

University of Massachusetts Boston

BCSSE Institutional Report 2010



BCSSE Institutional Report 2010 Introduction

Guide to Your Report

Students enter your campus with a variety of backgrounds and experiences that relate to their academic engagement and success. The purpose of BCSSE is to provide your campus with valuable and timely information that will allow you to positively impact the first-year experiences of your students.

The BCSSE *Institutional Report 2010* contains three sections that highlight important characteristics related to your incoming first-year class. The first section of this report describes the background characteristics of your first-year students who responded to the survey. The second section contains the frequency distributions for all questions on the survey. Overall results for your institution are presented, as well as results by gender and first-generation status. The third section contains the overall institutional means for six BCSSE scales. These scales provide important information regarding high school academic engagement, expected first-year academic engagement, as well as an assessment of expected first-year academic performance. Similar to the frequency distributions, the mean differences are also reported by gender and first-generation status. In total, this report provides your institution with the best estimates of your incoming first-year student academic characteristics.

Student Comparisons

As described above, your BCSSE *Institutional Report 2010* contains results by gender and first-generation status. The results are presented by student subgroup because of the importance to better understand the diversity of student experiences within each campus. With a better understanding of student variation, you may more effectively target important academic resources to the students who are in the most need. Though this report only examines group differences by gender and first-generation status, there are many other important subgroups to consider depending on the unique circumstances of your campus.

BCSSE Reports

Don't forget that this institutional report is one of two reports. BCSSE was designed as a companion to the *National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)*. By participating in NSSE in the spring of 2011, you will also receive a *BCSSE 2010-NSSE 2011 Combined Report* that provides a detailed longitudinal analysis of your first-year students.

Where to Find More Information

To see a sample of the *BCSSE 2010-NSSE 2011 Combined Report*, go to: **bcsse.iub.edu.** More information about NSSE, including this year's regsitration deadline, can be found at **nsse.iub.edu.**



BCSSE 2010 Respondent Characteristics

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	Count	%
Number of Surveys Completed	648	100
Mode of Completion		
Paper	648	100
Web	0	0
When Student Completed BCSSE		
Before attending orientation	3	0
While attending orientation	631	98
After attending orientation	8	1
Not applicable, not attending orientation	1	0
Student Characteristics		
Enrollment Status		
Full-time	614	98
Less than full-time	11	2
Gender		
Female	338	54
Male	288	46
Race/Ethnicity		
American Indian or other Native American	2	0
Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	89	14
Black or African American	61	10
White (non-Hispanic)	329	52
Mexican or Mexican American	5	1
Puerto Rican	10	2
Other Hispanic or Latino	45	7
Multiracial	33	5
Other	30	5
I prefer not to respond	25	4
High School Graduation Year		
2007 or earlier	23	4
2008	11	2
2009	22	3
2010	584	91
First Generation Status ²		
Yes	290	51
No	276	49
International or Foreign National Student		
Yes	35	6
No	585	94

¹ Student reported characteristics for all BCSSE 2010 respondents.

² First generation is defined as no parent or guardian having graduated with a 4-year college degree.



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Frequency Distributions



Variables

The items from the BCSSE survey appear in the left column of the report with the same wording as they appear on the instrument.

codebook. You are taking this survey: tksrvy Before attending orientation While attending orientation After attending orientation N/A, not attending orientation

Scale Name

Indicates which scale includes this item (if applicable).

HSE=High School Academic Engagement

EAE=Expected Academic Engagement

EAP=Expected Academic Perseverance

EAD=Expected Academic Difficulty

PAP=Perceived Academic Preparation

ICE=Importance of Campus Environment

Variable Name

The variable name as it appears in the data file and

Institution-Level

All Students

118

627

38

784

100

Results for each item for the institution overall.

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eration	rst Gen	Fir		Gender Genale Male						
No		Yes		Male		Female				
Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count				
77	10	30	17	50	13	62				
278	85	260	79	232	82	376				
18	5	15	4	12	5	23				
0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
373	100	305	100	294	100	461				

Response Options

Response options presented as they appear on the survey.

Count

The actual number of students who answered within each response category.

Selected Student Comparisons

Results for each item by gender and firstgeneration status.

373

Column Percentage (%)

The percentage of students responding to the particular option in each question.



	beginning colleg					Gend	ler		First Generation ¹					
-	of student engage	gement			All Stude	nts	Fema	ıle	Male	e	Yes		No	
		Variable	Scale	Response Options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
	You are taking this survey:	tksrvy		Before attending orientation	3	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	2	1
				While attending orientation	631	98	331	99	278	97	285	99	268	98
				After attending orientation	8	1	3	1	5	2	3	1	4	1
				N/A, not attending orientation	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
				Total	643	100	335	100	286	100	289	100	274	100
1.	Please write in the year you	hgradyr_r		2007 or earlier	23	4	9	3	14	5	6	2	13	5
	graduated from high school.			2008	11	2	3	1	8	3	5	2	5	2
	(for example, "2010"):			2009	22	3	7	2	15	5	11	4	11	4
				2010	584	91	314	94	248	87	264	92	244	89
		Tot			640	100	333	100	285	100	286	100	273	100
2.	From which type of high					89	303	90	252	88	266	92	233	85
	school did you graduate?			Private, religiously-affiliated		6	22	7	17	6	18	6	20	7
	(Select only one.)			Private, independent	21	3	8	2	12	4	3	1	16	6
				Home school	4	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	2	1
				Other (e.g., GED)	7	1	4	1	3	1	3	1	4	1
				Total	646	100	338	100	286	100	290	100	275	100
3.	What were most of your high	hgrades		C- or lower	3	0	1	0	2	1	2	1	1	0
	school grades?			С	26	4	10	3	14	5	13	5	8	3
	(Select only one.)			C+	37	6	14	4	23	8	14	5	20	7
				B-	61	10	22	7	38	13	23	8	32	12
				В	207	33	99	30	100	35	83	30	89	33
				B+	153	24	97	30	48	17	80	28	57	21
				A-	82	13	50	15	30	11	41	15	34	13
				A	58	9	31	9	26	9	24	9	26	10
				Grades not used	4	1	3	1	1	0	1	0	3	1
				Total	631	100	327	100	282	100	281	100	270	100

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or student enga	igement			All Students		Female		Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale Response Options	_	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
. To date, in which of the following	ng math classes d	id you earn a passing grade?											
a. Algebra II	halg	Did not pass		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Passed		628	98	327	98	281	99	281	98	270	99
		Did not take		9	1	6	2	2	1	6	2	2	1
			Total	638	100	333	100	283	100	287	100	272	100
b. Pre-calculus/Trigonometry	hprecalc	Did not pass		7	1	1	0	6	2	4	1	3	1
		Passed		483	79	256	80	211	<i>79</i>	229	83	186	73
		Did not take		118	19	63	20	50	19	43	16	65	26
			Total	608	100	320	100	267	100	276	100	254	100
c. Calculus	heale	Did not pass		7	1	1	0	5	2	2	1	3	1
		Passed		170	31	86	30	81	34	89	36	62	27
		Did not take		367	67	200	70	154	64	154	63	168	72
			Total	544	100	287	100	240	100	245	100	233	100
d. Probability or Statistics	hstats	Did not pass		9	2	3	1	6	3	2	1	5	2
		Passed		158	30	83	30	68	30	56	24	83	36
		Did not take		354	68	192	69	151	67	171	75	143	62
			Total	521	100	278	100	225	100	229	100	231	100
. During <u>high school</u> , how many y	years of the follow	ving subjects did you complete?											
a. English/Literature	heng	0 years		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
		1 year		1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
		2 years		6	1	3	1	3	1	1	0	3	1
		3 years		4	1	1	0	3	1	1	0	3	1
		4 years		604	95	314	95	268	94	274	96	252	93
		5 or more years		20	3	11	3	9	3	9	3	10	4
			Total	636	100	330	100	284	100	285	100	270	100
b. Math	hmath	0 years		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		1 year		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
		2 years		6	1	2	1	4	1	0	0	5	2
		3 years		61	10	33	10	27	10	23	8	32	12
		4 years		542	85	281	84	241	85	249	87	221	81
		5 or more years		29	5	16	5	12	4	13	5	14	5
		ř	Total	639	100	333	100	284	100	285	100	273	100

