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**Report Sections** 

#### **About This Report**

# 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

Displays how average EI scores for your students compare with those of students at your comparison Overview (p. 3) group institutions. Detailed views of EI scores within the four themes for your students and those at comparison group Theme Reports (pp. 4-13) 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-Comparisons of your students' average scores on each EI with those of students at institutions whose Performing Institutions (p. 15) 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

Rocconi, L., & Gonyea, R. M. (2015, May). Contextualizing student engagement effect sizes: An empirical analysis. Paper presented at the Association for Institutional Research Annual Forum, Denver, CO.



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:

- **A** 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.
- $\nabla$  Your students' average was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
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Theme	Engagement Indicator	Southeast Public	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2016 & 2017
	Higher-Order Learning			
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning	$\nabla$	$\nabla$	$\nabla$
Challenge	Learning Strategies	$\mathbf{\Delta}$	Δ	Δ
	Quantitative Reasoning			
Learning with	Collaborative Learning			
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	$\bullet$		$\bullet$
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction			
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	$\bullet$		▼
Campus	Quality of Interactions			
Environment	Supportive Environment			

#### Seniors

cillors		Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with	h Your seniors compared with
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Southeast Public	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2016 & 2017
	Higher-Order Learning			
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning			
Challenge	Learning Strategies			
	Quantitative Reasoning			
Learning with	Collaborative Learning			Δ
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	$\blacksquare$		
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Academic Challenge

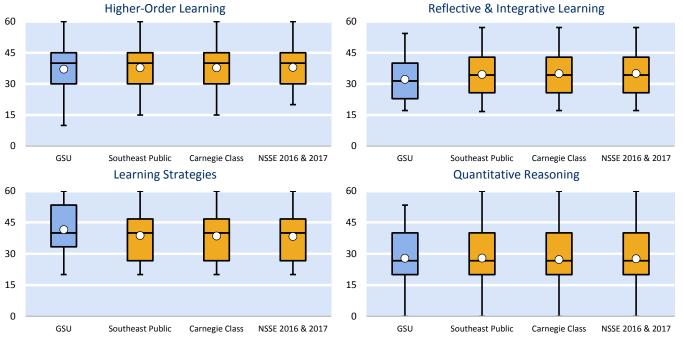
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# Academic Challenge: First-year students

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					
	GSU			NSSE 2016 & 2017 Effect			
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Effect Mean size	Effect Mean size	Mean size			
Higher-Order Learning	37.1	37.805	37.805	37.906			
Reflective & Integrative Learning	32.2	34.6 *20	35.0 **23	35.0 **24			
Learning Strategies	41.6	38.7 * .21	38.5 * .22	38.3 ** .24			
Quantitative Reasoning	27.9	27.9 .00	27.2 .04	27.6 .02			

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Academic Challenge

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# Academic Challenge: First-year students (continued)

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		Percentage point	t difference between you	r FY students and
Higher-Order Learning	GSU	Southeast Public	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2016 & 2017
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized	%			<u>,</u>
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	68	-3	-2	-4
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	65	-5	-4	-5
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	70	+2	+1	+2
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	66	-1	-2	-2
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	42	-7	-9	-10
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	46	-4	-6	-6
Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	46	-4	-5	-5
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	57	-6	-6	-6
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	63	-5	-6	-6
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	63	-1	-3	-3
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	66	-9	-10	-10
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	74	-1	-3	-2
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	80	+13	+14	+15
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	72	+8	+9	+9
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.)	55	+1	+3	+2
Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, 6b. climate change, public health, etc.)	44	+5	+5	+5
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	38	-1	+1	-0

