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Report Sections

About Your Engagement Indicators Report

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

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

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 <i>within</i> 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 2018 and 2019 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, 2018). Comparisons with an effect size of at least .3 in magnitude (before rounding) are highlighted in the Overview (p. 3).

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

How Engagement Indicators are Computed

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

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

Rocconi, L.M., & Gonyea, R.M. (2018). Contextualizing effect sizes in the National Survey of Student Engagement: An empirical analysis. *Research & Practice in Assessment,* 13 (Summer/Fall), pp. 22-38.



Overview

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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.
- \triangle Your students' average was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- -- No significant difference.
- ∇ Your students' average was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- **Vour students' average** was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.

rst-Year Stud	lents	Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year student compared with
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Peers_19	SACSCOC-Aspirants	Southeast Public
	Higher-Order Learning	Δ		
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning	Δ	Δ	Δ
Challenge	Learning Strategies	Δ	Δ	Δ
	Quantitative Reasoning		Δ	
Learning with	Collaborative Learning			
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others			
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	Δ	Δ	Δ
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	Δ	Δ	Δ
Campus	Quality of Interactions			
Environment	Supportive Environment			Δ

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Theme	Engagement Indicator	Peers_19	SACSCOC-Aspirants	Southeast Public
	Higher-Order Learning	Δ	Δ	Δ
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning	Δ	Δ	Δ
Challenge	Learning Strategies	Δ	Δ	Δ
	Quantitative Reasoning			
Learning with	Collaborative Learning	Δ	Δ	Δ
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	Δ	Δ	Δ
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with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	Δ		Δ
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Academic Challenge

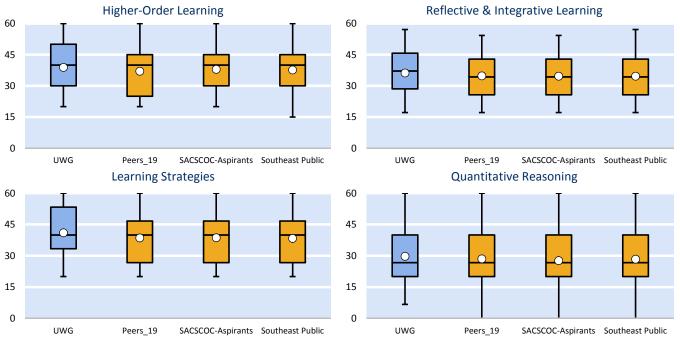
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Academic Challenge: First-year students

Challenging intellectual and creative work is central to student learning and collegiate quality. Colleges and universities promote student learning by challenging and supporting them to engage in various forms of deep learning. Four Engagement Indicators are part of this theme: *Higher-Order Learning, Reflective & Integrative Learning, Learning Strategies,* and *Quantitative Reasoning.* Below and on the next page are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

Mean Comparisons		Your first-year students compared with					
	UWG	Peers_19 Effect		SACSCOC-Aspirants Effect		Southeas	t Public Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Higher-Order Learning	38.9	37.1 **	.14	37.9	.07	37.7	.09
Reflective & Integrative Learning	36.2	34.8 *	.12	34.7 *	.13	34.7 *	.12
Learning Strategies	41.0	38.5 ***	.18	38.6 ***	.18	38.3 ***	.19
Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	28.5	.08	27.7 *	.13	28.3	.09

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Academic Challenge

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Academic Challenge: First-year students (continued)

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		Percentage point difference ^a between your FY students and			
Higher-Order Learning	UWG	Peers_19	SACSCOC- Aspirants	Southeast Public	
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized	%		.		
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	[%]	+2	+2	-1	
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	69	+4	+2	+1	
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	73	+6	+3	+5	
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	72	+5	+2	+5	
Reflective & Integrative Learning					
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"					
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	52	-1	+3	+2	
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	55	+4	+6	+7	
Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course 2c. discussions or assignments	59	+9	+9	+10	
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	69	+6	+6	+6	
2e. 2ried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	71	+0	+1	+2	
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	71	+6	+6	+6	
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	77	+2	+2	+2	
Learning Strategies					
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"					
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	77	+4	+2	+4	
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	72	+5	+3	+5	
$9_{C}.$ Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	70	+5	+5	+5	
Quantitative Reasoning					
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"					
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, 6a. graphs, statistics, etc.)	58	+8	+6	+4	
Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, 6b. climate change, public health, etc.)	43	+1	+2	+3	
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	40	-2	+1	+0	