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Gender

of student engagement				A 11 C/4 1 4		Gender				I I	isi Gen	zi ation	
or student engage	ciricine		<u> </u>	All Stude	ents	Fema	le	Mal	e	Yes		No	
	Variable		onse Options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
c. Science	hsci	0 years		1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	C
		1 year		2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2	I
		2 years		16	3	8	2	7	2	7	2	5	2
		3 years		137	22	77	23	57	20	62	22	62	23
		4 years		439	69	220	66	204	72	198	70	184	68
		5 or more year	S	41	6	26	8	12	4	17	6	17	(
			Total	636	100	332	100	282	100	284	100	271	100
d. History/Social Sciences	hhist	0 years		1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	(
		1 year		3	0	1	0	2	1	0	0	2	
		2 years		27	4	12	4	14	5	9	3	11	4
		3 years		191	30	106	32	74	26	100	35	66	2.
		4 years		392	62	199	60	183	65	168	59	179	6
		5 or more year	s	21	3	12	4	9	3	8	3	11	4
			Total	635	100	330	100	283	100	285	100	269	10
e. Foreign Language	hforlan	0 years		24	4	7	2	17	6	11	4	7	
		1 year		21	3	10	3	11	4	13	5	2	
		2 years		138	22	75	23	61	22	69	24	58	2.
		3 years		242	38	126	38	104	37	110	39	102	38
		4 years		192	30	103	31	81	29	77	27	89	3.
		5 or more year	S	18	3	12	4	6	2	4	1	13	
			Total	635	100	333	100	280	100	284	100	271	10
5. During <u>high school</u> , how many of the	he following t	vnes of classes did you comp	lete?										
a. Advanced Placement (AP)	hapcl	0 classes		289	48	148	48	134	49	134	50	121	4
classes	•	1 class		142	24	68	22	67	25	65	24	57	2
		2 classes		84	14	46	15	37	14	33	12	40	10
		3 classes		39	7	17	6	20	7	18	7	17	
		4 classes		22	4	16	5	5	2	7	3	13	
		5 or more class	ses	22	4	12	4	8	3	11	4	8	
			Total	598	100	307	100	271	100	268	100	256	100
b. Honors classes (not AP) taught	hhonor	0 classes		104	17	46	14	54	20	51	18	39	1.
at your high school		1 class		58	9	32	10	25	9	19	7	25	
		2 classes		84	13	41	12	42	15	30	11	46	1
		3 classes		84	13	43	13	36	13	42	15	26	10
		4 classes		49	8	30	9	18	7	25	9	21	-
		5 or more class	ses	247	39	137	42	100	36	114	41	108	4.
		of more class	Total	626	100	329	100	275	100	281	100	265	100
			1 otal	020	100	327	100	213	100		100		10

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of student engagement							Gender				Fi	rst Gen	eration ¹	
Or student engag	gernerit				All Stude	nts	Fema	le	Male	e	Yes	1	No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
c. College courses for credit	hcoll		0 classes		418	74	215	74	190	75	193	<i>78</i>	174	72
			1 class		42	7	19	7	23	9	21	8	19	8
			2 classes		19	3	8	3	11	4	4	2	10	4
			3 classes		13	2	7	2	5	2	4	2	6	2
			4 classes		17	3	9	3	7	3	5	2	9	4
			5 or more classes		54	10	31	11	19	7	22	9	24	10
				Total	563	100	289	100	255	100	249	100	242	100
7. During your <u>last year of high scho</u>	ol, about how m	uch readin	g and writing did you do?											
a. Assigned reading (textbooks or	hreadasg	HSE	None		9	1	5	1	3	1	3	1	3	1
other course materials)			Very little		36	6	13	4	21	7	11	4	20	7
			Some		153	24	70	21	78	27	69	24	64	23
			Quite a bit		258	40	130	39	120	42	127	44	99	36
			Very much		186	29	119	35	62	22	78	27	88	32
				Total	642	100	337	100	284	100	288	100	274	100
b. Books read on your own (not	hreadown		None		76	12	31	9	42	15	30	10	35	13
assigned) for personal			Very little		174	27	78	23	87	30	81	28	67	24
enjoyment or academic			Some		180	28	98	29	78	27	90	31	70	25
enrichment			Quite a bit		112	17	63	19	49	17	53	18	47	17
			Very much		103	16	68	20	30	10	35	12	57	21
				Total	645	100	338	100	286	100	289	100	276	100
c. Writing short papers or reports	hwrite5	HSE	None		3	0	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
(5 or fewer pages)			Very little		21	3	9	3	12	4	11	4	6	2
			Some		131	20	69	20	57	20	47	16	63	23
			Quite a bit		231	36	106	31	122	43	114	39	92	34
			Very much		256	40	152	45	92	33	116	40	112	41
				Total	642	100	338	100	283	100	289	100	274	100
d. Writing longer papers or	hwrite5m	HSE	None		38	6	18	5	18	6	13	5	16	6
reports (more than 5 pages)			Very little		146	23	74	22	70	25	68	24	56	21
			Some		215	34	109	33	95	34	97	34	91	33
			Quite a bit		151	24	77	23	71	25	75	26	68	25
			Very much		89	14	57	17	29	10	34	12	42	15
				Total	639	100	335	100	283	100	287	100	273	100

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Gender

of student engage	rement						Gene	ICI		1.11	ist Gen	ciation	
or student engag	ciriciic		_	All Stude	ents	Fema	le	Mal	e	Yes	·	No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
8. During your <u>last year of high scho</u>	ol, about how r	nany <u>hours</u>	did you spend in a typical 7-day week	doing each o	of the foll	owing?							
a. Preparing for class (studying,	hacadpr	HSE	0 hours per week	15	2	5	1	9	3	5	2	6	2
doing homework, rehearsing,			1-5 hours per week	259	41	139	41	111	39	114	40	107	39
etc.)			6-10 hours per week	173	27	83	25	84	30	86	30	70	26
			11-15 hours per week	95	15	51	15	41	15	45	16	41	15
			16-20 hours per week	52	8	32	9	19	7	22	8	23	8
			21-25 hours per week	25	4	10	3	15	5	8	3	16	6
			26-30 hours per week	12	2	11	3	1	0	5	2	6	2
			More than 30 hours per week	8	1	6	2	2	1	2	1	5	2
			Total	639	100	337	100	282	100	287	100	274	100
b. Working for pay (before or	hwork		0 hours per week	209	33	101	30	103	36	96	33	84	31
after school, weekends)			1-5 hours per week	41	6	19	6	21	7	18	6	20	7
			6-10 hours per week	62	10	32	9	28	10	23	8	34	12
			11-15 hours per week	97	15	57	17	37	13	53	18	34	12
			16-20 hours per week	88	14	51	15	33	12	38	13	35	13
			21-25 hours per week	69	11	40	12	26	9	29	10	36	13
			26-30 hours per week	40	6	22	7	17	6	17	6	17	6
			More than 30 hours per week	35	5	16	5	18	6	14	5	14	5
			Total	641	100	338	100	283	100	288	100	274	100
c. Participating in co-curricular	hcocurr		0 hours per week	114	18	64	19	47	17	55	19	41	15
activities (arts, clubs, athletics,			1-5 hours per week	173	27	101	30	66	23	77	27	72	26
etc.)			6-10 hours per week	101	16	48	14	52	18	52	18	38	14
			11-15 hours per week	105	16	51	15	50	18	37	13	55	20
			16-20 hours per week	70	11	35	10	33	12	32	11	34	12
			21-25 hours per week	26	4	9	3	17	6	13	5	10	4
			26-30 hours per week	14	2	8	2	6	2	6	2	8	3
			More than 30 hours per week	36	6	20	6	13	5	14	5	16	6
			Total	639	100	336	100	284	100	286	100	274	100
d. Relaxing and socializing	hsocial		0 hours per week	3	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	1	0
(watching TV, partying, etc.)			1-5 hours per week	79	12	47	14	29	10	31	11	36	13
			6-10 hours per week	134	21	87	26	42	15	69	24	45	16
			11-15 hours per week	142	22	67	20	73	26	68	24	61	22
			16-20 hours per week	96	15	49	15	46	16	36	13	51	19
			21-25 hours per week	54	8	28	8	24	8	32	11	19	7
			26-30 hours per week	32	5	15	4	16	6	10	3	20	7
			More than 30 hours per week	99	15	41	12	52	18	39	14	41	15
			Total	639	100	335	100	284	100	286	100	274	100

