.073	.102
In-State Peers	39.3	14.0	.22	15	30	40	50	60	4,470	2.0	.013	.142
Top 50%	41.3	13.5	.04	20	35	40	55	60	111,767	.0	.974	002
Top 10%	42.5	13.7	.07	20	35	40	55	60	33,903	-1.2	.126	084
10p 1070	12.5	13.7	.07	20	55	10	55	00	33,703	1.2	.120	.001
Reflective & Integrative Learni	ng											
UT Tyler $(N = 342)$	36.3	12.5	.67	17	29	37	46	60				
UT System	35.9	13.0	.16	14	26	37	46	60	6,879	.4	.536	.034
Aspirational Peers	38.5	12.2	.18	20	30	37	49	60	5,197	-2.2	.001	182
In-State Peers	36.0	12.5	.19	17	26	37	43	60	4,680	.3	.674	.024
Top 50%	39.6	12.2	.04	20	31	40	49	60	109,385	-3.3	.000	268
Top 10%	41.1	12.2	.08	20	33	40	51	60	23,533	-4.8	.000	396
Learning Strategies												
UT Tyler $(N = 317)$	41.5	14.7	.82	20	33	40	53	60				
UT System	38.8	14.7	.19	13	27	40	53	60	6,082	2.7	.001	.186
Aspirational Peers	37.6	14.5	.22	13	27	40	47	60	4,562	3.9	.000	.268
In-State Peers	38.6	14.5	.23	13	27	40	47	60	4,304	3.0	.000	.203
Top 50%	40.2	14.4	.04	20	27	40	53	60	118,233	1.3	.096	.094
Top 10%	42.3	14.2	.08	20	33	40	53	60	31,893	8	.301	058
Quantitative Reasoning												
UT Tyler (N = 322)	28.6	15.9	.88	0	20	27	40	60				
UT System	28.6	16.2	.21	0	20	27	40	60	6,233	.0	1.000	.000
Aspirational Peers	28.0	16.1	.24	0	20	27	40	60	4,906	.6	.551	.034
In-State Peers	28.6	16.0	.25	0	20	27	40	60	4,381	1	.954	003
Top 50%	30.7	16.0	.04	0	20	33	40	60	153,189	-2.1	.019	131
Top 10%	32.7	15.7	.09	7	20	33	40	60	33,676	-4.1	.000	259
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
UT Tyler $(N = 352)$	34.6	14.6	.78	10	25	35	45	60				
UT System	28.7	16.7	.20	0	15	30	40	60	399	5.9	.000	.356
Aspirational Peers	34.2	13.7	.19	15	25	35	45	60	5,347	.4	.566	.032
In-State Peers	32.8	14.8	.22	10	20	35	40	60	4,826	1.8	.030	.120
Top 50%	35.7	13.9	.04	15	25	35	45	60	143,359	-1.1	.144	078
Top 10%	38.1	13.5	.09	15	30	40	50	60	24,214	-3.5	.000	258
Discussions with Diverse Other	rs											
UT Tyler $(N = 322)$	41.0	17.9	1.00	0	30	40	60	60				
UT System	39.4	17.6	.23	5	25	40	60	60	6,138	1.6	.121	.089
Aspirational Peers	41.3	15.3	.23	15	30	40	55	60	357	4	.723	023
In-State Peers	41.4	17.0	.27	10	30	40	60	60	4,325	4	.649	026
Top 50%	41.9	15.6	.04	15	30	40	60	60	322	-1.0	.339	061
Top 10%	43.8	15.5	.08	20	35	45	60	60	325	-2.8	.005	182

Experiences with Faculty



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	Mea	n statist	ics		Perce	ntile ^d sco	ores		Comparison results				
									Deg. of	Mean		Effect	
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. f	size ⁹	
Student-Faculty Interaction													
UT Tyler $(N = 329)$	25.1	15.5	.86	0	15	20	35	55					
UT System	18.9	15.6	.20	0	5	15	30	50	6,657	6.1	.000	.394	
Aspirational Peers	23.6	15.7	.23	0	10	20	35	55	5,071	1.5	.103	.093	
In-State Peers	21.6	15.8	.24	0	10	20	30	55	4,543	3.5	.000	.223	
Top 50%	29.2	15.8	.06	5	20	30	40	60	62,076	-4.1	.000	262	
Top 10%	33.3	16.1	.18	10	20	35	45	60	359	-8.2	.000	509	
Effective Teaching Practices													
UT Tyler $(N = 330)$	40.3	14.5	.80	16	32	40	52	60					
UT System	38.3	14.6	.19	12	28	40	48	60	6,446	2.0	.014	.138	
Aspirational Peers	39.7	13.3	.19	16	32	40	48	60	369	.6	.461	.045	
In-State Peers	38.6	14.2	.22	16	28	40	48	60	4,501	1.7	.035	.120	
Top 50%	41.1	13.6	.04	16	32	40	52	60	96,846	9	.244	064	
Top 10%	43.1	13.7	.10	20	36	44	56	60	20,152	-2.8	.000	206	
Campus Environment													
Quality of Interactions													
UT Tyler $(N = 313)$	43.0	13.1	.74	18	36	45	52	60					
UT System	41.1	13.4	.19	16	33	43	50	60	5,405	1.9	.015	.142	
Aspirational Peers	41.7	11.9	.19	20	34	43	50	60	355	1.3	.081	.11	
In-State Peers	41.0	13.5	.22	16	32	42	52	60	4,046	2.1	.010	.152	
Top 50%	44.4	11.9	.04	22	38	46	54	60	314	-1.4	.066	115	
Top 10%	46.5	12.3	.08	22	40	50	58	60	21,598	-3.5	.000	283	
Supportive Environment													
UT Tyler $(N = 316)$	30.0	14.6	.82	8	20	30	40	55					
UT System	30.2	14.9	.20	6	20	30	40	58	5,894	2	.853	01	
Aspirational Peers	33.2	13.6	.21	10	23	33	43	58	359	-3.2	.000	23	
In-State Peers	32.4	14.5	.23	8	20	33	40	60	4,218	-2.4	.004	168	
Top 50%	34.3	13.7	.04	13	25	35	43	60	317	-4.3	.000	31	
Top 10%	36.4	13.7	.10	13	28	38	45	60	324	-6.3	.000	462	

 $a. \ Results \ weighted \ by \ institution-reported \ sex \ and \ enrollment \ status \ (and \ institutional \ size \ for \ comparison \ groups).$

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b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean \pm 1.96 x SEM) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the *t*-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

g. Effect size is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.