



NSSE 2017

Engagement Indicators

Regent University

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
<i>Academic Challenge</i>	Higher-Order Learning Reflective & Integrative Learning Learning Strategies Quantitative Reasoning
<i>Learning with Peers</i>	Collaborative Learning Discussions with Diverse Others
<i>Experiences with Faculty</i>	Student-Faculty Interaction Effective Teaching Practices
<i>Campus Environment</i>	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 2016 and 2017 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).

EIs 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 EI scores vary among your students and those in your comparison groups. The Report Builder—Institution Version 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

Engagement Indicators: Overview

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

Use the following key:

- ▲ **Your students' average** was significantly higher ($p < .05$) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.
- △ **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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First-Year Students

Theme	Engagement Indicator	Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year students compared with
		CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2017
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	▽	--	--

Seniors

Theme	Engagement Indicator	Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with
		CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2017
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	▽	▽	▽
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Academic Challenge: First-year students

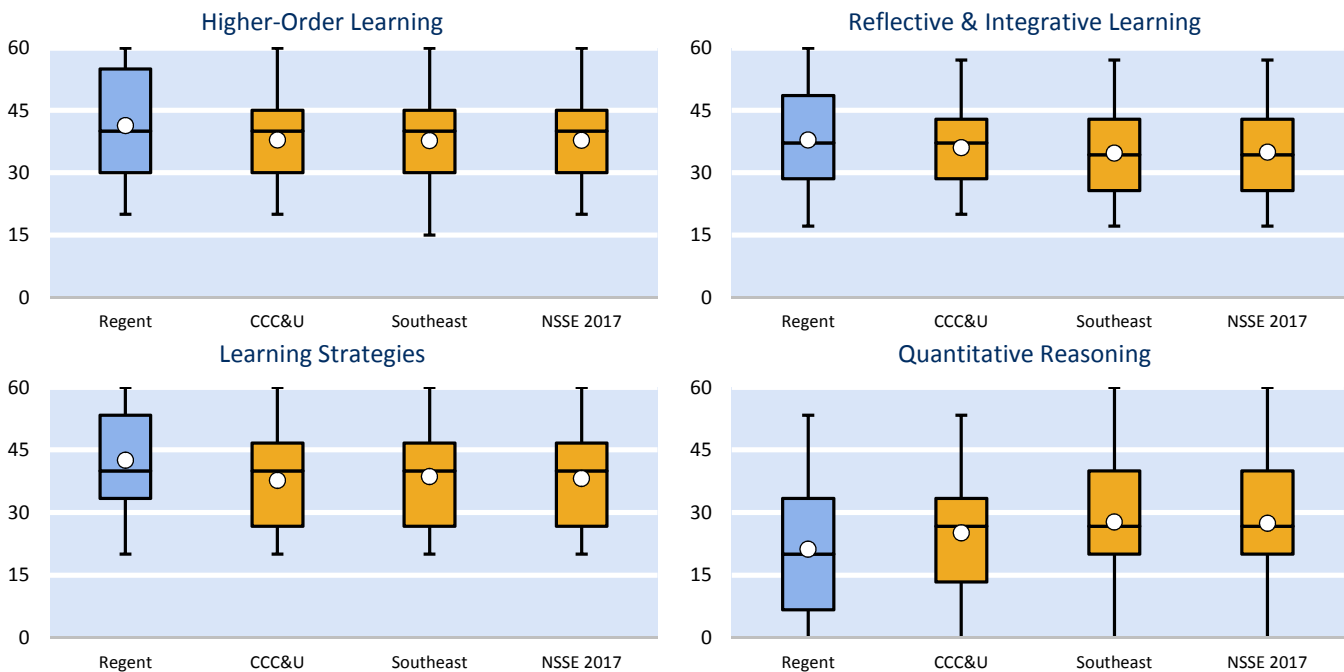
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Higher-Order Learning	41.4	37.9 ***	.28	37.8 ***	.27	37.8 ***	.27
Reflective & Integrative Learning	37.9	36.0 **	.17	34.7 ***	.27	35.0 ***	.25
Learning Strategies	42.5	37.7 ***	.36	38.6 ***	.29	38.2 ***	.32
Quantitative Reasoning	21.2	25.1 ***	-.26	27.7 ***	-.42	27.4 ***	-.41