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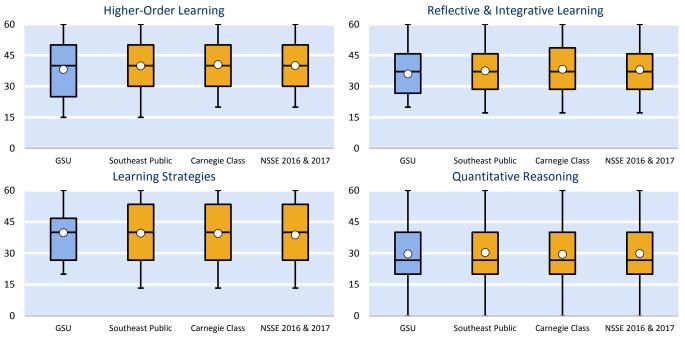
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Mean Comparisons	Your seniors compared with										
	GSU	Southeast Public				Carnegie Class				NSSE 20	)16 & 2017
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size				
Higher-Order Learning	38.2	39.9	12	40.5	17	40.0	13				
Reflective & Integrative Learning	36.1	37.5	12	38.3	18	38.0	16				
Learning Strategies	39.8	39.5	.02	39.4	.02	38.7	.07				
Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	30.3	04	29.5	.01	29.9	01				

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Higher-Order Learning	GSU	Southeast Public	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2016 & 2017
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized		Tublic	Carriegie class	2017
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	% 71	-8	-8	-7
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	65	-10	-11	-11
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4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	69	+1	-3	-1
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	68	-2	-5	-4
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	52	-17	-16	-17
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	59	-1	-4	-3
Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	52	+2	-3	-1
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	65	+0	-2	-1
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	70	-2	-3	-2
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2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	77	-5	-7	-6
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Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	75	-4	-6	-5
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Quantitative Reasoning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	55	-3	+0	-1
Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, 6b. climate change, public health, etc.)	47	+2	+3	+3
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	46	+1	+3	+2

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**Learning with Peers** 

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### **Learning with Peers: First-year students**

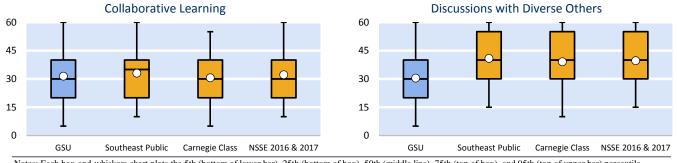
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### Mean Comparisons

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	GSU	Southeast Public		Carnegie Class		NSSE 2016 & 2017		
			Effect		Effect		Effect	
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Collaborative Learning	31.4	33.1	12	30.6	.06	32.2	05	
Discussions with Diverse Others	30.4	40.8 ***	67	39.0 ***	54	39.7 ***	60	

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		Percentage point difference between your FY student		
		Southeast		NSSE 2016 &
Collaborative Learning	GSU	Public	Carnegie Class	2017
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	42	-12	-7	-11
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	50	-10	-4	-7
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	54	+3	+8	+5
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	54	+0	+3	+1
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	41	-32	-28	-30
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	51	-22	-18	-20
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	44	-25	-22	-23
3d. People with political views other than your own	49	-22	-18	-19

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**Learning with Peers** 

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### **Learning with Peers: Seniors**

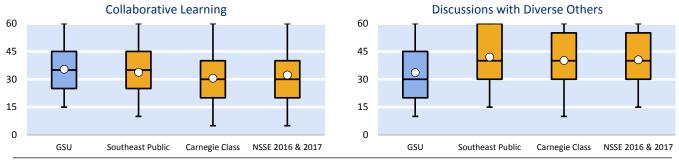
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	GSU	Southeast Public		Carnegie Class		NSSE 2016 & 2017	
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Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Collaborative Learning	35.4	33.7	.11	30.6 **	.30	32.3 *	.21
Discussions with Diverse Others	33.6	42.0 ***	53	40.2 ***	40	40.5 ***	43

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		Southeast		NSSE 2016 &
Collaborative Learning	GSU	Public	Carnegie Class	2017
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	47	+1	+8	+4
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	60	-2	+5	+1
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**Experiences with Faculty** 

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### **Experiences with Faculty: First-year students**

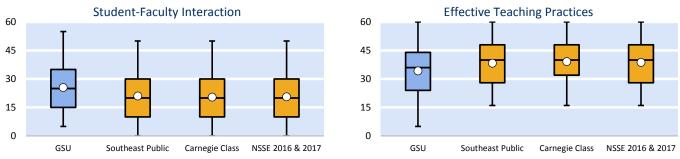
Students learn firsthand how experts think about and solve problems by interacting with faculty members inside and outside of instructional settings. As a result, faculty become role models, mentors, and guides for lifelong learning. In addition, effective teaching requires that faculty deliver course 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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Mean Comparisons		Your first-year students compared with					
	GSU	Southeast Public Effect	Carnegie Class Effect	NSSE 2016 & 2017 Effect			
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean size	Mean size	Mean size			
Student-Faculty Interaction	25.5	21.0 *** .30	20.4 *** .35	20.6 *** .34			
Effective Teaching Practices	34.3	38.3 **30	39.1 ***37	38.7 ***34			