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Academic Challenge

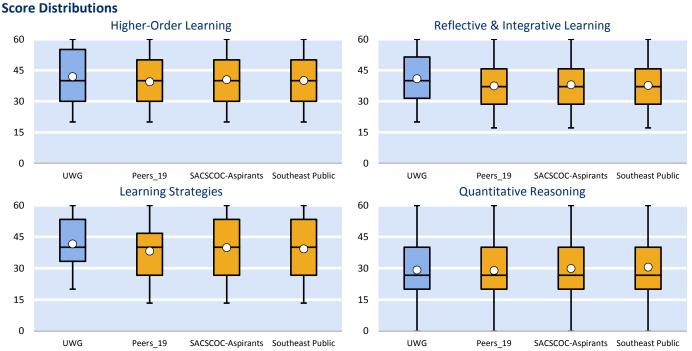
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Academic Challenge: Seniors

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Mean Comparisons		Your seniors compared with					
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Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean size	Mean size	Mean size			
Higher-Order Learning	41.9	39.5 ** .19	40.5 * .11	40.1 ** .13			
Reflective & Integrative Learning	40.9	37.4 *** .28	38.0 *** .24	37.7 *** .26			
Learning Strategies	41.6	38.2 *** .24	39.9 * .12	39.3 ** .16			
Quantitative Reasoning	29.1	28.9 .01	29.804	30.508			

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Higher-Order Learning	UWG	Peers_19	SACSCOC- Aspirants	Southeast Public
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized	%			
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	77	+0	-3	-1
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	78	+3	+1	+3
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	74	+4	+2	+5
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	74	+3	+1	+3
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	71	+2	+3	+2
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	67	+10	+4	+7
Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	61	+11	+8	+11
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	73	+8	+6	+8
2e. or her perspective	80	+8	+7	+8
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	79	+10	+9	+10
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	85	+3	+2	+3
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Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, 6a. graphs, statistics, etc.)	53	-1	-2	-4
 Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.) 	46	+5	+1	+0
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	43	+0	-2	-3

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Learning with Peers

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Learning with Peers: First-year students

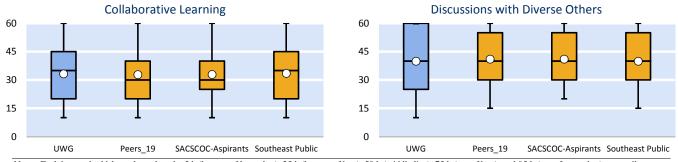
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	UWG	UWG Peers_19		SACSCOC-Aspirants		Southeast Public		
			Effect		Effect		Effect	
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Collaborative Learning	33.2	32.8	.03	32.8	.02	33.4	02	
Discussions with Diverse Others	39.8	41.0	07	41.0	08	39.9	.00	

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		Percentage point difference ^a between your FY students an				
			SACSCOC-	Southeast		
Collaborative Learning	UWG	Peers_19	Aspirants	Public		
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%					
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	58	+5	+2	+3		
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	56	-1	-3	-4		
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	57	+6	+6	+4		
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	52	-3	-1	-4		
Discussions with Diverse Others						
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with						
Ba. People of a race or ethnicity other than your own	73	-2	+0	+3		
3b. People from an economic background other than your own	74	-1	-2	+1		
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	65	-4	-3	-1		
3d. People with political views other than your own	62	-9	-10	-6		

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Learning with Peers

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Learning with Peers: Seniors

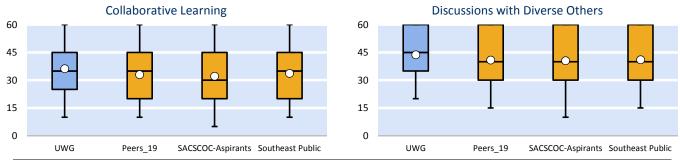
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Mean Comparisons

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	UWG	Peers_19	SACSCOC-Aspirants	Southeast Public			
		Effect	Effect	Effect			
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean size	Mean size	Mean size			
Collaborative Learning	36.2	33.0 *** .21	32.2 *** .26	33.7 *** .17			
Discussions with Diverse Others	43.7	40.9 *** .18	40.5 *** .20	41.1 ** .16			