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of student engage	ement				All Stude	ents	Fema	ıle	Mal	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
9. During your <u>last year of high school</u>	ol, about how	often did you	u do each of the following?											
a. Asked questions in class or	hclquest	HSE	Never		12	2	4	1	8	3	3	1	6	2
contributed to class discussions			Sometimes		173	27	87	26	82	29	74	26	76	28
			Often		250	39	136	40	104	36	126	44	96	35
			Very often		205	32	109	32	91	32	86	30	96	35
				Total	640	100	336	100	285	100	289	100	274	100
b. Made a class presentation	hclprese	HSE	Never		11	2	6	2	4	1	4	1	4	1
			Sometimes		291	46	154	46	130	46	134	46	126	46
			Often		247	39	120	36	118	42	112	39	104	38
			Very often		90	14	56	17	32	11	39	13	40	15
				Total	639	100	336	100	284	100	289	100	274	100
c. Came to class without	hclunpre		Never		201	31	115	34	81	28	101	35	78	28
completing readings or			Sometimes		368	58	194	58	163	57	162	56	161	59
assignments			Often		48	8	22	7	24	8	15	5	27	10
			Very often		22	3	4	1	17	6	11	4	8	3
				Total	639	100	335	100	285	100	289	100	274	100
d. Discussed grades or	hfacgrad	HSE	Never		30	5	16	5	14	5	10	3	15	6
assignments with a teacher			Sometimes		259	41	132	39	120	43	116	40	110	40
			Often		232	37	116	35	107	38	111	39	94	35
			Very often		114	18	72	21	40	14	50	17	53	19
				Total	635	100	336	100	281	100	287	100	272	100
e. Worked with other students	hclassgr	HSE	Never		11	2	6	2	5	2	3	1	6	2
on projects during class			Sometimes		196	31	100	30	87	31	87	30	83	31
			Often		302	48	157	47	140	49	141	49	130	48
			Very often		126	20	70	21	52	18	57	20	53	19
				Total	635	100	333	100	284	100	288	100	272	100
f. Worked with classmates	hoccgrp	HSE	Never		112	18	54	16	56	20	51	18	43	16
outside of class to prepare			Sometimes		323	51	169	50	142	50	156	54	135	50
class assignments			Often		149	23	82	24	65	23	63	22	68	25
			Very often		53	8	30	9	21	7	19	7	26	10
				Total	637	100	335	100	284	100	289	100	272	100

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BCSSE beginning college survey

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beginning college survey of student engagement				Gender						First Generation ¹				
or student engag	ement				All Stude	ents	Fema	ale	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
g. Prepared two or more drafts of	hrewropa	HSE	Never		100	16	51	15	47	17	44	15	39	14
a paper or assignment before			Sometimes		260	41	130	39	121	43	117	40	112	41
turning it in			Often		168	26	90	27	74	26	79	27	71	26
			Very often		107	17	64	19	41	14	49	17	49	18
				Total	635	100	335	100	283	100	289	100	271	100
h. Had serious conversations with	hdivrstu		Never		66	10	42	13	22	8	28	10	28	10
students of a different race or			Sometimes		175	28	104	31	68	24	83	29	68	25
ehtnicity than your own			Often		168	26	77	23	83	30	71	25	73	27
			Very often		225	35	113	34	108	38	106	37	103	38
				Total	634	100	336	100	281	100	288	100	272	100
i. Discussed ideas from your	hfacidea	HSE	Never		138	22	70	21	63	23	60	21	64	24
readings or classes with			Sometimes		276	44	149	45	120	43	125	44	117	43
teachers outside of class			Often		138	22	75	23	60	21	66	23	56	21
			Very often		77	12	39	12	37	13	35	12	33	12
				Total	629	100	333	100	280	100	286	100	270	100
j. Discussed ideas from your	hoocidea	HSE	Never		86	14	43	13	42	15	42	15	28	10
readings or classes with others			Sometimes		283	45	141	42	133	48	126	44	127	47
outside of class (students,			Often		177	28	104	31	69	25	79	28	78	29
family members, etc.)			Very often		84	13	45	14	36	13	39	14	38	14
				Total	630	100	333	100	280	100	286	100	271	100
k. Talked with a counselor,	hfacplan		Never		26	4	12	4	14	5	7	2	17	6
teacher, or other staff member			Sometimes		188	30	90	27	92	33	74	26	88	32
about college or career plans			Often		229	36	116	35	106	38	103	36	102	38
			Very often		190	30	116	35	70	25	104	36	64	24
				Total	633	100	334	100	282	100	288	100	271	100
1. Had serious conversations with	hdiffstu		Never		73	12	41	12	30	11	30	10	31	11
students who are very different			Sometimes		192	30	109	33	77	28	97	34	76	28
from you in terms of their			Often		179	28	89	27	87	31	78	27	83	30
religious beliefs, political			Very often		187	30	95	28	86	31	81	28	83	30
opinions, or personal values				Total	631	100	334	100	280	100	286	100	273	100
m. Missed a day of school	hmisssch		Never		94	15	43	13	47	17	43	15	35	13
			Sometimes		405	65	223	67	172	62	174	61	190	70
			Often		59	9	31	9	26	9	32	11	23	8
			Very often		67	11	34	10	32	12	34	12	23	8
				Total	625	100	331	100	277	100	283	100	271	100