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	Regent	Percentage point difference between your FY students and		
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Higher-Order Learning				
<i>Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized...</i>				
	%			
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	75	+4 	+5 	+4 
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	78	+8 	+8 	+8 
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	81	+10 	+12 	+12 
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	76	+6 	+8 	+7 
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	44	-9 	-6 	-7 
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	62	+8 	+12 	+11 
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	66	+10 	+16 	+15 
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	77	+11 	+14 	+14 
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	78	+6 	+8 	+8 
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	73	+3 	+7 	+6 
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	83	+3 	+7 	+6 
Learning Strategies				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	86	+8 	+10 	+10 
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	73	+11 	+6 	+8 
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	73	+12 	+9 	+10 
Quantitative Reasoning				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
6a. Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	38	-7 	-15 	-14 
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	28	-5 	-11 	-10 
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	28	-6 	-11 	-10 

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Academic Challenge: Seniors

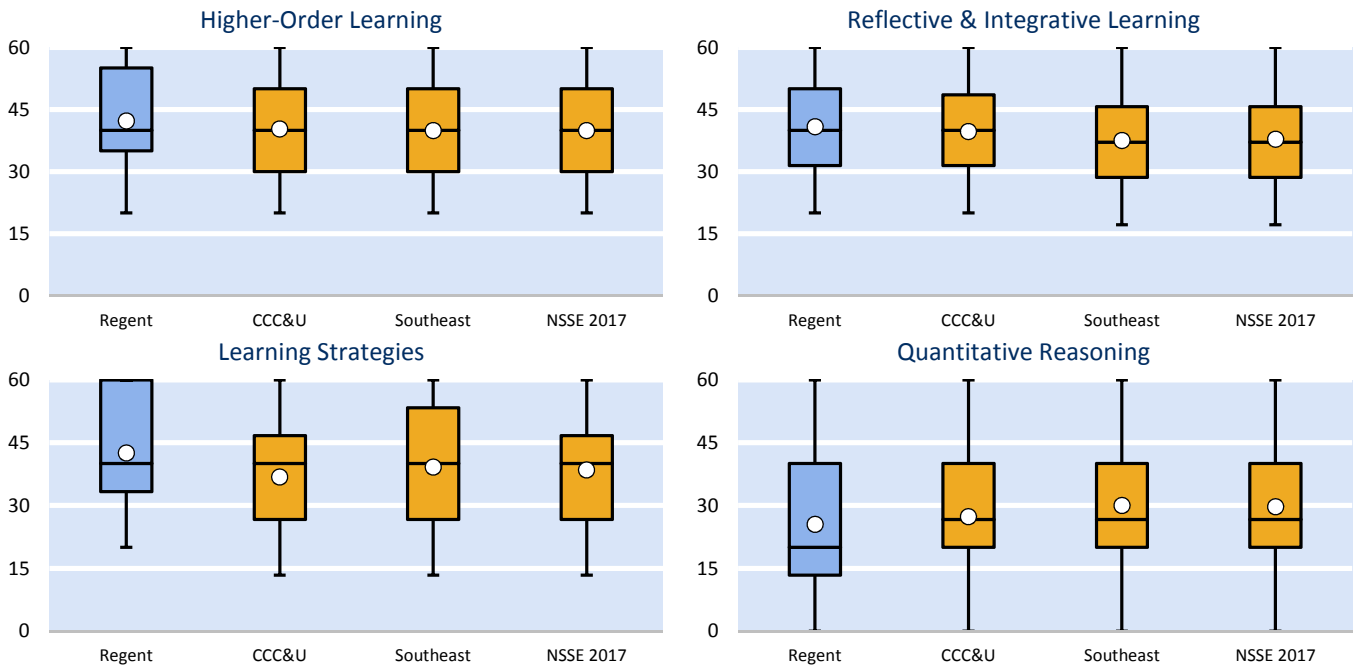
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Higher-Order Learning	42.3	40.4 **	.15	39.9 **	.17	39.9 ***	.17
Reflective & Integrative Learning	40.8	39.7	.10	37.5 ***	.26	37.8 ***	.24
Learning Strategies	42.5	36.8 ***	.41	39.2 ***	.23	38.4 ***	.28
Quantitative Reasoning	25.5	27.3 *	-.12	30.0 ***	-.28	29.7 ***	-.26

