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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. The specific items within each EI are listed below, starting on page 5.

Theme	Engagement Indicator
	Higher-Order Learning
Academic Challenge	Reflective & Integrative Learning
3.	Learning Strategies
	Quantitative Reasoning
	Collaborative Learning
Learning with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others
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Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction
Experiences with rucuity	Effective Teaching Practices
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Campus Environment	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 all current- and prior-year institutions.

Detailed Statistics (pp. 16-End) 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 El scores vary among your students and those in your comparison groups. Your NSSE Tableau dashboards and Report Builder (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.

Note: It is important to interpret the direction of differences relative to your institutional context. You may not see all of these symbols in your report.

rst-Year Stu	dents	Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year students compared with	Your first-year student compared with
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Southwest Public	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2024 & 2025
	Higher-Order Learning		∇	∇
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning	∇	∇	∇
Challenge	Learning Strategies		∇	
	Quantitative Reasoning			
Learning with	Collaborative Learning	Δ	A	
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others			
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction			
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	∇	∇	∇
Campus	Quality of Interactions			
Environment	Supportive Environment			∇
niors		Your seniors	Your seniors	Your seniors
		compared with	compared with	compared with
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	Quantitative Reasoning			
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Academic Challenge

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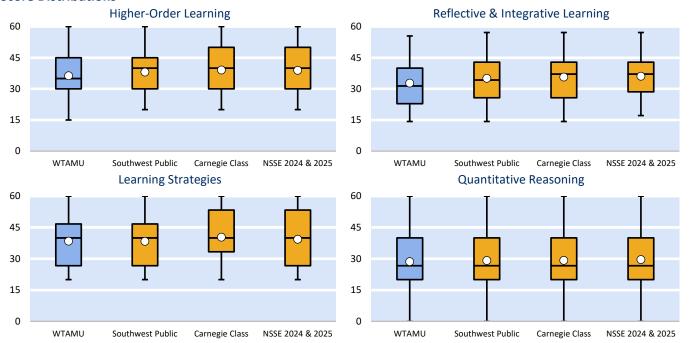
Academic Challenge: First-year students

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	WTAMU	WTAMU Southwest Public Effect		Carnegi	Carnegie Class Effect		4 & 2025 Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Higher-Order Learning	36.4	38.1	13	39.1 **	20	38.9 **	19
Reflective & Integrative Learning	32.8	35.1 **	18	35.7 ***	23	36.1 ***	27
Learning Strategies	38.4	38.3	.00	40.3 *	14	39.3	07
Quantitative Reasoning	28.6	29.2	04	29.2	04	29.6	06

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Higher-Order Learning	WTAMU	Southwest Public	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2024 & 2025
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	62	-6	-10	-10
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	63	-5	-8	-8
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	66	-3	-5	-4
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	68	-3	-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	50	-1	-1	-4
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	40	-9	-13	-13
Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	39	-11	-13	-14
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	60	-4	-5	-5
Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from their perspective	65	-6	-6	-7
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	66	-2	-3	-3
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	77	+0	-2	-2
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	67	-5	-10	-8
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	70	+4	-1	+2
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	69	+4	-2	+1
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	+0	+1	-0
Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	41	-3	-4	-4
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	48	+6	+7	+5

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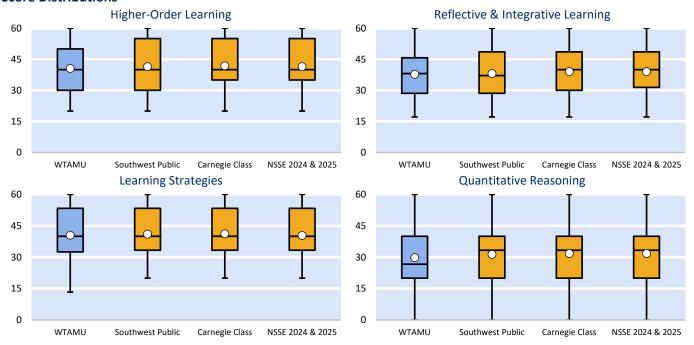
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	WTAMU	Southwest Public Effect		Carnegie Class Effect			
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	Effect size
Higher-Order Learning	40.6	41.4	06	41.8	09	41.5	06
Reflective & Integrative Learning	37.7	38.1	03	39.0	10	39.1	10
Learning Strategies	40.5	41.0	03	41.1	04	40.3	.01
Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	31.3	09	31.8	12	31.8	12