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— Of student engag	gement			All Stude	ents	Fema	le	Male	e	Yes		No	r
	Variable	Scale Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	9
0. Did you take the SAT and/or	hsatact	No		8	1	4	1	4	1	1	0	5	2
ACT?		Yes		624	99	329	99	279	99	286	100	264	9
			Total	632	100	333	100	283	100	287	100	269	100
a. SAT Composite Score	SAT_ACTr	900 or lower		53	12	28	13	22	10	30	15	14	2
(SAT/ACT scores convertd to		901 - 1000		111	25	63	29	42	19	50	25	42	2
SAT scale and recoded into		1001 - 1100		113	25	54	25	57	26	55	27	52	20
categories)		1101 - 1200		96	21	41	19	54	25	47	23	40	20
		1201 - 1300		51	11	26	12	24	11	15	7	34	1
		1301 - 1400		15	3	5	2	10	5	2	1	12	(
		1401 - 1600		10	2	3	1	7	3	5	2	4	
			Total	449	100	220	100	216	100	204	100	198	100
1. During your high school years, h	now involved wer	e you in the following activities at you	r school o	elsewhere?									
a. Performing or visual arts	hinvarts	1 Not involved		356	56	174	52	174	61	173	60	134	4
programs (band, chorus,		2		68	11	38	11	30	11	35	12	26	1
theater, art, etc.)		3		59	9	27	8	29	10	29	10	26	10
		4		48	8	33	10	13	5	16	6	29	1.
		5		15	2	7	2	8	3	5	2	8	
		6 Highly involved		87	14	56	17	30	11	30	10	49	10
			Total	633	100	335	100	284	100	288	100	272	100
b. Athletic teams (varsity, junior	hinvathl	1 Not involved		237	38	140	42	93	33	106	37	89	3.
varsity, club sport, etc.)		2		67	11	41	12	23	8	27	9	32	12
		3		63	10	36	11	27	10	31	11	29	1.
		4		65	10	35	10	27	10	27	9	36	1.
		5		33	5	14	4	18	6	10	4	16	(
		6 Highly involved		166	26	69	21	93	33	84	29	69	2.
			Total	631	100	335	100	281	100	285	100	271	100
c. Student government	hstugov	1 Not involved		465	73	242	72	211	75	211	73	196	72
		2		64	10	33	10	29	10	30	10	30	1.
		3		33	5	18	5	15	5	19	7	10	4
		4		26	4	14	4	12	4	10	3	12	4
		5		16	3	8	2	7	2	7	2	7	j
		6 Highly involved		29	5	21	6	8	3	11	4	16	(
		<i>.</i>	Total	633	100	336	100	282	100	288	100	271	100

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	Variable	Scale Response Option	ons	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
d. Publications (student	hinvpubs	1 Not involved		450	71	222	66	216	77	211	74	185	68
newspaper, yearbook, etc.)		2		64	10	37	11	27	10	30	10	26	10
		3		43	7	26	8	17	6	15	5	24	9
		4		29	5	19	6	9	3	11	4	14	5
		5		13	2	8	2	5	2	6	2	7	3
		6 Highly involved		32	5	23	7	7	2	14	5	15	6
			Total	631	100	335	100	281	100	287	100	271	100
e. Academic honor societies	hinvhono	1 Not involved		436	69	219	65	207	73	200	69	180	67
		2		42	7	21	6	21	7	19	7	21	8
		3		46	7	24	7	21	7	23	8	16	6
		4		36	6	19	6	16	6	12	4	23	9
		5		22	3	17	5	5	2	10	3	11	4
		6 Highly involved		50	8	35	10	12	4	24	8	19	7
			Total	632	100	335	100	282	100	288	100	270	100
f. Academic clubs (debate,	hinvaccl	1 Not involved		417	67	224	68	182	65	190	67	177	66
mathematics, science, etc.)		2		67	11	32	10	34	12	31	11	34	13
		3		56	9	31	9	24	9	27	10	20	7
		4		38	6	17	5	19	7	13	5	19	7
		5		17	3	8	2	9	3	8	3	8	3
		6 Highly involved		31	5	17	5	14	5	15	5	11	4
			Total	626	100	329	100	282	100	284	100	269	100
g. Vocational clubs (business,	hinvvccl	1 Not involved		477	76	258	78	206	73	206	72	212	78
health, technology, etc.)		2		41	7	21	6	19	7	23	8	14	5
		3		34	5	16	5	18	6	18	6	14	5
		4		29	5	11	3	18	6	11	4	14	5
		5		12	2	8	2	3	1	7	2	4	1
		6 Highly involved		36	6	18	5	18	6	20	7	13	5
			Total	629	100	332	100	282	100	285	100	271	100
h. Religious youth groups	hrelgrp	1 Not involved		493	78	265	80	220	77	235	82	204	76
		2		30	5	14	4	15	5	11	4	15	6
		3		31	5	13	4	18	6	11	4	15	6
		4		32	5	12	4	18	6	10	3	19	7
		5		8	1	5	2	3	1	2	1	4	1
		6 Highly involved		36	6	23	7	10	4	17	6	13	5
		2 ,	Total	630	100	332	100	284	100	286	100	270	100
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— Of student engage	ement			All Stude	nts	Fema	ale	Mal	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	9
i. Community service or	hvolntr	1 Not involved		119	19	45	13	71	25	47	16	48	18
volunteer work		2		72	11	32	10	37	13	36	13	32	12
		3		135	21	73	22	62	22	59	20	61	23
		4		122	19	57	17	63	22	59	20	51	19
		5		54	9	38	11	14	5	23	8	24	9
		6 Highly involved		131	21	90	27	37	13	64	22	55	20
			Total	633	100	335	100	284	100	288	100	271	100
12. Overall, how academically	hacachal	1 Not at all challenging		12	2	5	2	7	2	6	2	3	1
challenging was your high		2		67	11	32	10	34	12	32	11	27	10
school?		3		140	22	75	23	58	20	69	24	45	17
		4		248	39	119	36	122	43	113	40	107	40
		5		120	19	72	22	46	16	50	17	62	23
		6 Extremely challenging		45	7	29	9	16	6	16	6	26	10
			Total	632	100	332	100	283	100	286	100	270	100
3. During the coming school year, at	out how many	hours do you think you will spend in a t	vpical 7-	day week do	ing each	of the followi	ng?						
a. Preparing for class (studying,	cacadpr	EAE 0 hours per week	- I	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	C
reading, writing, doing		1-5 hours per week		20	3	9	3	11	4	4	1	15	6
homework or lab work,		6-10 hours per week		84	13	46	14	36	13	34	12	34	13
analyzing data, rehearsing, and		11-15 hours per week		156	25	81	24	72	25	77	27	63	23
other academic activities)		16-20 hours per week		167	27	75	23	84	30	82	29	65	24
		21-25 hours per week		106	17	63	19	41	14	48	17	48	18
		26-30 hours per week		53	8	34	10	19	7	22	8	28	10
		More than 30 hours per we	ek	41	7	22	7	19	7	18	6	18	7
			Total	629	100	331	100	283	100	286	100	271	100
b. Working for pay on- or off-	cwork	0 hours per week		40	6	18	6	22	8	12	4	25	9
campus		1-5 hours per week		44	7	19	6	23	8	20	7	17	6
		6-10 hours per week		113	18	65	20	47	17	51	18	51	19
		11-15 hours per week		144	23	74	23	65	23	69	24	58	22
		16-20 hours per week		146	24	79	24	61	22	65	23	60	23
		21-25 hours per week		71	11	40	12	31	11	37	13	29	11
		26-30 hours per week		39	6	18	6	20	7	18	6	18	7
		More than 30 hours per we	ek	23	4	11	3	12	4	10	4	8	3
		por me	Total	620	100	324	100	281	100	282	100	266	100