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<i>Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized...</i>				
	%			
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	79	+0	+1	+1
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	80	+4	+5	+5
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	82	+10	+14	+13
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	79	+7	+8	+7
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	64	-7	-5	-5
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	71	+3	+13	+11
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	69	+7	+19	+17
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2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	82	+6	+9	+9
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	74	-0	+4	+3
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	88	+1	+5	+5
Learning Strategies				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	88	+6	+9	+8
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	70	+18	+5	+8
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	71	+12	+5	+7
Quantitative Reasoning				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
6a. Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	43	-5	-14	-13
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	36	-2	-8	-7
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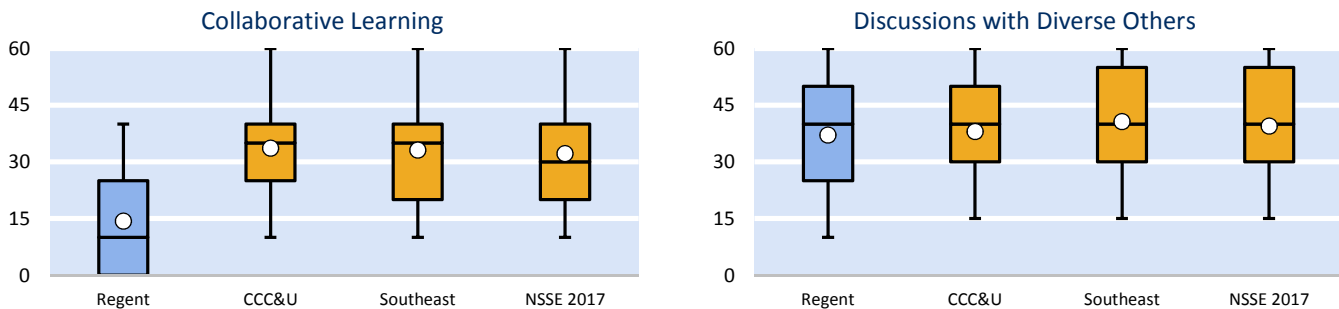
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Collaborative Learning	14.3	33.6 ***	-1.40	33.0 ***	-1.33	32.2 ***	-1.24
Discussions with Diverse Others	37.1	38.0	-.06	40.6 ***	-.23	39.4 *	-.15

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Collaborative Learning	Regent	Percentage point difference between your FY students and		
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Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...	%			
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	15	-41	-39	-38
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	18	-41	-41	-40
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	20	-36	-32	-30
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	20	-37	-34	-33
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	72	-0	-1	+2
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	73	+1	+0	+2
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	44	-1	-24	-22
8d. People with political views other than your own	63	-6	-6	-4

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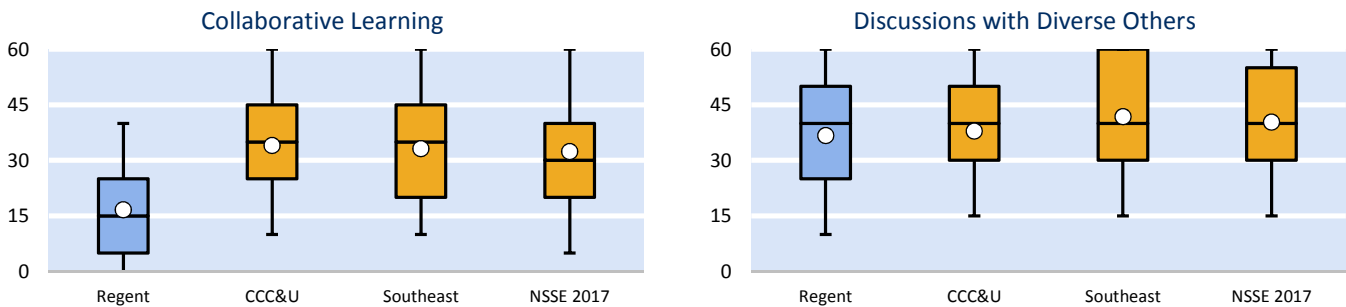
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1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	13	-35	-32	-30
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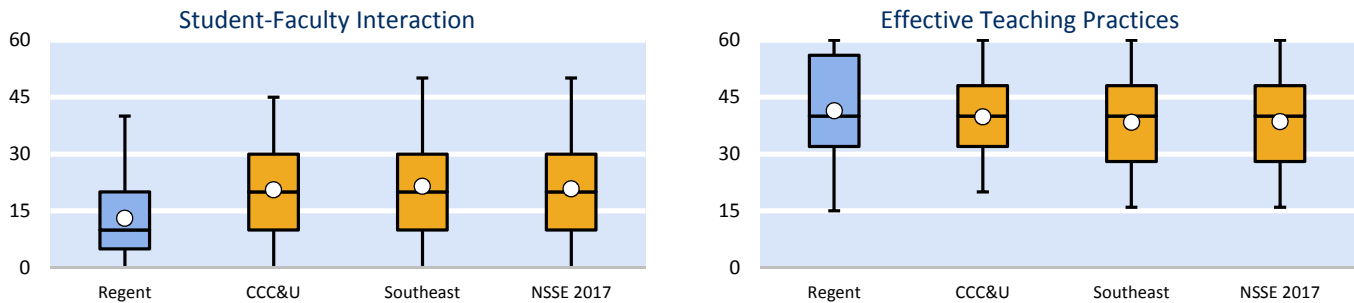
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3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	23	-12	-15	-13
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	8	-11	-14	-12
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	13	-12	-13	-12
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	15	-9	-16	-15
<i>Effective Teaching Practices</i>				
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5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	83	+2	+6	+5
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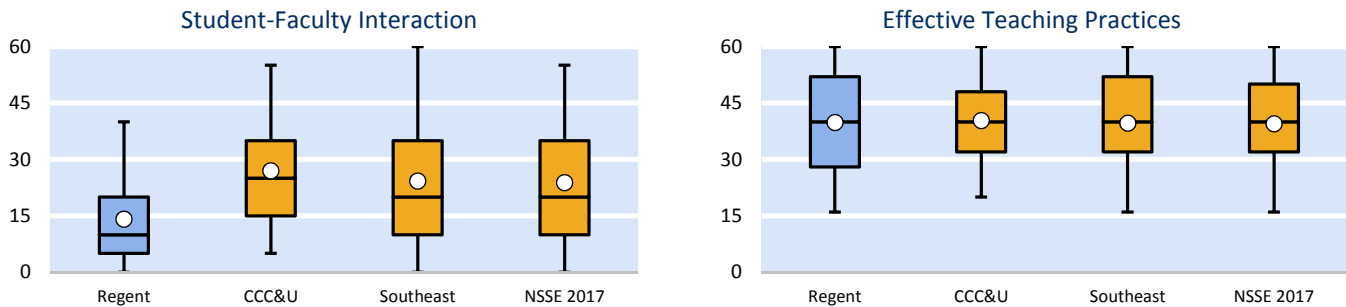
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Campus Environment: First-year students