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Higher-Order Learning	WTAMU	Southwest Public	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2024 & 2025
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	79	+0	-1	-1
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	76	-1	-2	-1
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	70	-4	-5	-4
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	74	-2	-3	-2
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	72	+7	+4	+3
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	59	-1	-5	-4
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	46	-5	-9	-10
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	68	+2	-1	-0
Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from their perspective	72	-1	-2	-2
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	66	-6	-7	-7
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	84	+1	-1	-1
Learning Strategies				
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9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	76	-3	-4	-3
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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.)	57	-1	-2	-2
Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	47	-1	-3	-2
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	44	-2	-4	-5

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Learning with Peers

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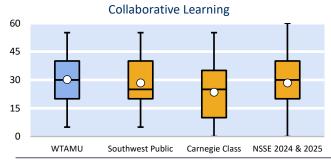
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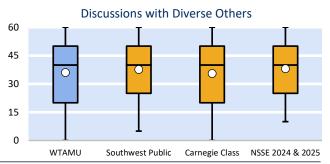
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Collaborative Learning	30.2	28.3 *	.12	23.4 ***	.40	28.4	.11
Discussions with Diverse Others	36.0	37.6	10	35.5	.03	38.0	12

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Collaborative Learning	WTAMU	Public	Carnegie Class	2025
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
1b. Asked another student to help you understand course material	50	+7	+16	+7
1c. Explained course material to one or more students	48	+4	+12	+3
${\bf 1d.\ Prepared\ for\ exams\ by\ discussing\ or\ working\ through\ course\ material\ with\ other\ students}$	41	+3	+9	+1
1e. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	55	+5	+15	+5
Discussions with Diverse Others				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with				
8a. People of races or ethnicities other than your own	65	-3	+1	-4
8b. People from economic backgrounds other than your own	68	∮ -0	+4	-2
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	54	-9	-4	-9
8d. People with political views other than your own	56	-2	+2	-2

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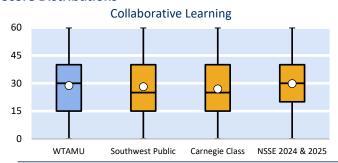
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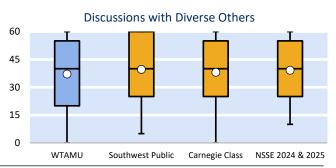
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1b. Asked another student to help you understand course material	42	+5	+6	+2
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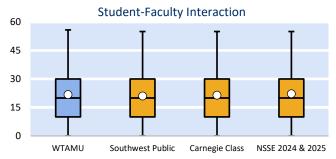
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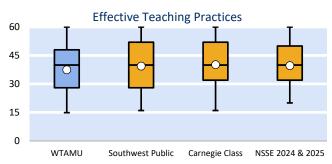
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3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	29	+3	+2	+1
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	30	+1	-4	-2
Effective Teaching Practices				-
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	78	-1	-2	-2
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	74	-1	-1	-1
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	72	-1	-3	-3
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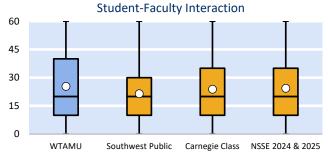
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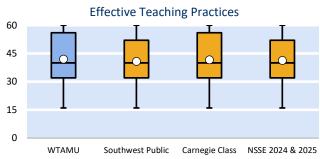
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3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	34	+10	+7	+5
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	36	+8	+5	+3
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	41	+11	+6	+7
Effective Teaching Practices				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	86	+4	+3	+3
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	82	+4	+3	+3
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	80	+3	+2	+2
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	67	+4	-1	+1
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	64	-0	-5	-3