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or student engage	cificite			All Stude	ents	Fema	le	Mal	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
c. Participating in co-curricular	ccocurr		0 hours per week	36	6	21	6	15	5	14	5	18	7
activities (organizations,			1-5 hours per week	169	27	100	30	66	23	78	27	74	27
campus publications, student			6-10 hours per week	201	32	111	33	87	31	103	36	79	29
government, fraternity or			11-15 hours per week	109	17	52	16	53	19	46	16	44	16
sorority, intercollegiate or			16-20 hours per week	66	10	29	9	34	12	26	9	33	12
intramural sports, etc.)			21-25 hours per week	23	4	6	2	15	5	11	4	9	3
			26-30 hours per week	13	2	8	2	5	2	5	2	7	3
			More than 30 hours per week	14	2	7	2	7	2	5	2	7	3
			Tota	631	100	334	100	282	100	288	100	271	100
d. Relaxing and socializing	csocial		0 hours per week	9	1	2	1	7	2	4	1	1	0
(watching TV, partying, etc.)			1-5 hours per week	127	20	82	25	41	15	61	21	47	17
			6-10 hours per week	168	27	95	29	68	24	82	29	68	25
			11-15 hours per week	124	20	59	18	64	23	59	21	52	19
			16-20 hours per week	111	18	52	16	57	20	45	16	60	22
			21-25 hours per week	30	5	14	4	15	5	14	5	15	6
			26-30 hours per week	23	4	12	4	10	4	6	2	15	6
			More than 30 hours per week	34	5	14	4	19	7	14	5	12	4
			Tota	626	100	330	100	281	100	285	100	270	100
14. During the coming school year, at	out how often	do you exp	ect to do each of the following?										
a. Ask questions in class or	cclquest	EAE	Never	5	1	5	1	0	0	2	1	2	1
contribute to class discussions			Sometimes	96	15	48	14	48	17	39	14	45	17
			Often	297	47	157	47	134	48	148	52	124	46
			Very often	230	37	125	37	98	35	98	34	99	37
			Total		100	335	100	280	100	287	100	270	100
b. Make a class presentation	cclprese	EAE	Never	6	1	4	1	2	1	3	1	2	1
•	•		Sometimes	199	32	101	30	96	34	96	34	77	28
			Often	300	48	165	50	127	45	125	44	147	54
			Very often	123	20	63	19	57	20	62	22	45	17
			Tota		100	333	100	282	100	286	100	271	100
c. Work on a paper or project that	cintegra		Never	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
requires integrating ideas or	C		Sometimes	63	10	20	6	42	15	23	8	27	10
information from various			Often	290	46	153	46	134	48	127	44	132	49
sources			Very often	274	44	161	48	104	37	135	47	111	41
			Tota		100	335	100	280	100	286	100	270	100
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	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
d. Work with other students on	cclassgr	EAE	Never		21	3	15	5	6	2	11	4	9	3
projects during class			Sometimes		186	30	87	26	94	33	79	28	80	29
			Often		269	43	143	43	121	43	119	42	128	47
			Very often		153	24	88	26	62	22	77	27	55	20
				Total	629	100	333	100	283	100	286	100	272	100
e. Work with classmates outside	coccgrp	EAE	Never		13	2	6	2	7	2	6	2	2	1
of class to prepare class			Sometimes		166	26	74	22	88	31	67	23	79	29
assignments			Often		276	44	154	46	118	42	129	45	123	46
			Very often		174	28	101	30	68	24	85	30	66	24
				Total	629	100	335	100	281	100	287	100	270	100
f. Put together ideas or concepts	cintidea		Never		5	1	3	1	2	1	0	0	3	1
from different courses when			Sometimes		112	18	49	15	60	21	45	16	45	17
completing assignments or			Often		298	47	156	47	137	48	138	48	140	51
during class discussions			Very often		216	34	127	38	84	30	104	36	84	31
				Total	631	100	335	100	283	100	287	100	272	100
g. Discuss grades or assignments	cfacgrad	EAE	Never		7	1	1	0	6	2	2	1	5	2
with an instructor			Sometimes		137	22	62	19	73	26	57	20	62	23
			Often		273	43	147	44	121	43	129	45	115	42
			Very often		213	34	124	37	83	29	99	34	90	33
				Total	630	100	334	100	283	100	287	100	272	100
h. Discuss ideas from your	cfacidea	EAE	Never		17	3	8	2	9	3	8	3	7	3
readings or classes with faculty			Sometimes		235	37	122	37	111	39	107	37	100	37
members outside of class			Often		247	39	121	36	118	42	108	38	111	41
			Very often		131	21	83	25	45	16	64	22	54	20
				Total	630	100	334	100	283	100	287	100	272	100
i. Receive prompt feedback from	cfacfeed		Never		9	1	3	1	6	2	5	2	3	1
faculty on your academic			Sometimes		159	25	82	24	74	26	72	25	69	25
performance (written or oral)			Often		283	45	147	44	129	46	128	45	126	46
			Very often		177	28	103	31	71	25	81	28	73	27
			•	Total	628	100	335	100	280	100	286	100	271	100
j. Work with faculty members on	cfacothe		Never		29	5	15	4	14	5	13	5	10	4
activities other than			Sometimes		256	41	125	37	128	46	117	41	114	42
coursework (committees,			Often		218	35	120	36	91	32	100	35	91	34
orientation, student life			Very often		125	20	74	22	48	17	56	20	56	21
activities, etc.)			- J	Total	628	100	334	100	281	100	286	100	271	100
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of student engage	ement				All Stude	ents	Fema	ıle	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
k. Discuss ideas from your	coocidea	EAE	Never		20	3	10	3	10	4	11	4	5	2
readings or classes with others			Sometimes		220	35	102	31	112	40	99	34	96	36
outside of class (students,			Often		241	39	139	42	98	35	114	40	101	38
family members, co-workers,			Very often		143	23	80	24	60	21	63	22	66	25
etc.)				Total	624	100	331	100	280	100	287	100	268	100
1. Have serious conversations	cdivrstu		Never		16	3	7	2	9	3	7	2	5	2
with students of a different race			Sometimes		118	19	52	16	62	22	51	18	47	18
or ethnicity than your own			Often		256	41	138	42	115	41	116	40	111	42
			Very often		235	38	134	40	95	34	113	39	104	39
				Total	625	100	331	100	281	100	287	100	267	100
m. Try to better understand	cothrvie		Never		3	0	1	0	2	1	2	1	1	0
someone else's views by			Sometimes		97	15	44	13	49	17	39	14	44	16
imagining how an issue looks			Often		262	42	132	39	127	45	121	42	104	38
from his or her perspective			Very often		265	42	158	47	103	37	124	43	122	45
				Total	627	100	335	100	281	100	286	100	271	100
n. Learn something that changes	cchngvie		Never		2	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	1	0
the way you understand an			Sometimes		95	15	39	12	53	19	38	13	39	15
issue or idea			Often		254	41	134	40	116	41	117	41	106	40
			Very often		274	44	160	48	109	39	131	46	121	45
				Total	625	100	333	100	280	100	287	100	267	100
o. Have serious conversations	cdiffstu		Never		14	2	7	2	7	3	3	1	6	2
with students who are very			Sometimes		129	21	55	16	70	25	54	19	56	21
different from you in terms of			Often		246	39	134	40	110	39	127	44	98	36
their religious beliefs, political			Very often		237	38	138	41	93	33	103	36	110	41
opinions, or personal values			•	Total	626	100	334	100	280	100	287	100	270	100
15. During the coming school year, he	ow certain are	you that you	will do the following?				-							
a. Study when there are other	cotherint	EAP	1 Not at all certain		8	1	3	1	5	2	4	1	4	1
interesting things to do			2		52	8	27	8	25	9	19	7	24	9
			3		127	20	71	21	55	20	52	18	57	21
			4		209	33	106	32	97	34	97	34	89	33
			5		148	24	80	24	64	23	74	26	60	22
			6 Very certain		83	13	46	14	36	13	39	14	37	14
				Total	627	100	333	100	282	100	285	100	271	100