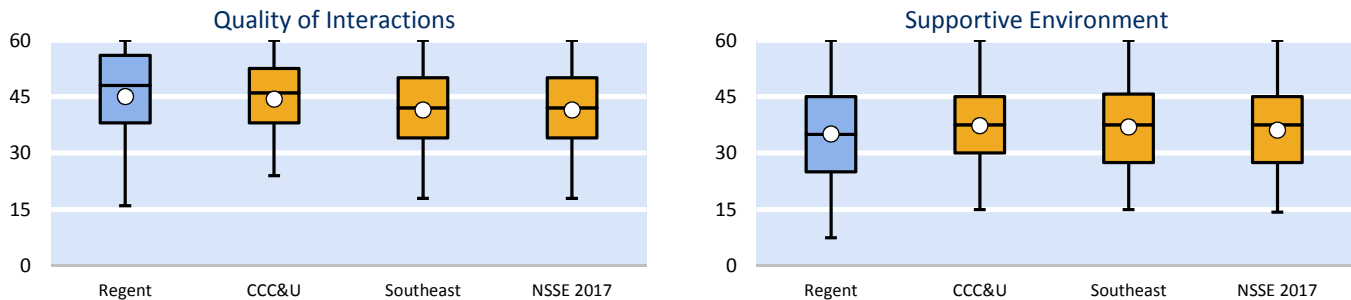
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Mean Comparisons

Engagement Indicator	Regent Mean	Your first-year students compared with					
		CCC&U Mean	Effect size	Southeast Mean	Effect size	NSSE 2017 Mean	Effect size
Quality of Interactions	45.0	44.4	.06	41.4 ***	.28	41.5 ***	.28
Supportive Environment	35.1	37.3 *	-.17	36.9	-.14	36.1	-.08

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Quality of Interactions	Regent %	Percentage point difference between your FY students and		
		CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2017
<i>Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with...</i>				
13a. Students	58	-2	+8	+8
13b. Academic advisors	61	+8	+11	+12
13c. Faculty	63	+3	+16	+15
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	57	+6	+13	+14
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	60	+10	+19	+18
<i>Supportive Environment</i>				
<i>Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized...</i>				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	79	-1	+4	+4
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	79	+3	+3	+3
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	63	-3	-0	+1
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	69	-7	-4	-2
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	68	-6	-4	-2
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	42	-2	-3	-1
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	50	-18	-18	-13
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	46	-7	-6	-5