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Campus Environment

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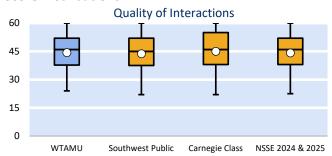
Campus Environment: First-year students

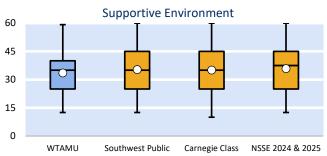
Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your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

Mean Comparisons			Your	first-year stude	nts compared v	vith	
	WTAMU	Southv	vest Public	Carne	gie Class	NSSE 20	24 & 2025
			Effect		Effect		Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	44.4	43.8	.05	45.0	05	44.2	.01
Supportive Environment	33.5	35.3	13	35.1	11	35.8 *	17

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

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 poi	nt difference ^a between j	your FY students and
		Southwest		NSSE 2024 &
Quality of Interactions	WTAMU	Public	Carnegie Class	2025
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%			
13a. Students	53	+3	+1	+1
13b. Academic advisors	61	+4	(-1	+2
13c. Faculty	60	+6	t -0	+4
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	50	(-1	-4	-1
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	49	(-0	-7	(-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	74	+1	(-1	-1
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	74	-0	ļ -0	-1
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	49	-11	-13	-13
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	68	+0	+1	-3
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	64	-3	-4	-5
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	43	(-0	-3	-1
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	61	-2	+6	-3
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	35	- 9	-8	-10

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Campus Environment

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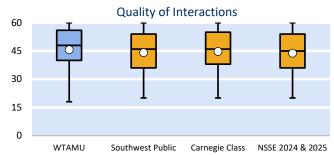
Campus Environment: Seniors

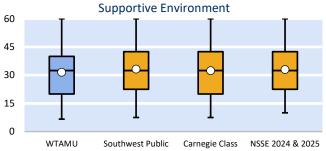
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Mean Comparisons				Your seniors co	mpared with		
	WTAMU	Southv	vest Public Effect	Carne	egie Class Effect	NSSE 20	24 & 2025 <i>Effect</i>
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	45.7	44.2	.12	44.8	.07	43.9 *	.15
Supportive Environment	31.6	33.3	11	32.4	06	33.0	10

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).

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		Percentage poi	nt difference ^a between y	our seniors and
		Southwest		NSSE 2024 &
Quality of Interactions	WTAMU	Public	Carnegie Class	2025
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%			
13a. Students	61	+1	+2	+1
13b. Academic advisors	61	+6	+3	+6
13c. Faculty	68	+8	+5	+7
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	50	t -O	-2	+3
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	56	+6	+3	+8
Supportive Environment				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	75	+3	+3	+4
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	66	-4	-2	-2
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	47	-11	- 9	- 9
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	61	-4	-0	-4
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	55	-6	-5	I -6
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	33	-5	-5	-3
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	55	+1	+7	-1
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	31	-8	-7	-8

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Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions West Texas A&M University