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			SACSCOC-	Southeast	
Collaborative Learning	UWG	Peers_19	Aspirants	Public	
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%				
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	56	+11	+13	+10	
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8a. People of a race or ethnicity other than your own	82	+8	+11	+10	
3b. People from an economic background other than your own	79	+4	+4	+4	
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Experiences with Faculty

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Experiences with Faculty: First-year students

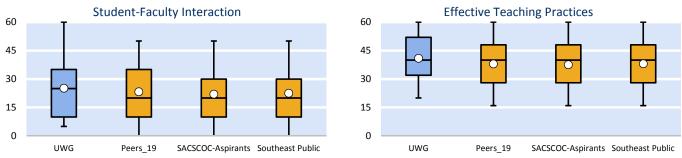
Students learn firsthand how experts think about and solve problems by interacting with faculty members inside and outside of instructional settings. As a result, faculty become role models, mentors, and guides for lifelong learning. In addition, effective teaching requires that faculty deliver course material and provide feedback in student-centered ways. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: Student-Faculty Interaction and Effective Teaching Practices. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

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	UWG	Peers_19	SACSCOC-Aspirants	Southeast Public						
		Effect	Effect	Effect						
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean size	Mean size	Mean size						
Student-Faculty Interaction	25.1	23.3 * .12	22.0 *** .21	22.5 *** .17						
Effective Teaching Practices	40.9	37.9 *** .23	37.5 *** .25	38.0 *** .21						

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3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	50	+6	+9	+8
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3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	33	+5	+5	+6
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	42	+5	+7	+8
Effective Teaching Practices				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	79	+3	+5	+3
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	70	-1	-1	-2
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	76	+2	+3	+3
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Experiences with Faculty: Seniors

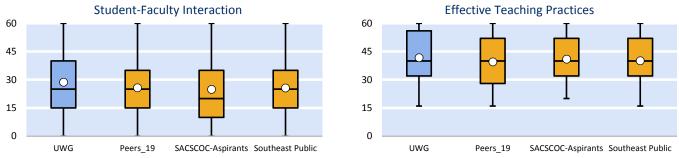
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Campus Environment

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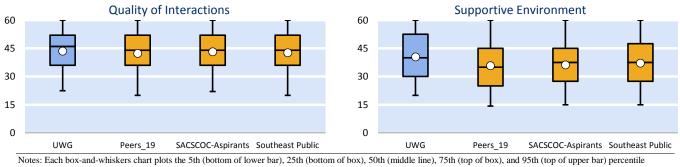
Campus Environment: First-year students

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

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Quality of Interactions	43.6	42.3 .10	43.1 .04	42.6 .08								
Supportive Environment	40.5	35.8 *** .35	36.2 *** .32	37.1 *** .25								

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Score Distributions



Performance on Indicator Items

scores. The dot represents the mean score. Refer to Detailed Statistics for your institution's sample sizes.

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

		Percentage point difference ^a between your FY students and					
			SACSCOC-	Southeast			
Quality of Interactions	UWG	Peers_19	Aspirants	Public			
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%						
13a. Students	49	+3	+2	-2			
13b. Academic advisors	54	-2	-0	-0			
13c. Faculty	55	+7	+6	+6			
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	52	+4	+2	+5			
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	50	+7	+5	+6			
Supportive Environment							
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized							
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	80	+6	+6	+3			
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	82	+6	+6	+3			
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	66	+4	+5	+5			
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	77	+7	+3	+4			
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	80	+11	+10	+8			
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	56	+15	+14	+13			
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	74	+10	+7	+4			
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	59	+11	+11	+9			

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



Campus Environment

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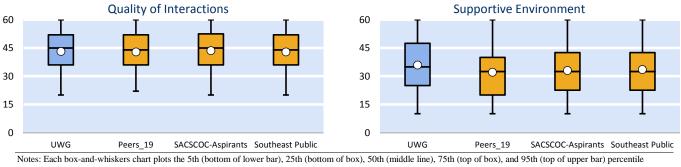
Campus Environment: Seniors

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

lean Comparisons		Your seniors compared with									
	UWG	Peers_19	SACSCOC-Aspirants	Southeast Public							
		Effect	Effect	Effect							
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean size	Mean size	Mean size							
Quality of Interactions	43.2	42.9 .02	43.604	42.9 .02							
Supportive Environment	35.9	32.1 *** .27	33.1 *** .20	33.6 ** .16							

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

Score Distributions



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Performance on Indicator Items

