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Southern Utah University

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 undergraduate students in their first and final years to assess their levels of engagement and related information about their experience at your institution.

Comparison Group

The comparison group featured in this report is

Public 5001 - 10000

See your *Selected Comparison Groups* report for details.

Your students compared with

This *Snapshot* is a concise collection of key findings from your institution's NSSE 2019 administration. We hope this information stimulates discussions about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these and other results appear in the reports referenced throughout.

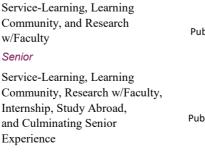
Engagement Indicators

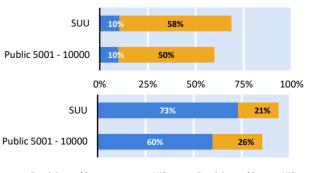
| Sets of items are grouped into ten | | | Public 5001 - 10000 | |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------|
| Engagement Indicators, organized | Theme | Engagement Indicator | First-year | Senior |
| under four broad themes. At right are summary results for your | Academic Challenge | Higher-Order Learning | | ∇ |
| institution. For details, see your Engagement Indicators report. | | Reflective & Integrative Learning | | |
| Engugement Indicators Teport. | | Learning Strategies | ∇ | |
| Key: | | Quantitative Reasoning | | ∇ |
| Your students' average was significantly higher ($p < .05$) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude. | Learning | Collaborative Learning | | |
| Your students' average was significantly higher ($p < .05$) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude. | with Peers | Discussions with Diverse Others | | |
| No significant difference. | Experiences | Student-Faculty Interaction | | |
| Your students' average was significantly lower ($p < .05$) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude. | with Faculty | Effective Teaching Practices | | |
| Your students' average was significantly lower $(p < .05)$ with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude. | Campus Environment | Quality of Interactions | | |
| | | Supportive Environment | | |
| | | | | |

High-Impact Practices

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

First-year





Participated in two or more HIPs

Participated in one HIP



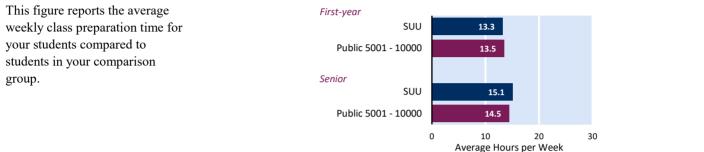
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Academic Challenge: Additional Results

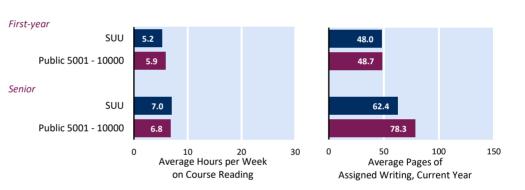
The Academic Challenge theme contains four Engagement Indicators as well as several important individual items. The results presented here provide an overview of these individual items. For more information about the Academic Challenge theme, see your *Engagement Indicators* report. To further explore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

Time Spent Preparing for Class



Reading and Writing

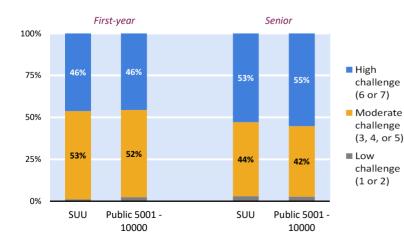
These figures summarize the number of hours your students spent reading for their courses and the average number of pages of assigned writing compared to students in your comparison group. Each is an estimate calculated from two or more separate survey questions.



Preparing for Class

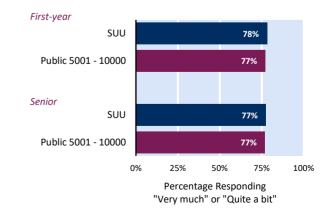
Challenging Students to Do Their Best Work

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

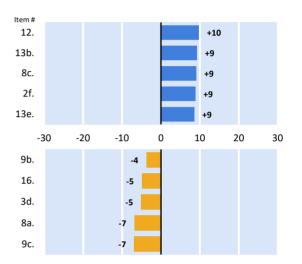
First-year

Highest Performing Relative to Public 5001 - 10000

About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)?^e (HIP) Quality of interactions with academic advisors^d (QI) Discussions with... People with religious beliefs other than your own^b (DD) Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept^b (RI) Quality of interactions with other administrative staff and offices (...)^d (QI) **Lowest Performing Relative to Public 5001 - 10000**

Reviewed your notes after class^b (LS)

Spent more than 10 hours per week on assigned reading^f Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member^b (SF) Discussions with... People of a race or ethnicity other than your own^b (DD) Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials^b (LS)



Percentage Point Difference with Public 5001 - 10000

Senior

Highest Performing Relative to Public 5001 - 10000

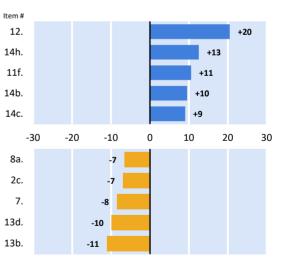
| About how many courses have included a community-based project (service-learning)? ^e (HIP) | | | | | |
|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Institution emphasis on attending campus activities and events $\left(ight)^{c}$ (SE) | | | | | |
| Completed a culminating senior experience () (HIP) | | | | | |
| Institution emphasis on providing support to help students succeed academically ^c (SE) | | | | | |
| Institution emphasis on using learning support services () ^c (SE) | | | | | |
| Lowest Performing Relative to Public 5001 - 10000 | | | | | |
| Discussions with People of a race or ethnicity other than your own^b (DD) | | | | | |
| Included diverse perspectives () in course discussions or assignments ^b (PI) | | | | | |

Included diverse perspectives (...) in course discussions or assignments $^{\circ}$ (RI)

Assigned more than 50 pages of writing^g

Quality of interactions with student services staff $\left(\ldots \right)^{d}$ (QI)

Quality of interactions with academic advisors^d (QI)



Percentage Point Difference with Public 5001 - 10000

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 empound of source of

g. Estimate based on number of assigned writing tasks of various lengths.

f. Estimate based on the reported amount of course preparation time spent on assigned reading



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How Students Assess Their Experience

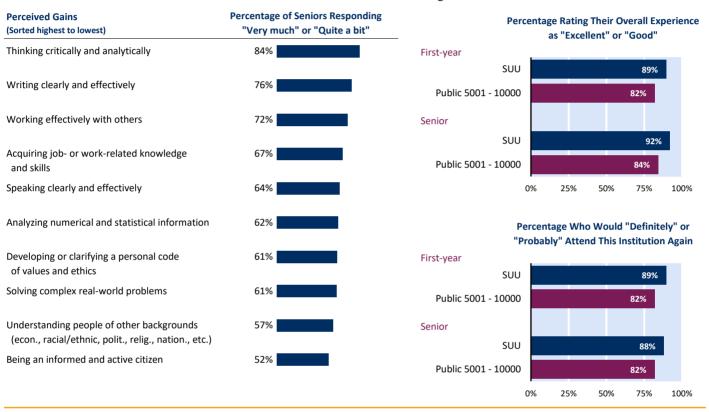
Students' perceptions of their cognitive and affective development, as well as their overall satisfaction with the institution, provide useful evidence of their educational experiences. For more details, see your *Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons* report.

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 SUU

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 | 742 | 31% | 72% | 98% |
| Senior | 647 | 37% | 57% | 90% |
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See your *Administration Summary* and *Respondent Profile* reports for more information.

Additional Questions

Your institution administered the following additional question set(s): **Experiences with Writing Experiences with Information Literacy** See your *Topical Module* report(s) for results.

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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