Comparisons with Top 50% and Top 10% Institutions

While NSSE's policy is not to rank institutions (see **go.iu.edu/NSSE-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 2024 and 2025 NSSE institutions, and
- (b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2024 and 2025 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 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 students compared with									
		WTAMU	NSSE 7	Гор 50%	NSSE T	op 10%						
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size ✓	Mean	Effect size	\checkmark					
	Higher-Order Learning	36.4	40.3 ***	30	42.9 ***	51						
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	32.8	37.6 ***	40	40.0 ***	60						
Challenge	Learning Strategies	38.4	40.9 **	18	43.8 ***	38						
	Quantitative Reasoning	28.6	31.2 *	17	33.6 ***	32						
Learning	Collaborative Learning	30.2	33.0 **	21	36.2 ***	45						
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	36.0	40.9 ***	33	43.7 ***	56						
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	21.8	25.7 ***	26	29.6 ***	50						
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	37.4	41.7 ***	32	44.4 ***	50						
Campus	Quality of Interactions	44.4	46.5 *	18	49.1 ***	39						
Environment	Supportive Environment	33.5	38.0 ***	34	40.6 ***	56						
Seniors				Your seniors co	ompared with							
		WTAMU	NSSE 1	Гор 50%	NSSE T	op 10%						
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size ✓	Mean	Effect size	\checkmark					
	Higher-Order Learning	40.6	42.9 **	17	45.5 ***	39						
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	37.7	40.9 ***	26	43.8 ***	50						
Challenge	Learning Strategies	40.5	42.2	12	44.6 ***	29						
	Quantitative Reasoning	29.7	33.6 ***	23	36.9 ***	45						
Learning	Collaborative Learning	28.7	34.9 ***	43	38.5 ***	71						
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	37.2	41.8 ***	30	44.8 ***	52						
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	25.3	30.7 ***	33	34.8 ***	58						
with Faculty	•	41.9	43.4	11	46.2 ***	32						

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45.7

31.6

46.3

35.9 ***

-.05

-.30

Quality of Interactions

Environment Supportive Environment

Campus

-.28

-.57

49.1 ***

a. Precision-weighted means were used to determine the top 50% and top 10% institutions for each Engagement Indicator from all current- and prior-year 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.

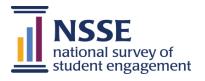
b. Check marks are assigned to comparisons that are either positive or non-significant with an effect size > -.10.