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		Southeast		NSSE 2016 &
Student-Faculty Interaction	GSU	Public	Carnegie Class	2017
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	51	+14	+16	+16
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	29	+8	+9	+9
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	33	+8	+8	+8
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	48	+18	+19	+19
Effective Teaching Practices				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	64	-13	-14	-14
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	58	-16	-18	-18
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	61	-13	-13	-13
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	56	-7	-10	-8
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	50	-8	-12	-10

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# **Experiences with Faculty Grambling State University**

### **Experiences with Faculty: Seniors**

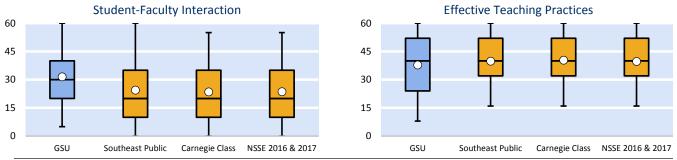
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Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean size	Mean size	Mean size
Student-Faculty Interaction	31.5	24.4 *** .44	23.5 *** .50	23.6 *** .50
Effective Teaching Practices	37.7	39.815	40.319	39.614

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3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	40	+7	+9	+8
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	58	+23	+23	+25
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**Campus Environment** 

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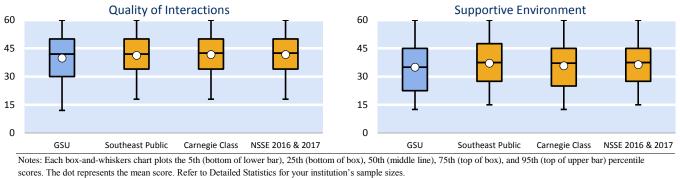
# **Campus Environment: First-year students**

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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	GSU	Southe	ast Public	Carne	gie Class	NSSE 20	16 & 2017
			Effect		Effect		Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	39.8	41.3	12	41.7	15	41.7	16
Supportive Environment	35.0	37.1	16	35.7	05	36.3	10

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#### **Score Distributions**



#### **Performance<sup>a</sup> on Indicator Items**

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		Percent	Percentage point difference between your FY students and					
			NSSE 201					
Quality of Interactions	GSU	Publ	ic	Carne	ie Class	20	017	
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from $l="Poor"$ to $7="Excellent"$ ) with	%							
13a. Students	52	+1		+1	)		-0	
13b. Academic advisors	41		-8		-8		-8	
13c. Faculty	41		-5		-8		-8	
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	42	- (	-1		-2		-2	
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	39	6	-1		-5		-3	
Supportive Environment								
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized								
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	63		-13		-12		-13	
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	61		-16		-14		-15	
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	52		-10		-9		-10	
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	64		-9		-5		-7	
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	58		-15		-10		-12	
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	44	+1		+1	)	+1	)	
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	69		-1	+8		+4	1	
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	58	+6		+8		+7		

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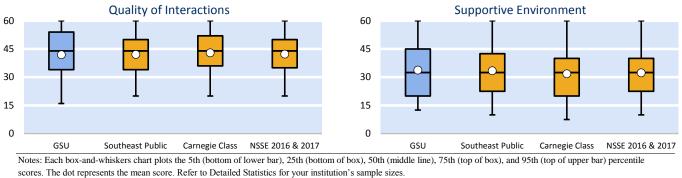
# **Campus Environment: Seniors**

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.