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Campus Environment: Seniors

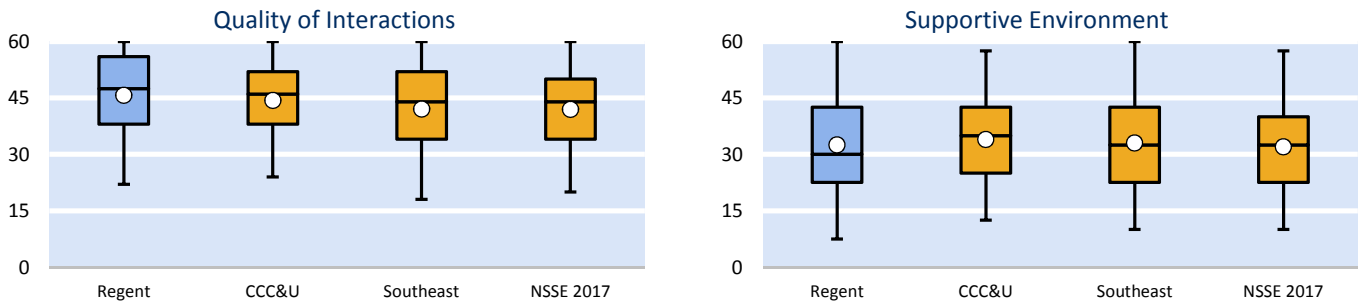
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Mean Comparisons

Engagement Indicator	Regent Mean	Your seniors compared with					
		CCC&U Mean	Effect size	Southeast Mean	Effect size	NSSE 2017 Mean	Effect size
Quality of Interactions	45.8	44.3 *	.13	42.0 ***	.30	42.0 ***	.31
Supportive Environment	32.5	34.0	-.11	33.0	-.04	32.0	.03

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Quality of Interactions	Regent %	Percentage point difference between your seniors and		
		CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2017
<i>Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with...</i>				
13a. Students	62	-2	+4	+5
13b. Academic advisors	54	-3	+4	+4
13c. Faculty	64	-1	+9	+8
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	55	+11	+13	+14
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	61	+15	+20	+20
<i>Supportive Environment</i>				
<i>Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized...</i>				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	77	+1	+6	+6
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	75	+9	+10	+10
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	52	-4	-4	-2
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	55	-15	-12	-8
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	61	-7	-2	+1
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	35	+2	+3	+4
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	48	-12	-8	-3
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	47	+0	+4	+5

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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 2016 and 2017 NSSE institutions, and
- (b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2016 and 2017 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 (✓) signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable^b 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

Theme	Engagement Indicator	Regent Mean	Your first-year students compared with					
			NSSE Top 50%			NSSE Top 10%		
			Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
<i>Academic Challenge</i>	Higher-Order Learning	41.4	39.2 **	.17	✓	41.2	.02	✓
	Reflective and Integrative Learning	37.9	36.6 *	.11	✓	38.3	-.03	✓
	Learning Strategies	42.5	39.8 **	.20	✓	41.9	.04	✓
	Quantitative Reasoning	21.2	28.8 ***	-.50		30.4 ***	-.60	
<i>Learning with Peers</i>	Collaborative Learning	14.3	35.2 ***	-1.54		37.1 ***	-1.70	
	Discussions with Diverse Others	37.1	41.7 ***	-.31		43.8 ***	-.46	
<i>Experiences with Faculty</i>	Student-Faculty Interaction	13.0	23.8 ***	-.73		27.2 ***	-.91	
	Effective Teaching Practices	41.4	40.7	.05	✓	42.6	-.09	✓
<i>Campus Environment</i>	Quality of Interactions	45.0	43.8	.11	✓	46.1	-.09	✓
	Supportive Environment	35.1	38.2 **	-.24		40.0 ***	-.38	

Seniors

Theme	Engagement Indicator	Regent Mean	Your seniors compared with					
			NSSE Top 50%			NSSE Top 10%		
			Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
<i>Academic Challenge</i>	Higher-Order Learning	42.3	41.8	.03	✓	43.3	-.07	✓
	Reflective and Integrative Learning	40.8	40.0	.07	✓	42.0	-.09	✓
	Learning Strategies	42.5	40.7 *	.12	✓	42.9	-.03	✓
	Quantitative Reasoning	25.5	31.1 ***	-.35		33.0 ***	-.47	
<i>Learning with Peers</i>	Collaborative Learning	16.7	35.8 ***	-1.39		37.9 ***	-1.58	
	Discussions with Diverse Others	36.7	42.3 ***	-.36		44.3 ***	-.49	
<i>Experiences with Faculty</i>	Student-Faculty Interaction	14.1	29.2 ***	-.96		33.0 ***	-1.19	
	Effective Teaching Practices	39.7	41.8 **	-.15		43.8 ***	-.30	
<i>Campus Environment</i>	Quality of Interactions	45.8	44.8	.08	✓	46.9	-.09	✓
	Supportive Environment	32.5	34.8 **	-.16		37.2 ***	-.34	