Detailed Statistics^a West Texas A&M University

Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	n statisti	ics	Percentile ^d scores				Comparison results				
-		h							Deg. of	Mean	f	Effect
Academic Challenge	Mean	SD ^b	SE ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size [©]
Higher-Order Learning												
WTAMU (N = 231)	36.4	13.6	.90	15	30	35	45	60				
Southwest Public	38.1	13.7	.11	20	30	40	45	60	237	-1.7	.057	127
Carnegie Class	39.1	13.7	.07	20	30	40	50	60	237	-2.7	.003	127
NSSE 2024 & 2025	38.9	13.7	.04	20	30	40	50	60	232	-2.6	.005	192
Top 50%	40.3	13.2	.05	20	30	40	50	60	230	-3.9	.000	192
Top 10%	42.9	12.7	.12	20	35	40	55	60	238	-6.5	.000	511
Reflective & Integrative Learning	σ											
WTAMU (N = 251)	32.8	12.6	.80	14	23	31	40	55				
Southwest Public	35.1	12.6	.10	14	26	34	43	57	258	-2.3	.005	181
Carnegie Class	35.7	12.7	.06	14	26	37	43	57	253	-2.9	.000	231
NSSE 2024 & 2025	36.1	12.7	.03	17	29	37	43	57	253	-3.3	.000	266
Top 50%	37.6	12.0	.03	20	29	37	46	60	251	-4.8	.000	404
Top 10%	40.0	12.0	.12	20	31	40	49	60	262	-7.2	.000	596
Loorning Stratogics												
Learning Strategies WTAMU (N = 214)	38.4	13.3	.91	20	27	40	47	60				
Southwest Public	38.3	14.3	.13	20	27	40	47	60	221	.1	.942	.005
			.08							.1 -1.9		
Carnegie Class	40.3	14.2		20	33	40	53	60	216		.037	135
NSSE 2024 & 2025	39.3	14.0	.04	20	27	40	53	60	214	9	.314	066
Top 50% Top 10%	40.9 43.8	13.9 14.2	.05 .11	20 20	33 33	40 40	53 60	60 60	214 219	-2.5 -5.4	.006	182 379
Overtitative Personing												
Quantitative Reasoning	20.6	16.2	1 11	0	20	27	40	60				
WTAMU ($N = 214$)	28.6	16.2	1.11	0	20	27	40	60	220		(10	025
Southwest Public	29.2	15.8	.14	0	20	27	40	60	220	6	.618	035
Carnegie Class	29.2	16.2	.09	0	20	27	40	60	216	6	.568	039
NSSE 2024 & 2025	29.6	15.8	.04	0	20	27	40	60	214	-1.0	.375	062
Top 50%	31.2	15.5	.06	7	20	33	40	60	214	-2.6	.021	166
Top 10%	33.6	15.6	.13	7	20	33	40	60	219	-5.0	.000	317
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
WTAMU ($N = 276$)	30.2	15.2	.92	5	20	30	40	55				
Southwest Public	28.3	14.8	.11	5	20	25	40	55	283	1.8	.050	.123
Carnegie Class	23.4	16.9	.08	0	10	25	35	55	279	6.7	.000	.398
NSSE 2024 & 2025	28.4	15.6	.04	0	20	30	40	60	276	1.8	.057	.113
Top 50%	33.0	13.9	.05	10	25	30	40	60	276	-2.9	.002	206
Top 10%	36.2	13.6	.11	15	25	35	45	60	283	-6.1	.000	447
Discussions with Diverse Others												
WTAMU $(N = 212)$	36.0	17.3	1.19	0	20	40	50	60				
Southwest Public	37.6	16.7	.15	5	25	40	50	60	218	-1.6	.177	097
Carnegie Class	35.5	18.0	.10	0	20	40	50	60	214	.5	.668	.028
NSSE 2024 & 2025	38.0	16.3	.05	10	25	40	50	60	212	-2.0	.092	123
Top 50%	40.9	14.9	.06	20	30	40	55	60	212	-4.9	.000	329
Top 10%	43.7	13.9	.15	20	35	45	60	60	218	-7.8	.000	557



Detailed Statistics^a West Texas A&M University

Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mea	n statisti	CS		Perce	ntile ^d sco	ores		Со	mparison	results	
	-			-					Deg. of	Mean		Effect
	Mean	SD b	SE c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
WTAMU $(N = 238)$	21.8	15.6	1.01	0	10	20	30	56				
Southwest Public	21.0	15.6	.13	0	10	20	30	55	245	.8	.445	.050
Carnegie Class	21.4	15.3	.08	0	10	20	30	55	240	.4	.724	.023
NSSE 2024 & 2025	22.2	15.3	.04	0	10	20	30	55	238	4	.705	025
Top 50%	25.7	15.3	.07	5	15	25	35	60	239	-3.9	.000	255
Top 10%	29.6	15.6	.19	5	20	25	40	60	253	-7.9	.000	505
Effective Teaching Practices												
WTAMU $(N = 228)$	37.4	14.0	.93	15	28	40	48	60				
Southwest Public	39.4	13.9	.12	16	28	40	52	60	234	-1.9	.038	140
Carnegie Class	40.1	14.2	.07	16	32	40	52	60	230	-2.7	.004	191
NSSE 2024 & 2025	39.7	13.5	.04	20	32	40	50	60	228	-2.2	.017	166
Top 50%	41.7	13.3	.06	20	32	40	52	60	229	-4.3	.000	321
Top 10%	44.4	14.2	.13	20	36	45	60	60	236	-7.0	.000	496
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
WTAMU $(N = 188)$	44.4	11.3	.83	24	38	46	52	60				
Southwest Public	43.8	12.1	.11	22	38	45	52	60	194	.6	.466	.050
Carnegie Class	45.0	12.4	.07	22	38	46	55	60	189	7	.426	054
NSSE 2024 & 2025	44.2	11.6	.03	23	38	46	52	60	187	.2	.838	.015
Top 50%	46.5	11.5	.05	25	40	48	56	60	188	-2.1	.011	184
Top 10%	49.1	12.0	.11	26	43	52	60	60	193	-4.7	.000	393
Supportive Environment												
WTAMU $(N = 209)$	33.5	13.3	.92	13	25	35	40	59				
Southwest Public	35.3	14.0	.13	13	25	35	45	60	216	-1.8	.051	129
Carnegie Class	35.1	14.3	.08	10	25	35	45	60	211	-1.5	.094	108
NSSE 2024 & 2025	35.8	13.7	.04	13	25	38	45	60	209	-2.3	.014	167
Top 50%	38.0	13.1	.06	18	30	40	48	60	210	-4.5	.000	343
Top 10%	40.6	12.5	.15	20	33	40	50	60	219	-7.0	.000	561