Mean Comparisons				Your seniors co	mpared with			
	GSU	Southe	ast Public	Carne	gie Class	NSSE 20	16 & 2017	
			Effect		Effect		Effect	
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Quality of Interactions	41.9	42.1	01	43.0	08	42.3	02	
Supportive Environment	33.8	33.5	.02	31.8	.13	32.3	.10	

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		Percentage po	int difference between yo	our seniors and
		Southeast		NSSE 2016 &
Quality of Interactions	GSU	Public	Carnegie Class	2017
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from $l="Poor"$ to $7="Excellent"$ ) with	%			
13a. Students	59	+0	+0	+1
13b. Academic advisors	54	+4	+1	+3
13c. Faculty	47	-9	-13	-10
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	42	<b>:</b> -0	-2	+1
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	33	-6	-12	-8
Supportive Environment				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
4b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	53	-18	-19	-18
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	44	-21	-21	-21
4d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	54	-1	-1	+0
.4e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	64	-4	+2	-0
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	59	-6	+0	-1
4g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	43	+12	+11	+12
4h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	66	+6	+18	+13
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	60	+16	+19	+17

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# Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions Grambling State University

# 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<sup>a</sup> 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  $(\checkmark)$  signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable<sup>b</sup> 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			Your first-year stude	ents compared with	1	
		GSU	NSSE T	Гор 50%	NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size 🗸	Mean	Effect size	$\checkmark$
	Higher-Order Learning	37.1	39.2	16	41.2 **	30	
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	32.2	36.6 ***	37	38.3 ***	50	
Challenge	Learning Strategies	41.6	39.8	.13 🗸	41.9	03	$\checkmark$
	Quantitative Reasoning	27.9	28.8	06 🗸	30.4 *	17	
Learning	Collaborative Learning	31.4	35.2 ***	28	37.1 ***	42	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	30.4	41.7 ***	76	43.8 ***	92	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	25.5	23.8	.11 🗸	27.3	12	
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	34.3	40.7 ***	49	42.6 ***	61	
Campus	Quality of Interactions	39.8	43.8 **	35	46.1 ***	53	
Environment	Supportive Environment	35.0	38.2 *	24	40.0 ***	38	

Seniors				Your senic	ors compared with		
		GSU	NSSE T	op 50%	NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size 🗸	Mean	Effect size	$\checkmark$
	Higher-Order Learning	38.2	41.8 **	27	43.3 ***	37	
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	36.1	40.0 ***	32	42.0 ***	49	
Challenge	Learning Strategies	39.8	40.7	07 🗸	42.9 *	22	
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	31.1	09 🗸	33.0 *	21	
Learning	Collaborative Learning	35.4	35.8	03 🗸	37.9	19	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	33.6	42.3 ***	56	44.3 ***	70	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	31.5	29.2	.14 🗸	33.0	10	$\checkmark$
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	37.7	41.8 *	30	43.8 ***	46	
Campus	Quality of Interactions	41.9	44.8	24	46.9 **	41	
Environment	Supportive Environment	33.8	34.8	07 🗸	37.2 *	25	

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 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<sup>a</sup> Grambling State University