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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 2016 and 2017 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: First-year students

	Mean statistics			Percentile ^d scores					Comparison results			
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
Academic Challenge												
Higher-Order Learning												
Regent (N = 308)	41.4	13.3	.76	20	30	40	55	60				
CCC&U	37.9	12.4	.17	20	30	40	45	60	340	3.5	.000	.283
Southeast	37.8	13.4	.05	15	30	40	45	60	74,887	3.6	.000	.270
NSSE 2017	37.8	13.2	.03	20	30	40	45	60	206,434	3.6	.000	.273
Top 50%	39.2	13.1	.03	20	30	40	50	60	178,388	2.2	.003	.171
Top 10%	41.2	13.3	.07	20	35	40	50	60	32,967	.2	.764	.017
Reflective & Integrative Learning												
Regent (N = 326)	37.9	12.4	.69	17	29	37	49	60				
CCC&U	36.0	11.1	.15	20	29	37	43	57	359	1.9	.008	.167
Southeast	34.7	12.1	.04	17	26	34	43	57	78,255	3.2	.000	.265
NSSE 2017	35.0	11.9	.03	17	26	34	43	57	214,627	2.9	.000	.248
Top 50%	36.6	12.0	.03	17	29	37	46	57	165,955	1.3	.043	.112
Top 10%	38.3	12.3	.06	20	29	37	46	60	36,013	-.3	.618	-.028
Learning Strategies												
Regent (N = 276)	42.5	14.0	.85	20	33	40	53	60				
CCC&U	37.7	13.4	.20	20	27	40	47	60	4,874	4.8	.000	.360
Southeast	38.6	13.7	.05	20	27	40	47	60	65,180	3.9	.000	.287
NSSE 2017	38.2	13.6	.03	20	27	40	47	60	182,087	4.4	.000	.322
Top 50%	39.8	13.7	.04	20	27	40	53	60	137,848	2.7	.001	.197
Top 10%	41.9	14.1	.08	20	33	40	53	60	34,936	.6	.478	.043
Quantitative Reasoning												
Regent (N = 310)	21.2	16.5	.94	0	7	20	33	53				
CCC&U	25.1	15.0	.21	0	13	27	33	53	341	-3.9	.000	-.259
Southeast	27.7	15.5	.06	0	20	27	40	60	74,145	-6.5	.000	-.417
NSSE 2017	27.4	15.2	.03	0	20	27	40	60	310	-6.2	.000	-.406
Top 50%	28.8	15.2	.03	0	20	27	40	60	310	-7.6	.000	-.498
Top 10%	30.4	15.2	.07	7	20	27	40	60	313	-9.2	.000	-.601
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
Regent (N = 326)	14.3	14.5	.81	0	0	10	25	40				
CCC&U	33.6	13.7	.19	10	25	35	40	60	5,706	-19.3	.000	-1.403
Southeast	33.0	14.1	.05	10	20	35	40	60	81,601	-18.8	.000	-1.330
NSSE 2017	32.2	14.4	.03	10	20	30	40	60	222,626	-17.9	.000	-1.244
Top 50%	35.2	13.6	.03	15	25	35	45	60	326	-20.9	.000	-1.542
Top 10%	37.1	13.4	.06	15	25	40	45	60	328	-22.8	.000	-1.696
Discussions with Diverse Others												
Regent (N = 274)	37.1	16.1	.97	10	25	40	50	60				
CCC&U	38.0	13.6	.20	15	30	40	50	60	297	-.9	.375	-.064
Southeast	40.6	15.6	.06	15	30	40	55	60	65,742	-3.5	.000	-.226
NSSE 2017	39.4	15.4	.04	15	30	40	55	60	183,482	-2.4	.012	-.153
Top 50%	41.7	14.9	.04	20	30	40	55	60	176,425	-4.6	.000	-.311
Top 10%	43.8	14.5	.07	20	35	45	60	60	276	-6.7	.000	-.461