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of student engage	ement				All Stude	nts	Femal	le	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options	-	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
b. Find additional information for	cfindinfo	EAP	1 Not at all certain		4	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	1
course assignments when you			2		20	3	10	3	10	4	6	2	12	4
don't understand the material			3		87	14	38	12	46	16	31	11	40	15
			4		151	24	77	23	72	25	73	26	59	22
			5		197	32	101	31	91	32	87	30	90	34
			6 Very certain		166	27	102	31	62	22	87	30	65	24
				Total	625	100	330	100	283	100	286	100	268	100
c. Participate regularly in course	ccourdis	EAP	1 Not at all certain		10	2	5	2	5	2	2	1	8	3
discussions, even when you			2		30	5	13	4	16	6	12	4	12	4
don't feel like it			3		157	25	83	25	71	25	76	27	60	22
			4		182	29	86	26	94	33	87	31	77	29
			5		142	23	78	24	60	21	63	22	66	24
			6 Very certain		103	17	65	20	36	13	44	15	47	17
				Total	624	100	330	100	282	100	284	100	270	100
d. Ask instructors for help when	caskinst	EAP	1 Not at all certain		4	1	1	0	3	1	1	0	3	1
you struggle with course			2		13	2	8	2	5	2	4	1	8	3
assignments			3		78	13	35	11	43	15	33	12	34	13
			4		122	20	56	17	62	22	60	21	47	17
			5		153	25	74	22	75	27	65	23	78	29
			6 Very certain		252	41	156	47	92	33	121	43	99	37
<u> </u>				Total	622	100	330	100	280	100	284	100	269	100
e. Finish something you have	cfinish	EAP	1 Not at all certain		3	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	2	1
started when you encounter			2		10	2	8	2	2	1	5	2	5	2
challenges			3		72	12	33	10	38	13	28	10	31	11
			4		135	22	63	19	72	25	65	23	53	20
			5		207	33	111	34	89	31	91	32	96	35
			6 Very certain		198	32	115	35	79	28	95	33	84	31
				Total	625	100	330	100	283	100	284	100	271	100
f. Stay positive, even when you	cstaypos	EAP	1 Not at all certain		10	2	4	1	6	2	3	1	5	2
do poorly on a test or			2		25	4	19	6	6	2	12	4	9	3
assignment			3		94	15	49	15	43	15	36	13	45	17
			4		159	25	80	24	76	27	75	27	72	27
			5		161	26	85	26	70	25	62	22	77	29
			6 Very certain		175	28	92	28	82	29	95	34	62	23
				Total	624	100	329	100	283	100	283	100	270	100

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— Or student engag	sement			_	All Stude	ents	Fema	le	Mal	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
16. During the coming school year, l	how difficult do	you expect												
a. Learning course material	clearnma	EAD	1 Not at all difficult		21	3	6	2	15	5	7	2	11	4
			2		49	8	27	8	22	8	18	6	24	9
			3		161	26	84	25	73	26	64	23	72	27
			4		238	38	121	36	113	40	114	40	102	38
			5		113	18	68	20	41	15	59	21	42	15
			6 Very difficult		44	7	26	8	18	6	21	7	20	7
				Total	626	100	332	100	282	100	283	100	271	100
b. Managing your time	cmantime	EAD	1 Not at all difficult		15	2	7	2	8	3	7	2	5	2
			2		49	8	29	9	20	7	28	10	17	6
			3		93	15	53	16	38	13	32	11	45	17
			4		149	24	58	17	89	31	58	20	72	26
			5		155	25	93	28	58	20	87	30	56	21
			6 Very difficult		168	27	94	28	70	25	74	26	77	28
				Total	629	100	334	100	283	100	286	100	272	100
c. Paying college expenses	cpaycoll		1 Not at all difficult		49	8	27	8	22	8	14	5	29	11
			2		55	9	22	7	31	11	24	8	28	10
			3		113	18	55	17	56	20	49	17	47	17
			4		126	20	67	20	56	20	50	18	57	21
			5		134	21	74	22	58	20	74	26	48	18
			6 Very difficult		150	24	87	26	60	21	73	26	62	23
				Total	627	100	332	100	283	100	284	100	271	100
d. Getting help with school work	cgethelp	EAD	1 Not at all difficult		67	11	41	12	25	9	32	11	28	10
			2		146	23	65	20	78	28	74	26	57	21
			3		209	33	120	36	85	30	80	28	98	36
			4		147	23	73	22	71	25	68	24	65	24
			5		43	7	27	8	15	5	25	9	15	6
			6 Very difficult		16	3	7	2	9	3	6	2	9	3
				Total	628	100	333	100	283	100	285	100	272	100
e. Making new friends	cmakefr		1 Not at all difficult		178	28	86	26	89	31	83	29	75	28
			2		152	24	83	25	65	23	78	27	62	23
			3		124	20	71	21	51	18	58	20	48	18
			4		100	16	51	15	47	17	37	13	50	18
			5		43	7	25	8	18	6	16	6	23	8
			6 Very difficult		31	5	17	5	14	5	12	4	14	5
			-	Total	628	100	333	100	284	100	284	100	272	100

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3 122 20 69 21 50 18 41 14 64
4 180 29 93 28 83 29 86 30 81
5 137 22 67 20 69 24 72 25 44
6 Very prepared 101 16 49 15 52 18 50 18 42
Total 625 100 329 100 284 100 285 100 271

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or student engag	gerrient				All Stude	nts	Femal	le	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
e. Use computing and	cgncompt	PAP	1 Not at all prepared		7	1	4	1	3	1	4	1	2	1
information technology			2		30	5	21	6	7	2	12	4	13	5
			3		123	20	66	20	54	19	52	18	54	20
			4		182	29	103	31	76	27	89	31	76	28
			5		159	25	73	22	83	29	82	29	60	22
			6 Very prepared		126	20	64	19	61	21	46	16	67	25
				Total	627	100	331	100	284	100	285	100	272	100
f. Work effectively with others	cgnother	PAP	1 Not at all prepared		5	1	2	1	3	1	2	1	2	Ì
			2		11	2	1	0	10	4	4	1	6	2
			3		44	7	19	6	23	8	18	6	16	(
			4		154	25	72	22	78	28	71	25	62	23
			5		198	32	116	35	80	28	91	32	90	33
			6 Very prepared		214	34	121	37	89	31	99	35	95	35
				Total	626	100	331	100	283	100	285	100	271	100
g. Learn effectively on your own	cgninq	PAP	1 Not at all prepared		6	1	2	1	3	1	2	1	2	i
			2		18	3	6	2	12	4	7	2	10	4
			3		61	10	31	9	29	10	20	7	25	g
			4		151	24	80	24	67	24	69	24	64	24
			5		189	30	104	31	81	29	91	32	82	30
			6 Very prepared		200	32	108	33	90	32	95	33	89	33
				Total	625	100	331	100	282	100	284	100	272	100
B. How important is it to you that y	our college or u	niversity pr	ovides each of the following	ıg?							-			
a. A challenging academic	cenvscho	ICE	1 Not important	<u>U</u>	7	1	3	1	4	1	1	0	4	i
experience			2		14	2	8	2	6	2	1	0	9	3
			3		101	16	51	15	48	17	44	15	43	16
			4		203	32	107	32	93	33	98	34	83	30
			5		154	25	73	22	78	27	67	24	69	23
			6 Very important		148	24	89	27	56	20	74	26	65	24
			o , ory important	Total	627	100	331	100	285	100	285	100	273	100
Support to help you succeed	cenvsupr	ICE	1 Not important	1000	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	(
academically	· F		2		6	1	1	0	5	2	0	0	5	2
,			3		33	5	15	5	17	6	10	4	19	2
			4		115	18	48	15	66	23	49	17	49	18
			5		149	24	75	23	72	25	58	20	74	27
			6 Very important		320	51	192	58	122	43	167	59	126	40
			o very important	Total	624	100	331	100	283	43 100	284	100	273	100
				1 Otal	024	100	331	100	200	100	204	100		100