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		Percentage poin	your seniors and	
			SACSCOC-	Southeast
Quality of Interactions	UWG	Peers_19	Aspirants	Public
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%			
13a. Students	58	+4	+2	+0
13b. Academic advisors	54	-1	+0	+0
13c. Faculty	62	+5	+1	+5
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	49	+5	+3	+5
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	45	+1	-2	+1
Supportive Environment				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				_
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	77	+7	+5	+5
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	73	+8	+6	+5
4d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	61	+5	+3	+6
.4e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	74	+10	+7	+6
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	70	+11	+7	+6
4g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	40	+9	+6	+8
4h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	61	+10	+8	+2
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	45	+5	+4	+2

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Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions University of West Georgia

Comparisons with Top 50% and Top 10% Institutions

While NSSE's policy is not to rank institutions (see nsse.indiana.edu/links/PNP), 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 2018 and 2019 NSSE institutions, and

(b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2018 and 2019 NSSE institutions.

While the average scores for most institutions are below the mean for the top 50% or top 10%, your institution may show areas of distinction where your average student was as engaged as (or even more engaged than) the typical student at high-performing institutions. A check mark (\checkmark) signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable^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.

irst-Year	Students		Your first-year students compared with								
		UWG	NSSE 1	Гор 50%		op 10%					
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	1	Mean	Effect size	~			
	Higher-Order Learning	38.9	39.3	03	✓	41.0 **	16				
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	36.2	36.8	05	\checkmark	38.8 ***	22				
Challenge	Learning Strategies	41.0	39.9	.08	✓	42.5 *	10				
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	29.3	.03	\checkmark	30.8	07	~			
Learning	Collaborative Learning	33.2	35.4 **	16		37.7 ***	33				
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	39.8	41.3	10		43.2 ***	24				
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	25.1	24.9	.01	\checkmark	28.0 ***	19				
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	40.9	40.6	.02	\checkmark	42.7 **	13				
Campus	Quality of Interactions	43.6	44.9 *	11		47.1 ***	30				
Environment	Supportive Environment	40.5	38.1 ***	.18	\checkmark	40.1	.03	~			

Seniors				Your se	eniors o	compared with			
		UWG	NSSE	Top 50%		NSSE Top 10%			
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	\checkmark	Mean	Effect size	\checkmark	
	Higher-Order Learning	41.9	41.8	.01	\checkmark	43.0	08	\checkmark	
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	40.9	39.9	.09	\checkmark	41.6	05	\checkmark	
Challenge	Learning Strategies	41.6	40.8	.06	\checkmark	42.6	07	\checkmark	
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.1	31.3 *	13		32.7 ***	23		
Learning	Collaborative Learning	36.2	36.1	.00	1	38.6 **	18		
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	43.7	42.0 *	.11	\checkmark	43.5	.01	\checkmark	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	28.7	29.9	08	1	33.9 ***	33		
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	41.7	41.8	01	√	43.5 **	14		
Campus	Quality of Interactions	43.2	45.2 **	17		47.4 ***	35		
Environment	•	35.9	34.8	.08	\checkmark	37.0	08	\checkmark	

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

a. Precision-weighted means (produced by Hierarchical Linear Modeling) were used to determine the top 50% and top 10% institutions for each Engagement Indicator from all NSSE 2018 and 2019 institutions, separately by class. Using this method, Engagement Indicator scores of institutions with relatively large standard errors were adjusted toward the mean of all students, while those with smaller standard errors received smaller corrections. As a result, schools with less stable data—even those with high average scores—may not be among the top scorers. NSSE does not publish the names of the top 50% and top 10% institutions because of our commitment not to release institutional results and our policy against ranking institutions.

b. Check marks are assigned to comparisons that are either significant and positive, or non-significant with an effect size > -.10.