Detailed Statistics: First-year students

	Mean statistics			Percentile ^d scores					Comparison results			
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Regent (N = 322)	13.0	12.1	.67	0	5	10	20	40				
CCC&U	20.6	13.7	.19	0	10	20	30	45	375	-7.5	.000	-.556
Southeast	21.5	14.9	.05	0	10	20	30	50	326	-8.5	.000	-.571
NSSE 2017	20.8	14.5	.03	0	10	20	30	50	323	-7.8	.000	-.537
Top 50%	23.8	14.7	.04	0	15	20	35	55	324	-10.8	.000	-.731
Top 10%	27.2	15.6	.12	5	15	25	40	60	341	-14.2	.000	-.915
Effective Teaching Practices												
Regent (N = 317)	41.4	14.7	.83	15	32	40	56	60				
CCC&U	39.8	12.1	.17	20	32	40	48	60	343	1.5	.070	.125
Southeast	38.4	13.4	.05	16	28	40	48	60	318	3.0	.000	.223
NSSE 2017	38.5	13.1	.03	16	28	40	48	60	316	2.8	.001	.215
Top 50%	40.7	13.0	.04	20	32	40	52	60	317	.7	.422	.051
Top 10%	42.6	13.6	.08	20	36	44	56	60	321	-1.2	.139	-.091
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
Regent (N = 251)	45.0	13.8	.87	16	38	48	56	60				
CCC&U	44.4	11.4	.17	24	38	46	53	60	269	.7	.453	.058
Southeast	41.4	12.7	.05	18	34	42	50	60	62,023	3.6	.000	.283
NSSE 2017	41.5	12.5	.03	18	34	42	50	60	250	3.6	.000	.284
Top 50%	43.8	11.5	.03	22	38	46	52	60	251	1.2	.166	.105
Top 10%	46.1	11.7	.08	24	40	48	56	60	254	-1.0	.237	-.088
Supportive Environment												
Regent (N = 263)	35.1	15.7	.97	8	25	35	45	60				
CCC&U	37.3	12.7	.19	15	30	38	45	60	283	-2.2	.027	-.170
Southeast	36.9	13.6	.06	15	28	38	46	60	264	-1.9	.056	-.137
NSSE 2017	36.1	13.5	.03	14	28	38	45	60	263	-1.1	.273	-.079
Top 50%	38.2	13.1	.03	18	30	40	48	60	263	-3.2	.001	-.241
Top 10%	40.0	13.0	.07	18	31	40	50	60	265	-4.9	.000	-.378

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

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.

Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mean statistics			Percentile ^d scores					Comparison results			
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
Academic Challenge												
Higher-Order Learning												
Regent (N = 375)	42.3	13.1	.68	20	35	40	55	60				
CCC&U	40.4	12.7	.18	20	30	40	50	60	5,438	1.9	.005	.150
Southeast	39.9	13.9	.04	20	30	40	50	60	102,364	2.3	.001	.168
NSSE 2017	39.9	13.6	.03	20	30	40	50	60	289,099	2.4	.001	.174
Top 50%	41.8	13.5	.03	20	35	40	55	60	171,070	.4	.541	.032
Top 10%	43.3	13.4	.06	20	35	40	55	60	50,948	-1.0	.155	-.074
Reflective & Integrative Learning												
Regent (N = 378)	40.8	11.6	.60	20	31	40	50	60				
CCC&U	39.7	11.3	.16	20	31	40	49	60	5,566	1.2	.056	.102
Southeast	37.5	12.6	.04	17	29	37	46	60	105,679	3.3	.000	.264
NSSE 2017	37.8	12.4	.02	17	29	37	46	60	297,750	3.0	.000	.244
Top 50%	40.0	12.3	.03	20	31	40	49	60	176,288	.8	.183	.069
Top 10%	42.0	12.2	.06	20	34	43	51	60	37,062	-1.1	.070	-.094
Learning Strategies												
Regent (N = 352)	42.5	14.4	.77	20	33	40	60	60				
CCC&U	36.8	14.0	.20	13	27	40	47	60	402	5.7	.000	.407
Southeast	39.2	14.5	.05	13	27	40	53	60	91,066	3.3	.000	.230
NSSE 2017	38.4	14.4	.03	13	27	40	47	60	260,124	4.1	.000	.282
Top 50%	40.7	14.4	.03	20	33	40	53	60	206,694	1.8	.021	.124
Top 10%	42.9	14.3	.06	20	33	40	60	60	60,176	-.4	.626	-.026
Quantitative Reasoning												
Regent (N = 375)	25.5	16.5	.85	0	13	20	40	60				
CCC&U	27.3	15.8	.22	0	20	27	40	60	5,390	-1.8	.031	-.116
Southeast	30.0	16.2	.05	0	20	27	40	60	101,433	-4.5	.000	-.278
NSSE 2017	29.7	16.1	.03	0	20	27	40	60	286,458	-4.2	.000	-.262
Top 50%	31.1	16.2	.03	0	20	33	40	60	261,018	-5.7	.000	-.351
Top 10%	33.0	15.9	.07	7	20	33	40	60	57,927	-7.5	.000	-.472
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
Regent (N = 381)	16.7	13.6	.69	0	5	15	25	40				
CCC&U	34.1	13.9	.19	10	25	35	45	60	5,655	-17.4	.000	-1.255
Southeast	33.2	14.9	.05	10	20	35	45	60	383	-16.6	.000	-1.112
NSSE 2017	32.4	15.0	.03	5	20	30	40	60	381	-15.8	.000	-1.050
Top 50%	35.8	13.8	.03	15	25	35	45	60	242,339	-19.1	.000	-1.390
Top 10%	37.9	13.4	.06	15	30	40	50	60	49,560	-21.2	.000	-1.581
Discussions with Diverse Others												
Regent (N = 354)	36.7	15.4	.82	10	25	40	50	60				
CCC&U	37.9	13.6	.20	15	30	40	50	60	395	-1.2	.155	-.087
Southeast	41.8	15.9	.05	15	30	40	60	60	91,587	-5.1	.000	-.322
NSSE 2017	40.3	15.8	.03	15	30	40	55	60	261,513	-3.6	.000	-.228
Top 50%	42.3	15.6	.03	15	30	40	60	60	263,111	-5.6	.000	-.358
Top 10%	44.3	15.3	.06	20	35	45	60	60	57,104	-7.5	.000	-.493

Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mean statistics			Percentile ^d scores					Comparison results			
	Mean	SD ^b	SEM ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Regent (N = 373)	14.1	12.2	.63	0	5	10	20	40				
CCC&U	26.9	14.9	.21	5	15	25	35	55	457	-12.9	.000	-.873
Southeast	24.2	16.2	.05	0	10	20	35	60	377	-10.1	.000	-.625
NSSE 2017	23.8	15.8	.03	0	10	20	35	55	374	-9.7	.000	-.612
Top 50%	29.2	15.7	.05	5	20	30	40	60	376	-15.1	.000	-.965
Top 10%	33.0	16.0	.13	10	20	30	45	60	402	-18.9	.000	-1.187
Effective Teaching Practices												
Regent (N = 377)	39.7	14.2	.73	16	28	40	52	60				
CCC&U	40.3	12.3	.17	20	32	40	48	60	419	-.6	.465	-.044
Southeast	39.6	13.9	.04	16	32	40	52	60	103,050	.1	.860	.009
NSSE 2017	39.4	13.6	.03	16	32	40	50	60	290,947	.3	.652	.023
Top 50%	41.8	13.5	.03	20	32	40	52	60	149,740	-2.0	.004	-.150
Top 10%	43.8	13.4	.08	20	36	44	56	60	30,078	-4.1	.000	-.303
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
Regent (N = 326)	45.8	12.4	.69	22	38	48	56	60				
CCC&U	44.3	11.0	.16	24	38	46	52	60	362	1.4	.043	.129
Southeast	42.0	12.5	.04	18	34	44	52	60	85,703	3.7	.000	.298
NSSE 2017	42.0	12.3	.02	20	34	44	50	60	243,815	3.8	.000	.307
Top 50%	44.8	11.6	.03	23	38	46	54	60	326	1.0	.161	.083
Top 10%	46.9	12.1	.06	23	40	50	58	60	39,192	-1.1	.092	-.094
Supportive Environment												
Regent (N = 349)	32.5	15.3	.82	8	23	30	43	60				
CCC&U	34.0	13.0	.19	13	25	35	43	58	387	-1.5	.082	-.111
Southeast	33.0	14.3	.05	10	23	33	43	60	350	-.5	.517	-.037
NSSE 2017	32.0	14.1	.03	10	23	33	40	58	348	.5	.578	.033
Top 50%	34.8	13.7	.03	13	25	35	45	60	349	-2.3	.006	-.165
Top 10%	37.2	13.6	.08	13	28	38	48	60	354	-4.7	.000	-.342

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

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.