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or student engag	gerrierit				All Stude	nts	Fema	le	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
c. Opportunities to interact with	cenvdivr	ICE	1 Not important		12	2	4	1	7	2	4	1	5	2
students from different			2		22	4	8	2	14	5	7	2	11	4
economic, social, and racial or			3		85	14	35	11	49	17	28	10	46	17
ethnic backgrounds			4		138	22	70	21	65	23	62	22	56	21
			5		154	25	89	27	64	23	75	26	69	25
			6 Very important		213	34	124	38	84	30	109	38	84	31
				Total	624	100	330	100	283	100	285	100	271	100
d. Assistance coping with your	cenvnaca	ICE	1 Not important		22	4	11	3	11	4	9	3	10	4
non-academic responsibilities			2		37	6	16	5	21	7	12	4	25	9
(work, family, etc.)			3		112	18	54	16	57	20	54	19	49	18
			4		171	27	90	27	76	27	75	26	69	25
			5		141	23	75	23	65	23	65	23	64	24
			6 Very important		140	22	85	26	53	19	70	25	55	20
				Total	623	100	331	100	283	100	285	100	272	100
e. Support to help you thrive	cenvsoca	ICE	1 Not important		22	4	12	4	10	4	9	3	10	4
socially			2		39	6	23	7	16	6	19	7	19	7
			3		113	18	57	17	54	19	42	15	58	21
			4		148	24	73	22	72	25	71	25	55	20
			5		155	25	82	25	71	25	72	25	68	25
			6 Very important		147	24	83	25	60	21	72	25	61	23
				Total	624	100	330	100	283	100	285	100	271	100
f. Opportunities to attend campus	cenveven	ICE	1 Not important		9	1	3	1	6	2	3	1	3	1
events and activities			2		20	3	7	2	13	5	9	3	9	3
			3		92	15	44	13	45	16	28	10	54	20
			4		164	26	91	27	70	25	82	29	64	24
			5		149	24	79	24	70	25	59	21	73	27
			6 Very important		190	30	107	32	80	28	103	36	69	25
				Total	624	100	331	100	284	100	284	100	272	100
19. About how much of your college	expenses (tuition	on, fees, bo	oks, room & board) this ye	ar will be	provided by e	ach of the	e following so	urces?			-			
a. Scholarships and grants	cschgr		None		135	22	69	21	66	24	44	15	80	30
	Č		Less than half		164	27	89	27	74	27	88	31	64	24
			Half or more		116	19	66	20	47	17	55	19	52	19
			All or nearly all		128	21	62	19	62	22	63	22	47	17
			Do not know		73	12	42	13	30	11	36	13	26	10
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Total	616	100	328	100	279	100	286	100	269	100
				Total	616	100	328	100	279	100	286	100	269	

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or student engage	Cilicit		_	All Stude	ents	Fema	le	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
b. Student loans	cstudlo	None		164	27	90	27	72	26	68	24	80	30
		Less than half		155	25	81	25	72	26	77	27	63	24
		Half or more		127	21	71	22	55	20	62	22	58	22
		All or nearly all		67	11	34	10	31	11	33	12	27	10
		Do not know		99	16	53	16	45	16	44	15	40	15
			Total	612	100	329	100	275	100	284	100	268	100
c. Parents/family	cparfam	None		111	18	60	18	50	18	69	24	32	12
		Less than half		150	25	82	25	66	24	73	26	61	23
		Half or more		132	22	65	20	64	23	52	18	69	26
		All or nearly all		139	23	81	25	57	21	50	18	80	30
		Do not know		80	13	40	12	39	14	39	14	27	10
			Total	612	100	328	100	276	100	283	100	269	100
d. Self (work on-campus or off-	cself	None		95	16	52	16	43	16	41	14	41	15
campus, savings)		Less than half		238	39	128	39	107	39	116	41	108	40
		Half or more		96	16	53	16	41	15	45	16	43	16
		All or nearly all		65	11	32	10	32	12	23	8	36	13
		Do not know		115	19	62	19	51	19	59	21	40	15
			Total	609	100	327	100	274	100	284	100	268	100
20. Did you receive a Federal Pell	cpell	No		195	32	107	33	86	31	79	28	101	37
Grant?		Yes		116	19	70	21	43	16	76	27	28	10
		Do not know		300	49	152	46	145	53	126	45	141	52
			Total	611	100	329	100	274	100	281	100	270	100
21. What do you expect most of	cgrades	C- or lower		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
your grades will be at this		С		3	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	2	1
college during the coming		C+		8	1	4	1	4	1	5	2	2	1
year? (Select only one.)		B-		44	7	23	7	19	7	16	6	19	7
		В		135	23	70	22	64	23	55	20	63	24
		B+		190	32	109	34	78	28	92	33	75	29
		A-		133	22	72	23	58	21	69	25	57	22
		A		87	15	36	11	51	19	40	14	41	16
		Grades not used		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			Total	600	100	316	100	275	100	277	100	259	100
22. Do you intend to graduate from	cintgrad	No		36	6	14	4	22	8	13	5	20	7
this college?		Yes		407	66	239	72	165	59	190	67	166	62
		Uncertain		177	29	79	24	94	33	81	29	83	31
			Total	620	100	332	100	281	100	284	100	269	100

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of student engag	ement						Genu	ici		1.11	or Gen	ei ation	
or student engag	Cilicit		_	All Stude	ents	Fema	le	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale Response Options		Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
23. What is the highest academic	chighdeg	Associate's degree		6	1	3	1	3	1	3	1	2	1
degree you intend to obtain at		Bachelor's degree		163	26	82	25	79	28	71	25	73	28
this <u>or any</u> college?		Master's degree		206	33	106	32	98	35	98	34	93	35
		Doctoral degree		137	22	79	24	54	19	66	23	57	22
		Uncertain		104	17	59	18	45	16	47	16	40	15
			Total	616	100	329	100	279	100	285	100	265	100
24. What month are you	cmonth	Jan		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
completing this survey?		Feb		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Mar		1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0
		Apr		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		May		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Jun		275	44	166	49	106	37	118	41	136	49
		Jul		203	32	98	29	101	35	99	34	73	27
		Aug		152	24	73	22	77	27	69	24	66	24
		Sep		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Oct		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Nov		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		Dec		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			Total	631	100	337	100	285	100	287	100	275	100
25. Do you know what your major	cmajor	No		194	32	100	31	92	33	80	28	91	34
will be?		Yes		419	68	226	69	187	67	201	72	175	66
			Total	613	100	326	100	279	100	281	100	266	100
Recoded variable xmajcod1	xmajrcol	Arts and Humanities		40	10	21	10	18	10	19	10	18	11
into one of ten major categories	-	Biological Sciences		75	19	49	23	26	14	41	21	26	16
listed at right		Business		56	14	24	11	31	17	29	15	21	13
		Education		2	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
		Engineering		16	4	2	1	14	8	9	5	6	4
		Physical Science		22	6	9	4	13	7	8	4	8	5
		Professional		62	16	48	23	12	7	33	17	24	15
		Social Science		63	16	40	19	21	12	26	13	33	20
		Other		60	15	15	7	45	25	27	14	27	16
		Undecided		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
			Total	397	100	210	100	181	100	193	100	165	100

