

NSSE 2012 U.S. Benchmark Descriptive Statistics^a
by Major Category
SENIORS

	N	Mean Statistics			95% Conf. Interval		Distribution Statistics (Percentile Scores)				
		Mean	SD	SEM	Lower	Upper	5	25	50	75	95
Level of Academic Challenge											
Arts & Humanities	17,520	59.1	14.1	.11	58.9	59.4	34.7	49.7	59.7	69.2	81.1
Biological Sciences	10,145	57.5	14.1	.14	57.3	57.8	33.7	47.9	57.8	67.5	80.0
Business	28,006	58.0	14.4	.09	57.8	58.2	33.9	48.2	58.2	68.3	81.2
Education	12,083	59.0	13.7	.12	58.7	59.2	35.9	49.8	59.2	68.5	80.7
Engineering	10,178	58.2	13.9	.14	57.9	58.4	34.7	49.1	58.8	67.7	79.8
Physical Sciences	5,017	56.7	14.0	.20	56.3	57.1	33.7	47.4	57.1	66.2	79.0
Professional (other)	15,827	61.5	13.7	.11	61.3	61.7	38.2	52.4	62.4	71.2	83.0
Social Sciences	21,033	59.9	14.0	.10	59.7	60.1	35.9	50.5	60.5	69.9	81.8
NSSE 2012 ^b	143,125	58.5	14.3	.04	58.4	58.6	34.4	48.9	59.0	68.5	81.1
Active and Collaborative Learning											
Arts & Humanities	17,519	50.5	16.9	.13	50.2	50.7	23.8	38.1	47.6	61.9	81.0
Biological Sciences	10,148	49.6	17.7	.18	49.3	50.0	23.8	38.1	47.6	61.9	81.0
Business	28,002	52.7	17.1	.10	52.5	52.9	23.8	42.9	52.4	66.7	81.0
Education	12,084	58.6	17.8	.16	58.3	59.0	28.6	47.6	57.1	71.4	90.5
Engineering	10,176	50.8	17.1	.17	50.5	51.2	23.8	38.1	52.4	61.9	81.0
Physical Sciences	5,014	50.1	17.9	.25	49.6	50.6	22.2	38.1	47.6	61.9	81.0
Professional (other)	15,851	53.7	18.1	.14	53.4	54.0	23.8	42.9	52.4	66.7	85.7
Social Sciences	21,026	51.0	17.3	.12	50.8	51.3	23.8	38.1	52.4	61.9	81.0
NSSE 2012 ^b	143,128	52.0	17.6	.05	51.9	52.1	23.8	38.1	52.4	61.9	81.0
Student-Faculty Interaction											
Arts & Humanities	17,449	45.5	21.6	.16	45.2	45.8	16.7	27.8	44.4	61.1	83.3
Biological Sciences	10,106	47.9	22.5	.22	47.5	48.3	13.3	33.3	44.4	61.1	88.9
Business	27,899	38.5	19.9	.12	38.2	38.7	11.1	22.2	33.3	50.0	77.8
Education	12,047	44.8	20.2	.18	44.5	45.2	16.7	27.8	44.4	55.6	83.3
Engineering	10,128	40.9	21.4	.21	40.5	41.3	11.1	22.2	38.9	55.6	83.3
Physical Sciences	4,992	48.5	23.3	.33	47.8	49.1	11.1	27.8	44.4	66.7	88.9
Professional (other)	15,777	42.2	20.5	.16	41.9	42.5	16.7	27.8	38.9	55.6	83.3
Social Sciences	20,963	44.7	21.9	.15	44.4	45.0	13.3	27.8	44.4	61.1	83.3
NSSE 2012 ^b	142,583	42.8	21.3	.06	42.7	42.9	11.1	27.8	38.9	55.6	83.3

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Enriching Educational Experiences												
Arts & Humanities	17,503	43.6	18.8	.14	43.3	43.8	13.9	29.0	42.9	56.7	75.3	
Biological Sciences	10,135	43.9	18.3	.18	43.6	44.3	13.9	30.6	43.7	56.7	74.6	
Business	27,951	37.0	18.7	.11	36.8	37.2	11.1	22.2	34.5	50.0	70.6	
Education	12,063	42.1	16.9	.15	41.8	42.4	15.1	30.3	41.7	54.0	70.2	
Engineering	10,169	39.7	17.7	.18	39.4	40.1	11.1	27.0	38.9	51.2	69.8	
Physical Sciences	5,010	40.7	18.5	.26	40.2	41.3	11.1	27.4	40.1	53.6	71.8	
Professional (other)	15,797	39.2	17.5	.14	38.9	39.5	12.1	26.2	38.9	51.2	69.0	
Social Sciences	21,009	43.5	19.0	.13	43.2	43.7	13.9	29.0	42.9	57.5	75.0	
NSSE 2012 ^b	142,920	40.5	18.5	.05	40.4	40.6	11.1	26.2	39.3	53.6	72.2	
Supportive Campus Environment												
Arts & Humanities	17,472	59.7	19.4	.15	59.4	60.0	27.8	47.2	61.1	72.2	91.7	
Biological Sciences	10,116	59.5	19.3	.19	59.1	59.8	26.7	47.2	61.1	72.2	91.7	
Business	27,932	61.7	19.6	.12	61.5	61.9	27.8	47.2	61.1	75.0	94.4	
Education	12,043	62.6	19.4	.18	62.2	62.9	30.6	50.0	63.9	75.0	94.4	
Engineering	10,136	57.3	19.2	.19	57.0	57.7	25.0	44.4	58.3	69.4	88.9	
Physical Sciences	5,000	59.5	19.2	.27	59.0	60.1	27.8	47.2	61.1	72.2	91.7	
Professional (other)	15,777	61.9	20.1	.16	61.5	62.2	27.8	47.2	61.1	75.0	97.2	
Social Sciences	20,972	60.6	20.0	.14	60.3	60.9	27.8	47.2	61.1	75.0	94.4	
NSSE 2012 ^b	142,690	60.7	19.7	.05	60.6	60.8	27.8	47.2	61.1	75.0	94.4	

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