# **Detailed Statistics: First-year students**

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	Mea	n statist	ics		Perce	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores			mparison	results	
	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom <sup>e</sup>	Mean diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	Effect size <sup>g</sup>
Academic Challenge	Weam	50	JEIWI	501	2501	5011	7501	3501	Jiccuom	uŋj.	Jig.	5/20
Higher-Order Learning												
GSU (N = 153)	37.1	15.0	1.21	10	30	40	45	60				
Southeast Public	37.8	13.5	.08	15	30	40	45	60	29,331	7	.551	048
Carnegie Class	37.8	13.4	.07	15	30	40	45	60	40,370	6	.552	048
NSSE 2016 & 2017	37.9	13.3	.04	20	30	40	45	60	153	8	.502	062
Top 50%	39.2	13.1	.05	20	30	40	50	60	153	-2.0	.095	156
Top 10%	41.2	13.3	.11	20	35	40	50	60	155	-4.0	.001	303
Reflective & Integrative Learnin	ng											
GSU (N = 168)	32.2	11.2	.87	17	23	31	40	54				
Southeast Public	34.6	12.2	.07	17	26	34	43	57	30,729	-2.4	.011	196
Carnegie Class	35.0	12.0	.06	17	26	34	43	57	42,043	-2.8	.003	230
NSSE 2016 & 2017	35.0	12.0	.03	17	26	34	43	57	146,042	-2.9	.002	238
Top 50%	36.6	12.0	.04	17	29	37	46	57	74,459	-4.4	.000	367
Top 10%	38.3	12.3	.10	20	29	37	46	60	16,289	-6.1	.000	496
Learning Strategies												
GSU (N = 117)	41.6	13.1	1.22	20	33	40	53	60				
Southeast Public	38.7	13.8	.09	20	27	40	47	60	25,633	2.8	.026	.206
Carnegie Class	38.5	13.8	.07	20	27	40	47	60	36,048	3.1	.016	.222
NSSE 2016 & 2017	38.3	13.7	.04	20	27	40	47	60	124,862	3.3	.009	.241
Top 50%	39.8	13.7	.06	20	27	40	53	60	61,709	1.7	.169	.127
Top 10%	41.9	14.1	.11	20	33	40	53	60	15,639	4	.781	026
Quantitative Reasoning												
GSU (N = 148)	27.9	15.0	1.23	0	20	27	40	53				
Southeast Public	27.9	15.6	.09	0	20	27	40	60	29,127	.0	.994	001
Carnegie Class	27.2	15.4	.08	0	20	27	40	60	40,184	.7	.596	.044
NSSE 2016 & 2017	27.6	15.4	.04	0	20	27	40	60	139,699	.3	.820	.019
Top 50%	28.8	15.2	.05	0	20	27	40	60	86,135	-1.0	.443	063
Top 10%	30.4	15.2	.11	7	20	27	40	60	21,111	-2.5	.043	167
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
GSU (N = 176)	31.4	14.3	1.08	5	20	30	40	60				
Southeast Public	33.1	14.1	.08	10	20	35	40	60	32,146	-1.7	.114	119
Carnegie Class	30.6	14.9	.07	5	20	30	40	55	43,520	.8	.466	.055
NSSE 2016 & 2017	32.2	14.5	.04	10	20	30	40	60	151,394	8	.475	054
Top 50%	35.2	13.6	.05	15	25	35	45	60	86,607	-3.8	.000	280
Top 10%	37.1	13.4	.09	15	25	40	45	60	21,343	-5.7	.000	424
Discussions with Diverse Others	S											
GSU (N = 121)	30.4	15.7	1.42	5	20	30	40	60				
Southeast Public	40.8	15.6	.10	15	30	40	55	60	25,906	-10.4	.000	669
Carnegie Class	39.0	15.9	.08	10	30	40	55	60	36,369	-8.6	.000	540
NSSE 2016 & 2017	39.7	15.5	.04	15	30	40	55	60	126,000	-9.3	.000	597
Top 50%	41.7	14.9	.05	20	30	40	55	60	78,977	-11.3	.000	760
Top 10%	43.8	14.5	.11	20	35	45	60	60	18,668	-13.4	.000	922



# Detailed Statistics<sup>a</sup> Grambling State University

# **Detailed Statistics: First-year students**

	Mea	n statist	ics		Perce	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores		Comparison results Deg. of Mean Effe				
			<u> </u>						Deg. of	Mean			
	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom <sup>e</sup>	diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	size	
Experiences with Faculty													
Student-Faculty Interaction													
GSU (N = 157)	25.5	15.5	1.23	5	15	25	35	55					
Southeast Public	21.0	14.7	.09	0	10	20	30	50	29,865	4.5	.000	.303	
Carnegie Class	20.4	14.5	.07	0	10	20	30	50	40,991	5.1	.000	.349	
NSSE 2016 & 2017	20.6	14.5	.04	0	10	20	30	50	142,436	4.9	.000	.33	
Top 50%	23.8	14.7	.07	0	15	20	35	55	49,946	1.7	.154	.114	
Top 10%	27.3	15.6	.18	5	15	25	40	60	8,079	-1.8	.154	11	
Effective Teaching Practices													
GSU (N = 155)	34.3	15.7	1.26	5	24	36	44	60					
Southeast Public	38.3	13.3	.08	16	28	40	48	60	155	-4.1	.002	30	
Carnegie Class	39.1	13.2	.07	16	32	40	48	60	155	-4.9	.000	36	
NSSE 2016 & 2017	38.7	13.1	.03	16	28	40	48	60	154	-4.4	.001	33	
Top 50%	40.7	13.0	.05	20	32	40	52	60	155	-6.4	.000	49	
Top 10%	42.6	13.6	.12	20	36	44	56	60	157	-8.3	.000	61	
Campus Environment													
Quality of Interactions													
GSU (N = 118)	39.8	14.2	1.31	12	30	42	50	60					
Southeast Public	41.3	12.6	.08	18	34	42	50	60	118	-1.5	.257	11	
Carnegie Class	41.7	12.6	.07	18	34	43	50	60	117	-1.9	.146	15	
NSSE 2016 & 2017	41.7	12.4	.04	18	34	43	50	60	117	-1.9	.141	15	
Top 50%	43.8	11.5	.05	22	38	46	52	60	117	-4.0	.003	34	
Top 10%	46.1	11.7	.12	24	40	48	56	60	119	-6.2	.000	53	
Supportive Environment													
GSU (N = 106)	35.0	14.3	1.40	13	23	35	45	60					
Southeast Public	37.1	13.6	.09	15	28	38	48	60	23,690	-2.1	.110	15	
Carnegie Class	35.7	13.8	.08	13	25	37	45	60	33,571	7	.595	05	
NSSE 2016 & 2017	36.3	13.6	.04	15	28	38	45	60	116,408	-1.3	.319	09	
Top 50%	38.2	13.1	.05	18	30	40	48	60	63,419	-3.2	.012	24	
Top 10%	40.0	13.0	.11	18	31	40	50	60	15,150	-5.0	.000	38	