Detailed Statistics^a University of West Georgia

Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	in statisti	cs		Perce	ntile ^d sco	ores		Comparison results			
		SD ^b	SE ^c			50.4		0.5.1	Deg. of	Mean	c:- f	Effect
Academic Challenge	Mean	SD	SE	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Higher-Order Learning												
UWG (N = 412)	38.9	13.6	.67	20	30	40	50	60				
Peers_19	37.1	13.0	.28	20 20	25	40	45	60	2,621	1.8	.009	.140
SACSCOC-Aspirants	37.1	13.1	.28	20 20	23 30	40	45 45	60	3,528	1.0	.166	.073
Southeast Public	37.9	13.5	.07	15	30	40	45	60	36,212	1.0	.062	.073
Top 50%	39.3	13.0	.07	15 20	30	40	43 50	60	102,879	4	.502	033
Top 10%	41.0	13.0	.04	20 20	35	40	50	60	26,952	-2.1	.001	161
Reflective & Integrative Learnin	g											
UWG (N = 446)	36.2	12.2	.58	17	29	37	46	57				
Peers_19	34.8	11.7	.24	17	26	34	43	54	2,838	1.4	.024	.117
SACSCOC-Aspirants	34.7	11.7	.20	17	26	34	43	54	3,800	1.5	.012	.127
Southeast Public	34.7	12.2	.06	17	26	34	43	57	39,341	1.5	.010	.123
Top 50%	36.8	11.8	.04	17	29	37	46	57	103,602	6	.267	053
Top 10%	38.8	11.8	.08	20	31	40	46	60	21,899	-2.6	.000	220
Learning Strategies												
UWG (N = 399)	41.0	14.1	.70	20	33	40	53	60				
Peers_19	38.5	13.7	.30	20	27	40	47	60	2,509	2.5	.001	.183
SACSCOC-Aspirants	38.6	13.5	.25	20	27	40	47	60	3,367	2.4	.001	.180
Southeast Public	38.3	13.8	.08	20	27	40	47	60	34,183	2.7	.000	.195
Top 50%	39.9	13.7	.05	20	33	40	53	60	88,931	1.2	.091	.085
Top 10%	42.5	14.0	.10	20	33	40	53	60	20,639	-1.5	.040	104
Quantitative Reasoning												
UWG (N = 408)	29.7	16.2	.80	7	20	27	40	60				
Peers_19	28.5	15.2	.33	0	20	27	40	60	2,536	1.2	.144	.079
SACSCOC-Aspirants	27.7	15.7	.29	0	20	27	40	60	3,403	2.1	.013	.131
Southeast Public	28.3	15.5	.08	0	20	27	40	60	34,842	1.4	.069	.090
Top 50%	29.3	15.2	.05	7	20	27	40	60	107,852	.5	.541	.030
Top 10%	30.8	15.2	.09	7	20	33	40	60	29,283	-1.0	.168	069
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
UWG (N = 467)	33.2	15.5	.72	10	20	35	45	60				
Peers_19	32.8	14.2	.28	10	20	30	40	60	621	.4	.602	.028
SACSCOC-Aspirants	32.8	14.0	.24	10	25	30	40	60	571	.3	.649	.024
Southeast Public	33.4	14.3	.07	10	20	35	45	60	475	2	.731	017
Top 50%	35.4	13.7	.04	15	25	35	45	60	469	-2.2	.002	162
Top 10%	37.7	13.6	.09	15	30	40	50	60	480	-4.5	.000	328
Discussions with Diverse Others												
UWG (N = 404)	39.8	17.0	.84	10	25	40	60	60				
Peers_19	41.0	15.6	.34	15	30	40	55	60	539	-1.1	.211	072
SACSCOC-Aspirants	41.0	15.0	.27	20	30	40	55	60	492	-1.2	.192	076
Southeast Public	39.9	15.7	.09	15	30	40	55	60	411	1	.932	005
Top 50%	41.3	14.9	.05	20	30	40	55	60	405	-1.5	.075	101
	43.2	14.4	.09	20	35	40	60	60	413	-3.4	.000	236