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of student engage	gement			All Stude	ents	Femal	le	Male	e	Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale Re.	sponse Options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
26. Are you, or will you be, a full-	cenrlmen	No		11	2	4	1	7	2	4	1	5	2
time student this fall term?		Yes		614	98	331	99	277	98	284	99	269	98
			Total	625	100	335	100	284	100	288	100	274	100
27. How many of your <u>close</u>	cfriends	None		292	47	148	44	141	50	123	43	146	53
friends will attend this college		1		128	21	77	23	51	18	70	24	44	16
during the coming year?		2		90	14	57	17	33	12	38	13	40	15
		3		42	7	23	7	18	6	22	8	15	5
		4 or more		72	12	30	9	39	14	35	12	28	10
			Total	624	100	335	100	282	100	288	100	273	100
28. Your sex:	csex	Male		288	46	0	0	288	100	118	41	131	48
		Female		338	54	338	100	0	0	170	59	141	52
			Total	626	100	338	100	288	100	288	100	272	100
- Are you a current or former member of the U.S. Armed Forces, Reserves, or National	cveterean***	No		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Guard? (Note: Item appeared only in the online instrument.)		Yes		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
			Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
 As part of your military experience, did you receive combat pay, hostile fire pay, or 	cvetpay***	No		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
imminent danger pay? (Note: Item appeared only in		Yes		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
the online instrument .)			Total	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
29. Are you an international	cinterna	No		585	94	318	95	262	93	273	95	255	94
student or foreign national?		Yes		35	6	15	5	20	7	14	5	16	6
			Total	620	100	333	100	282	100	287	100	271	100

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Gender

of student engage	ement			All Students		Female		Male		Yes		No	
	Variable	Scale	Response Options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
30. What is your racial or ethnic identification? (Select only one.)	crace		American Indian or other Native American	2	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	2	1
			Asian, Asian American, or Pacific Islander	89	14	48	14	41	14	47	16	30	11
			Black or African American	61	10	37	11	22	8	28	10	20	7
			White (non-Hispanic)	329	52	162	48	164	58	141	49	169	62
			Mexican or Mexican American	5	1	2	1	3	1	1	0	2	1
			Puerto Rican	10	2	8	2	2	1	7	2	2	1
			Other Hispanic or Latino	45	7	25	7	19	7	25	9	14	5
			Multiracial	33	5	21	6	12	4	13	5	15	5
			Other	30	5	16	5	14	5	15	5	13	5
			I prefer not to respond	25	4	16	5	8	3	11	4	7	3
			Total	629	100	337	100	285	100	288	100	274	100
31. Please indicate whether your pare	nts completed	a 4-year col	lege degree.										
a. Mother (or guardian)	cmothred		Did not complete 4-year degree	331	53	196	59	132	47	283	98	48	17
Completed 4-year degree			217	35	108	32	106	38	0	0	217	79	
	Do not know				11	29	9	41	15	5	2	10	4
			Total	619	100	333	100	279	100	288	100	275	100
b. Father (or guardian)	cfathred		Did not complete 4-year degree	341	55	198	59	140	50	272	94	69	25
			Completed 4-year degree	193	31	95	28	95	34	0	0	193	70
			Do not know	87	14	41	12	45	16	17	6	13	5
			Total	621	100	334	100	280	100	289	100	275	100
32. How far is your home from this college?	cdistanc		20 miles or less	324	52	161	49	161	58	167	58	120	44
			21-50 miles	177	29	98	30	75	27	78	27	85	31
			51-100 miles	63	10	41	12	21	8	25	9	35	13
			101-200 miles	23	4	15	5	8	3	8	3	11	4
			201-400 miles	12	2	5	2	7	3	5	2	7	3
			More than 400 miles	19	3	11	3	8	3	5	2	13	5
			Total	618	100	331	100	280	100	288	100	271	100

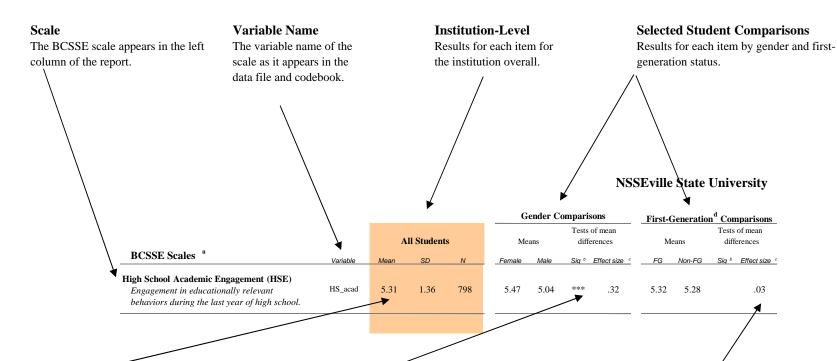
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BCSSE 2010 Mean Scale Scores and Selected Student Comparisons





Mean

The unweighted scale mean is reported overall for the institution, as well as by gender and firstgeneration status

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 (p<.05, p<.01, and 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 tend to generate more statistically significant results even though the magnitude of mean differences may be inconsequential. It is recommended to consult effect sizes 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.



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					(Gender Comparisons				First-Generation ^d Comparisons				
		All Students		ts	Means		Tests of mean differences		Means		Tests of mean differences			
BCSSE Scales ^a	Variable	Mean	SD	N	Female	Male	Sig b	Effect size c	FG	Non-FG	Sig b	Effect size ^c		
High School Academic Engagement (HSE) Engagement in educationally relevant behaviors during the last year of high school.	HS_acad	5.44	1.52	648	5.58	5.28	*	.19	5.45	5.52		04		
Expected Academic Engagement (EAE) Expected engagement in educationally relevant behaviors during the first year of college.	Exp_acad	6.36	1.66	648	6.51	6.17	*	.20	6.42	6.34		.05		
Expected Academic Perseverance (EAP) Student certainty that they will persist in the face of academic adversity.	Acad_per	7.03	1.76	648	7.17	6.86	*	.18	7.17	6.96		.12		
Expected Academic Difficulty (EAD) Expected academic difficulty during the first year of college.	Acad_dif	4.97	1.74	648	5.03	4.88		.08	5.06	4.94		.07		
Perceived Academic Preparation (PAP) Student perception of their academic preparation.	Acad_prep	7.01	1.69	648	7.09	6.94		.09	7.09	7.06		.02		
Importance of Campus Environment (ICE) Student-rated importance that the institution provides a challenging and supportive environment.	Imp_env	7.17	1.83	648	7.36	6.93	**	.23	7.41	7.00	**	.23		

^a Scale scores are expressed in 0 (minimum) to 10 (maximum) point scales. See the following page for complete scale descriptions and component items.

^b T-test results (2-tailed): * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001. The smaller the significance level, the less likely that the difference is due to chance.

^c Effect size is the mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation. It indicates the *practical* significance of the mean difference (effect size .2 is often considered small, .5 is moderate, and .8 is large).

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BCSSE Scales

The following BCSSE scales were constructed by converting the responses for each item to a 0-10 range. A mean scale score was then calculated for each student. Below is a brief description of each scale with the component BCSSE items in parentheses.

High School Academic Engagement (HSE)	Engagement in educationally relevant behaviors during the last year of high school.	hreadasg, hwrite5, hwrite5m, hacadpr, hclquest, hclprese, hfacgrad, hclassgr, hoccgrp, hrewropa, hfacidea, hoocidea				
Expected Academic Engagement (EAE)	Expected engagement in educationally relevant behaviors during the first year of college.	cacadpr, cclquest, cclprese, cfacgrad, cclassgr, coccgrp, cfacidea, coocidea				
Expected Academic Perseverance (EAP)	Student certainty that they will persist in the face of academic adversity.	cotherint, cfindinfo, ccourdis, caskinst, cfinish, cstaypos				
Expected Academic Difficulty (EAD)	Expected academic difficulty during the first year of college.	clearnma, cmantime, cgethelp, cintfac				
Perceived Academic Preparation (PAP)	Student perception of their academic preparation.	cgnwrite, cgnspeak, cgnanaly, cgnquant, cgncompt, cgnother, cgninq				
Importance of Campus Environment (ICE)	Student-rated importance that the institution provides a challenging and supportive environment.	cenvscho, cenvsupr, cenvdivr, cenvnaca, cenvsoca, cenveven				