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

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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.



Detailed Statistics^a West Texas A&M University

Detailed Statistics: Seniors

_	Mea	n statisti	cs		Perce	ntile ^d scc	res			mparison	results	
	Mean	SD ^b	SE ^c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom ^e	Mean diff.	Sig. ^f	Effect size ^g
Academic Challenge												
Higher-Order Learning												
WTAMU ($N = 300$)	40.6	13.8	.80	20	30	40	50	60				
Southwest Public	41.4	14.2	.11	20	30	40	55	60	310	8	.305	058
Carnegie Class	41.8	13.8	.07	20	35	40	55	60	304	-1.2	.132	088
NSSE 2024 & 2025	41.5	13.7	.04	20	35	40	55	60	300	9	.272	064
Top 50%	42.9	13.6	.05	20	35	40	55	60	301	-2.3	.004	170
Top 10%	45.5	12.7	.16	20	40	45	60	60	323	-4.9	.000	386
Reflective & Integrative Learnin	g											
WTAMU $(N = 323)$	37.7	13.2	.73	17	29	38	46	60				
Southwest Public	38.1	13.2	.10	17	29	37	49	60	333	4	.609	029
Carnegie Class	39.0	13.1	.07	17	30	40	49	60	327	-1.3	.070	102
NSSE 2024 & 2025	39.1	12.9	.03	17	31	40	49	60	323	-1.3	.068	104
Top 50%	40.9	12.4	.05	20	31	40	51	60	325	-3.2	.000	262
Top 10%	43.8	12.0	.16	23	34	43	54	60	352	-6.1	.000	501
Learning Strategies												
WTAMU $(N = 279)$	40.5	15.0	.90	13	33	40	53	60				
Southwest Public	41.0	14.6	.11	20	33	40	53	60	287	5	.590	033
Carnegie Class	41.1	14.5	.08	20	33	40	53	60	283	6	.474	045
NSSE 2024 & 2025	40.3	14.6	.04	20	33	40	53	60	279	.2	.868	.010
Top 50%	42.2	14.4	.06	20	33	40	53	60	281	-1.7	.065	116
Top 10%	44.6	14.1	.13	20	33	47	60	60	290	-4.2	.000	294
Quantitative Reasoning												
WTAMU $(N = 289)$	29.7	17.7	1.04	0	20	27	40	60				
Southwest Public	31.3	16.8	.13	0	20	33	40	60	297	-1.5	.141	092
Carnegie Class	31.8	16.9	.09	0	20	33	40	60	292	-2.0	.053	120
NSSE 2024 & 2025	31.8	16.7	.05	0	20	33	40	60	289	-2.0	.054	121
Top 50%	33.6	16.5	.06	7	20	33	47	60	290	-3.8	.000	233
Top 10%	36.9	16.1	.17	7	27	40	47	60	303	-7.2	.000	446
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
WTAMU $(N = 341)$	28.7	17.9	.97	0	15	30	40	60				
Southwest Public	28.2	16.3	.12	0	15	25	40	60	350	.5	.578	.033
Carnegie Class	27.0	17.4	.09	0	15	25	40	60	345	1.8	.071	.102
NSSE 2024 & 2025	29.8	16.5	.04	0	20	30	40	60	341	-1.1	.265	066
Top 50%	34.9	14.4	.06	10	25	35	45	60	342	-6.2	.000	430
Top 10%	38.5	13.6	.14	15	30	40	50	60	354	-9.7	.000	709
Discussions with Diverse Others												
WTAMU $(N = 283)$	37.2	18.3	1.09	0	20	40	55	60				
Southwest Public	39.6	17.4	.13	5	25	40	60	60	291	-2.5	.026	141
Carnegie Class	38.1	17.6	.10	0	25	40	55	60	287	9	.393	053
NSSE 2024 & 2025	39.2	16.5	.04	10	25	40	55	60	283	-2.1	.061	124
Top 50%	41.8	15.5	.06	15	30	40	60	60	284	-4.7	.000	300
Top 10%	44.8	14.5	.20	20	35	45	60	60	302	-7.6	.000	518