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<sup>a</sup> Grambling State University

# **Detailed Statistics: Seniors**

	Mea	n statist	ics		Perce	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores		Co	mparison	results	
		h							Deg. of	Mean	- f	Effect
Academic Challenge	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom <sup>e</sup>	diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	size <sup>g</sup>
Higher-Order Learning												
GSU (N = 99)	38.2	15.6	1.57	15	25	40	50	60				
Southeast Public				15	25 20	40 40	50 50		15 800	17	224	100
	39.9	13.9	.07	15	30			60	45,802	-1.7	.224	122
Carnegie Class	40.5	13.7	.05	20	30	40	50	60	70,580	-2.3	.100	165
NSSE 2016 & 2017	40.0	13.7	.03	20	30 25	40	50	60	98	-1.8	.245	134
Top 50%	41.8	13.5	.04	20	35	40	55 55	60	90,377	-3.6	.008	268
Top 10%	43.3	13.4	.08	20	35	40	55	60	26,787	-5.0	.000	374
Reflective & Integrative Learning	ng											
GSU (N = 107)	36.1	12.9	1.25	20	27	37	46	60				
Southeast Public	37.5	12.7	.06	17	29	37	46	60	47,418	-1.5	.227	117
Carnegie Class	38.3	12.6	.05	17	29	37	49	60	72,814	-2.2	.065	178
NSSE 2016 & 2017	38.0	12.6	.03	17	29	37	46	60	235,057	-2.0	.105	157
Top 50%	40.0	12.3	.04	20	31	40	49	60	93,138	-4.0	.001	321
Top 10%	42.0	12.2	.09	20	34	43	51	60	19,465	-5.9	.000	486
Learning Strategies												
GSU (N = 91)	39.8	13.3	1.39	20	27	40	47	60				
Southeast Public	39.5	14.6	.07	13	27	40	53	60	41,105	.2	.881	.016
Carnegie Class	39.4	14.5	.06	13	27	40	53	60	64,531	.3	.828	.023
NSSE 2016 & 2017	38.7	14.5	.03	13	27	40	53	60	207,100	1.0	.497	.071
Top 50%	40.7	14.4	.04	20	33	40	53	60	109,077	-1.0	.521	067
Top 10%	42.9	14.3	.08	20	33	40	60	60	31,846	-3.1	.038	218
Quantitative Reasoning												
GSU (N = 104)	29.7	15.0	1.47	0	20	27	40	60				
Southeast Public	30.3	15.0	.08	0	20 20	27	40	60	45,637	6	.697	038
Carnegie Class	29.5	16.3	.08	0	20 20	27	40	60	43,037 70,356	0	.097	.038
NSSE 2016 & 2017	29.5	16.3	.00	0	20 20	27	40	60	227,058	.2 2	.896	013
						33			· · · · · ·	2 -1.5		
Top 50%	31.1	16.2	.04 .09	0 7	20 20		40 40	60	137,548		.348	092
Top 10%	33.0	15.9	.09	/	20	33	40	60	30,475	-3.3	.033	210
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
GSU (N = 110)	35.4	13.9	1.32	15	25	35	45	60				
Southeast Public	33.7	14.8	.07	10	25	35	45	60	48,744	1.7	.241	.112
Carnegie Class	30.6	15.8	.06	5	20	30	40	60	74,140	4.8	.001	.305
NSSE 2016 & 2017	32.3	15.1	.03	5	20	30	40	60	240,257	3.1	.030	.208
Top 50%	35.8	13.8	.04	15	25	35	45	60	127,687	4	.752	030
Top 10%	37.9	13.4	.08	15	30	40	50	60	26,062	-2.5	.052	186
Discussions with Diverse Other	S											
GSU (N = 92)	33.6	15.7	1.64	10	20	30	45	60				
Southeast Public	42.0	15.8	.08	15	30	40	60	60	41,350	-8.4	.000	531
Carnegie Class	40.2	16.3	.06	10	30	40	55	60	64,846	-6.5	.000	401
NSSE 2016 & 2017	40.5	15.9	.03	15	30	40	55	60	208,390	-6.9	.000	433
Top 50%	42.3	15.6	.04	15	30	40	60	60	138,755	-8.7	.000	558
Top 10%	44.3	15.3	.09	20	35	45	60	60	30,039	-10.6	.000	696