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Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	n statisti	cs	Percentile ^d scores				Comparison results				
									Deg. of Mean			Effec
	Mean	SD ^b	SE ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size
xperiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
UWG (N = 428)	25.1	15.9	.77	5	10	25	35	60				
Peers_19	23.3	14.8	.31	0	10	20	35	50	575	1.8	.029	.12
SACSCOC-Aspirants	22.0	14.6	.26	0	10	20	30	50	527	3.1	.000	.210
Southeast Public	22.5	14.9	.08	0	10	20	30	50	436	2.6	.001	.174
Top 50%	24.9	14.8	.06	5	15	20	35	55	432	.2	.839	.01
Top 10%	28.0	15.5	.15	5	15	25	40	60	11,370	-2.9	.000	18
Effective Teaching Practices												
UWG (N = 417)	40.9	12.8	.63	20	32	40	52	60				
Peers_19	37.9	12.8	.27	16	28	40	48	60	2,615	2.9	.000	.230
SACSCOC-Aspirants	37.5	13.2	.24	16	28	40	48	60	3,511	3.3	.000	.25
Southeast Public	38.0	13.5	.07	16	28	40	48	60	36,131	2.9	.000	.21
Top 50%	40.6	13.2	.05	20	32	40	52	60	78,031	.3	.700	.01
Top 10%	42.7	14.0	.10	20	32	44	56	60	437	-1.8	.004	13
ampus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
UWG (N = 383)	43.6	12.0	.61	23	36	46	52	60				
Peers_19	42.3	12.3	.27	20	36	44	52	60	2,389	1.2	.076	.09
SACSCOC-Aspirants	43.1	11.6	.22	22	36	44	52	60	3,127	.4	.518	.03
Southeast Public	42.6	12.1	.07	20	36	44	52	60	32,286	.9	.139	.07
Top 50%	44.9	11.4	.04	24	38	46	54	60	71,769	-1.3	.025	11
Top 10%	47.1	11.8	.09	24	40	50	58	60	18,360	-3.5	.000	30
Supportive Environment												
UWG (N = 393)	40.5	13.4	.67	20	30	40	53	60				
Peers_19	35.8	13.4	.30	14	25	35	45	60	2,430	4.7	.000	.34
SACSCOC-Aspirants	36.2	13.1	.24	15	28	38	45	60	3,251	4.2	.000	.32
Southeast Public	37.1	13.5	.07	15	28	38	48	60	33,066	3.4	.000	.25
Top 50%	38.1	13.2	.05	18	30	40	48	60	85,617	2.4	.000	.17
Top 10%	40.1	13.2	.10	18	30	40	50	60	17,705	.4	.533	.03

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 SE)

is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

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

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

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

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



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Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mean statistics				Perce	ntile ^d sco	ores	Comparison results				
		an h	0.5 (Deg. of	Mean	er f	Effect
Academic Challenge	Mean	SD ^b	SE ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Higher-Order Learning												
•	41.0	14.1	71	20	30	40	55	(0)				
UWG (N = 391)	41.9		.71 .24	20			55 50	60	483	25	.001	105
Peers_19 SACSCOC-Aspirants	39.5 40.5	13.3 13.4	.24 .18	20 20	30 30	40 40	50 50	60 60	483 443	2.5 1.5	.001	.185 .109
Southeast Public	40.3	13.4	.18	20 20	30 30	40 40	50 50	60 60	443 56,286	1.5	.048	.105
		13.9	.00		30	40 40	50 55			.2		
Top 50% Top 10%	41.8 43.0	13.5	.04 .07	20 20	35 35	40 40	55 55	60 60	134,542 37,064	.2 -1.1	.808 .112	.012 081
_		15.5	.07	20	55	10	55	00	57,001	1.1		.001
Reflective & Integrative Learnin	-	10.0	<i>c</i> 1	20	21	10	~ 1	C 0				
UWG (N = 410)	40.9	12.9	.64	20	31	40	51	60	2 4 1 2			
Peers_19	37.4	12.5	.22	17	29	37	46	60	3,643	3.5	.000	.279
SACSCOC-Aspirants	38.0	12.5	.17	17	29	37	46	60	6,036	3.0	.000	.235
Southeast Public	37.7	12.7	.05	17	29	37	46	60	59,666	3.2	.000	.255
Top 50%	39.9	12.2	.03	20	31	40	49	60	412	1.0	.103	.086
Top 10%	41.6	12.2	.08	20	34	40	51	60	25,095	7	.275	054
Learning Strategies												
UWG (N = 378)	41.6	14.3	.74	20	33	40	53	60				
Peers_19	38.2	14.6	.27	13	27	40	47	60	3,339	3.5	.000	.239
SACSCOC-Aspirants	39.9	14.4	.20	13	27	40	53	60	5,563	1.8	.020	.124
Southeast Public	39.3	14.6	.06	13	27	40	53	60	53,797	2.4	.002	.163
Top 50%	40.8	14.4	.04	20	33	40	53	60	140,677	.8	.252	.059
Top 10%	42.6	14.3	.07	20	33	40	60	60	45,234	-1.0	.196	067
Quantitative Reasoning												
UWG (N = 374)	29.1	17.6	.91	0	20	27	40	60				
Peers_19	28.9	16.0	.29	0	20	27	40	60	453	.2	.826	.013
SACSCOC-Aspirants	29.8	15.8	.22	0	20	27	40	60	417	7	.459	043
Southeast Public	30.5	16.3	.07	0	20	27	40	60	377	-1.4	.139	083
Top 50%	31.3	16.0	.04	7	20	33	40	60	374	-2.1	.019	134
Top 10%	32.7	15.8	.07	7	20	33	40	60	378	-3.6	.000	227
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Learning with Peers Collaborative Learning												
UWG (N = 429)	36.2	15.2	.73	10	25	35	45	60				
Peers_19	33.0	14.9	.26	10	20	35	45	60	3,754	3.2	.000	.212
SACSCOC-Aspirants	32.2	15.3	.20	5	20	30	45	60	6,267	4.0	.000	.262
Southeast Public	33.7	15.1	.06	10	20	35	45	60	62,366	2.5	.000	.166
Top 50%	36.1	14.0	.00	15	25	35	45	60	430	.1	.935	.004
Top 10%	38.6	13.5	.04	15	30	40	43 50	60	441	-2.4	.001	180
Discussions with Diverse Others $UWC_{1}(N = 286)$		140	75	20	25	15	<i>c</i> 0	60				
UWG (N = 386)	43.7	14.8	.75	20	35 30	45 40	60 60	60	2 267	20	001	100
Peers_19	40.9	15.9	.29	15	30 20			60	3,367	2.8	.001	.180
SACSCOC-Aspirants	40.5	16.5	.23	10	30	40	60	60	5,582	3.2	.000	.195
Southeast Public	41.1	16.0	.07	15	30 20	40	60	60	54,137	2.6	.001	.165
Top 50%	42.0	15.6	.04	15	30 25	40	60	60	171,628	1.7	.037	.106
Top 10%	43.5	15.4	.07	20	35	45	60	60	45,688	.2	.834	.011



