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#### **A Summary of Student Engagement Results**

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

# **Comparison Group**

The comparison group featured in this report is

#### **Urban Peers**

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 2016 administration. We hope this information stimulates discussions about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these and other results appear in the reports referenced throughout.

# Engagement Indicators Sets of items are grouped into ten Engagement Indicators, organized under four broad themes. At right are summary results for your institution. For details, see your Engagement Indicators report.

Eng	gagement Indicators report.	Challenge	
Ke	y:		
<b>A</b>	<b>Your students' average</b> was significantly higher ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.	Learning with Peer	
Δ	Your students' average was significantly higher ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.		
	No significant difference.	Experienc	
$\nabla$	<b>Your students' average</b> was significantly lower $(p < .05)$ with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.	with Facu	

		Urban Peers	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	First-year	Senior
	Higher-Order Learning	$\nabla$	Δ
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning		
Challenge	Learning Strategies		
	Quantitative Reasoning		Δ
Learning	Collaborative Learning	•	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others		
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction		
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices		Δ
Campus	Quality of Interactions		
Campus Environment	Supportive Environment		Δ

## **High-Impact Practices**

.3 in magnitude.

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

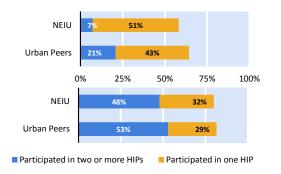
**Your students' average** was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size at least

#### First-year

Learning Community, Service-Learning, and Research w/Faculty

#### Senior

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





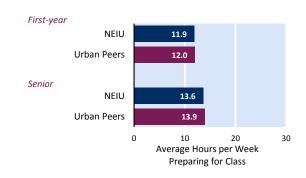
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# **Academic Challenge: Additional Results**

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

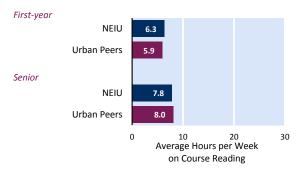
#### **Time Spent Preparing for Class**

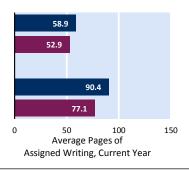
This figure reports the average weekly class preparation time for your first-year and senior students compared to students in your comparison group.



#### **Reading and Writing**

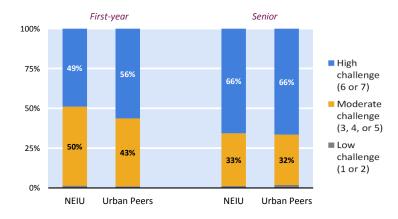
These figures summarize the number of hours your students spent reading for their courses and the average number of pages of assigned writing compared to students in your comparison group. Each is an estimate calculated from two or more separate survey questions.





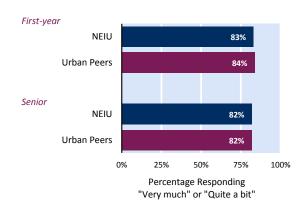
## **Challenging Students to Do Their Best Work**

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

#### First-year

## **Highest Performing Relative to Urban Peers**

Quality of interactions with academic advisors<sup>d</sup> (QI)

Institution emphasis on encouraging contact among students from different backgrounds... (SE)

Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information (QR)

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

Institution emphasis on helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (...)<sup>c</sup> (SE)

#### **Lowest Performing Relative to Urban Peers**

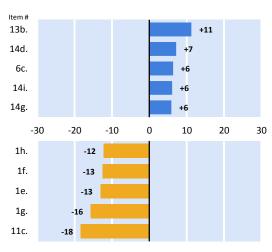
Worked with other students on course projects or assignments<sup>b</sup> (CL)

Explained course material to one or more students<sup>b</sup> (CL)

Asked another student to help you understand course material<sup>b</sup> (CL)

Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material w/other students<sup>b</sup> (CL)

Participated in a learning community or some other formal program where... (HIP)



Percentage Point Difference with Urban Peers

#### Senior

#### **Highest Performing Relative to Urban Peers**

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

Assigned more than 50 pages of writing<sup>g</sup>

Instructors used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points  $^{\rm c}$  (ET)

Instructors provided feedback on a draft or work in progress<sup>c</sup> (ET)

Instructors provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments<sup>c</sup> (ET)

#### **Lowest Performing Relative to Urban Peers**

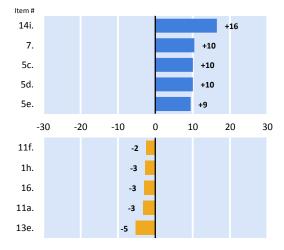
Completed a culminating senior experience (...) (HIP)

Worked with other students on course projects or assignments<sup>b</sup> (CL)

Spent more than 10 hours per week on assigned reading f

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

Quality of interactions with other administrative staff and offices (...)<sup>d</sup> (QI)



Percentage Point Difference with Urban Peers

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

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

c. Combination of students responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit."

d. Rated at least 6 on a 7-point scale.

e. Percentage reporting at least "Some."

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

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



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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**

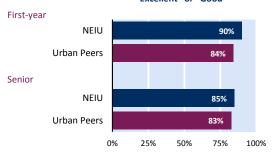
Students reported how much their experience at your institution contributed to their knowledge, skills, and personal development in ten areas.

# **Perceived Gains Percentage of Seniors Responding** "Very much" or "Quite a bit" (Sorted highest to lowest) Thinking critically and analytically Writing clearly and effectively Working effectively with others Understanding people of other backgrounds (econ., racial/ethnic, polit., relig., nation., etc.) Speaking clearly and effectively Solving complex real-world problems Being an informed and active citizen Acquiring job- or work-related knowledge and skills Developing or clarifying a personal code of values and ethics Analyzing numerical and statistical information

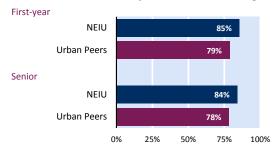
#### **Satisfaction with NEIU**

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

#### Percentage Rating Their Overall Experience as "Excellent" or "Good"



Percentage Who Would "Definitely" or "Probably" Attend This Institution Again



#### **Administration Details**

#### **Response Summary**

	Count	Resp. rate	Female	Full-time
First-year	189	26%	61%	85%
Senior	331	33%	66%	59%

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

#### **Additional Questions**

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

**Academic Advising** 

**Civic Engagement** 

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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