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Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mea	n statistic	CS	Percentile ^d scores					Comparison results				
									Deg. of	Mean		Effect	
	Mean	SD ^b	SE c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom ^e	diff.	Sig. ^f	size ^g	
Experiences with Faculty													
Student-Faculty Interaction													
WTAMU $(N = 312)$	25.3	17.4	.98	0	10	20	40	60					
Southwest Public	21.4	16.7	.12	0	10	20	30	60	321	3.9	.000	.232	
Carnegie Class	23.8	16.7	.09	0	10	20	35	60	316	1.6	.111	.094	
NSSE 2024 & 2025	24.3	16.7	.04	0	10	20	35	60	312	1.0	.319	.059	
Top 50%	30.7	16.3	.09	5	20	30	40	60	317	-5.4	.000	330	
Top 10%	34.8	16.3	.26	10	20	35	50	60	354	-9.5	.000	580	
Effective Teaching Practices													
WTAMU ($N = 299$)	41.9	14.4	.83	16	32	40	56	60					
Southwest Public	40.7	14.6	.11	16	32	40	52	60	309	1.2	.143	.085	
Carnegie Class	41.6	14.3	.08	16	32	40	56	60	303	.3	.677	.024	
NSSE 2024 & 2025	41.2	14.0	.04	16	32	40	52	60	299	.7	.379	.052	
Top 50%	43.4	13.6	.06	20	36	44	56	60	302	-1.5	.080	108	
Top 10%	46.2	13.2	.15	20	40	48	60	60	319	-4.3	.000	322	
Campus Environment													
Quality of Interactions													
WTAMU $(N = 240)$	45.7	13.2	.85	18	40	48	56	60					
Southwest Public	44.2	12.8	.11	20	36	46	54	60	246	1.5	.075	.120	
Carnegie Class	44.8	12.5	.07	20	38	46	55	60	242	.9	.272	.075	
NSSE 2024 & 2025	43.9	12.3	.04	20	36	45	54	60	239	1.9	.031	.151	
Top 50%	46.3	12.0	.05	24	40	48	56	60	240	6	.460	053	
Top 10%	49.1	12.1	.11	24	43	52	60	60	247	-3.4	.000	279	
Supportive Environment													
WTAMU $(N = 262)$	31.6	15.0	.92	7	20	33	40	60					
Southwest Public	33.3	15.1	.12	8	23	33	43	60	270	-1.7	.067	113	
Carnegie Class	32.4	15.0	.08	8	20	33	43	60	265	8	.369	056	
NSSE 2024 & 2025	33.0	14.6	.04	10	23	33	43	60	262	-1.5	.115	100	
Top 50%	35.9	14.2	.07	13	25	38	45	60	264	-4.3	.000	304	
Top 10%	39.4	13.5	.21	18	30	40	50	60	290	-7.8	.000	573	

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

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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.