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Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mean statistics				Perce	ntile ^d sco	ores	Comparison results				
		SD ^b	SE ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
	Mean											
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
UWG (N = 392)	28.7	17.5	.88	0	15	25	40	60				
Peers_19	25.7	16.2	.29	0	15	25	35	60	479	3.0	.001	.182
SACSCOC-Aspirants	24.8	16.3	.22	0	10	20	35	60	441	3.9	.000	.23
Southeast Public	25.6	16.4	.07	0	15	25	35	60	396	3.1	.000	.19
Top 50%	29.9	15.9	.06	5	20	30	40	60	395	-1.2	.178	07
Top 10%	33.9	15.8	.15	10	20	35	45	60	415	-5.2	.000	33
Effective Teaching Practices												
UWG (N = 391)	41.7	14.0	.71	16	32	40	56	60				
Peers_19	39.4	14.0	.25	16	28	40	52	60	3,479	2.2	.003	.16
SACSCOC-Aspirants	40.9	13.6	.18	20	32	40	52	60	5,761	.8	.258	.05
Southeast Public	40.0	14.0	.06	16	32	40	52	60	56,293	1.6	.022	.11
Top 50%	41.8	13.6	.04	20	32	40	52	60	112,350	1	.882	00
Top 10%	43.5	13.5	.08	20	36	44	56	60	31,052	-1.9	.007	13
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
UWG (N = 364)	43.2	11.8	.62	20	36	45	52	60				
Peers_19	42.9	12.0	.23	22	36	44	52	60	3,149	.3	.660	.02
SACSCOC-Aspirants	43.6	11.9	.17	20	36	45	53	60	5,203	4	.492	03
Southeast Public	42.9	12.2	.05	20	36	44	52	60	50,206	.3	.648	.02
Top 50%	45.2	11.8	.03	23	38	48	54	60	124,933	-2.0	.001	16
Top 10%	47.4	12.0	.06	24	40	50	58	60	41,147	-4.2	.000	35
Supportive Environment												
UWG (N = 368)	35.9	14.5	.76	10	25	35	48	60				
Peers_19	32.1	14.2	.26	10	20	33	40	60	3,280	3.8	.000	.26
SACSCOC-Aspirants	33.1	14.1	.20	10	23	33	43	60	5,464	2.8	.000	.20
Southeast Public	33.6	14.2	.06	10	23	33	43	60	52,447	2.3	.002	.16
Top 50%	34.8	13.9	.04	13	25	35	45	60	121,225	1.1	.117	.08
Top 10%	37.0	14.0	.09	13	28	38	48	60	23,328	-1.1	.149	07

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 SE)

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.