# Detailed Statistics<sup>a</sup> Grambling State University

### **Detailed Statistics: Seniors**

	Mean statistics			Percentile <sup>d</sup> scores					Comparison results			
		SD <sup>b</sup>	SEM <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom <sup>e</sup>	Mean diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	Effect size <sup>g</sup>
	Mean											
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
GSU (N = 105)	31.5	15.2	1.48	5	20	30	40	60				
Southeast Public	24.4	16.1	.07	0	10	20	35	60	46,359	7.1	.000	.442
Carnegie Class	23.5	16.1	.06	0	10	20	35	55	71,358	8.0	.000	.501
NSSE 2016 & 2017	23.6	15.9	.03	0	10	20	35	55	230,248	7.9	.000	.496
Top 50%	29.2	15.7	.07	5	20	30	40	60	55,362	2.3	.141	.144
Top 10%	33.0	16.0	.17	10	20	30	45	60	8,522	-1.5	.326	096
Effective Teaching Practices												
GSU (N = 105)	37.7	16.0	1.56	8	24	40	52	60				
Southeast Public	39.8	13.8	.06	16	32	40	52	60	105	-2.1	.187	150
Carnegie Class	40.3	13.8	.05	16	32	40	52	60	105	-2.6	.099	187
NSSE 2016 & 2017	39.6	13.7	.03	16	32	40	52	60	104	-1.9	.223	14
Top 50%	41.8	13.5	.05	20	32	40	52	60	105	-4.1	.010	30
Top 10%	43.8	13.4	.11	20	36	44	56	60	105	-6.1	.000	455
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
GSU (N = 92)	41.9	14.0	1.46	16	34	44	54	60				
Southeast Public	42.1	12.2	.06	20	34	44	50	60	39,008	1	.915	011
Carnegie Class	43.0	12.3	.05	20	36	44	52	60	60,189	-1.0	.415	085
NSSE 2016 & 2017	42.3	12.1	.03	20	35	44	50	60	195,146	3	.812	025
Top 50%	44.8	11.6	.04	23	38	46	54	60	91	-2.8	.054	24
Top 10%	46.9	12.1	.08	23	40	50	58	60	92	-4.9	.001	408
Supportive Environment												
GSU (N = 83)	33.8	14.5	1.59	13	20	33	45	60				
Southeast Public	33.5	14.2	.07	10	23	33	43	60	38,995	.3	.849	.02
Carnegie Class	31.8	14.4	.06	8	20	33	40	60	61,405	1.9	.223	.134
NSSE 2016 & 2017	32.3	14.2	.03	10	23	33	40	60	197,026	1.4	.355	.102
Top 50%	34.8	13.7	.05	13	25	35	45	60	89,557	-1.0	.513	072
Top 10%	37.2	13.6	.11	13	28	38	48	60	16,273	-3.4	.024	249

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.