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**NSSE 2014**  
**Engagement Indicators**  
Regent University

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### About Your Engagement Indicators Report

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

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

### Report sections

- Overview (p. 3)** Displays how average EI scores for your first-year and senior 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.
  - Summary of Indicator Items**  
Responses to each item in a given EI are displayed 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 2013 and 2014 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. An effect size of .2 is generally considered small, .5 medium, and .8 large. 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.

## 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 themes: Academic Challenge, Learning with Peers, Experiences with Faculty, and Campus Environment. The tables below compare average scores for your students with those in your comparison groups.

Use the following key:

- ▲ **Your students' average** was significantly higher ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.
- △ **Your students' average** was significantly higher ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- No significant difference.
- ▼ **Your students' average** was significantly lower ( $p < .05$ ) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
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### First-Year Students

Theme	Engagement Indicator	Your first-year students	Your first-year students	Your first-year students
		compared with CCC&U	compared with Southeast	compared with NSSE 2014
Academic Challenge	Higher-Order Learning	--	--	--
	Reflective & Integrative Learning	--	▲	▲
	Learning Strategies	▽	▽	--
	Quantitative Reasoning	▽	▽	▽
Learning with Peers	Collaborative Learning	▽	▽	▽
	Discussions with Diverse Others	--	▽	▽
Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction	▽	▽	▽
	Effective Teaching Practices	--	--	--
Campus Environment	Quality of Interactions	--	▲	▲
	Supportive Environment	--	--	--

### Seniors

Theme	Engagement Indicator	Your seniors	Your seniors	Your seniors
		compared with CCC&U	compared with Southeast	compared with NSSE 2014
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	--	--	△

### Academic Challenge: First-year students

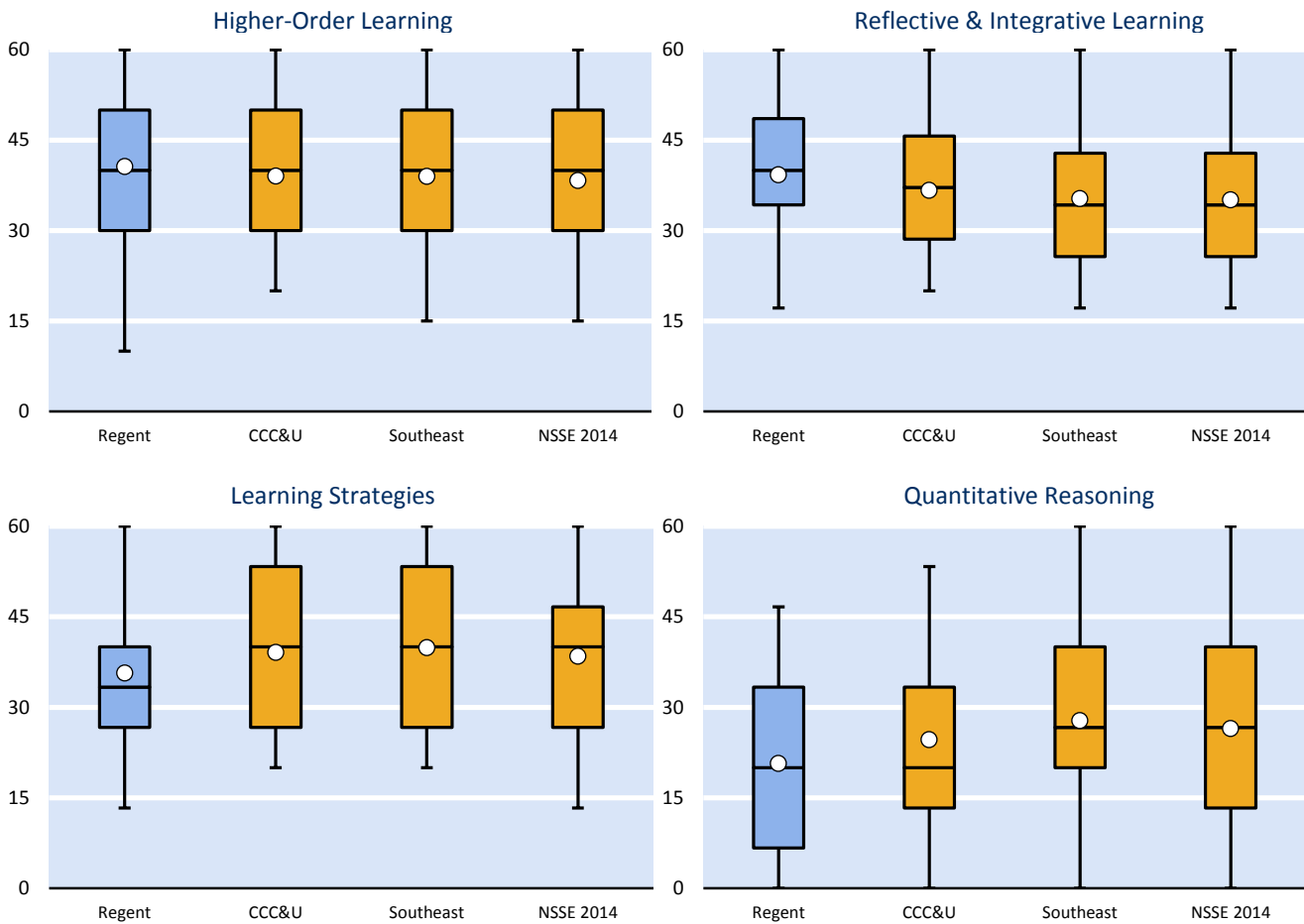
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#### Mean Comparisons

Engagement Indicator	Regent Mean	Your first-year students compared with					
		CCC&U		Southeast		NSSE 2014	
		Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size
Higher-Order Learning	40.6	39.1	.12	39.0	.12	38.3	.17
Reflective & Integrative Learning	39.2	36.7	.21	35.3 **	.31	35.1 **	.33
Learning Strategies	35.7	39.1 *	-.24	39.9 **	-.30	38.5	-.20
Quantitative Reasoning	20.7	24.6 *	-.25	27.8 ***	-.43	26.5 **	-.35

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





































































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## Academic Challenge: First-year students (continued)

### Summary of Indicator Items

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
<b>Higher-Order Learning</b>				
<i>Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized...</i>				
	%	%	%	%
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	67 	73 	73 	73 
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	76 	73 	71 	71 
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	84 	72 	69 	67 
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	69 	69 	68 	66 
<b>Reflective &amp; Integrative Learning</b>				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	64 	54 	54 	56 
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	63 	55 	51 	52 
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	64 	57 	50 	47 
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	77 	67 	62 	60 
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	72 	68 	66 	65 
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	66 	69 	64 	65 
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	88 	80 	75 	76 
<b>Learning Strategies</b>				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	79 	83 	80 	79 
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	50 	61 	67 	61 
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	59 	61 	64 	61 
<b>Quantitative Reasoning</b>				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
6a. Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	36 	44 	53 	50 
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	19 	32 	39 	36 
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	30 	31 	38 	36 

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 Web site.

### Academic Challenge: Seniors

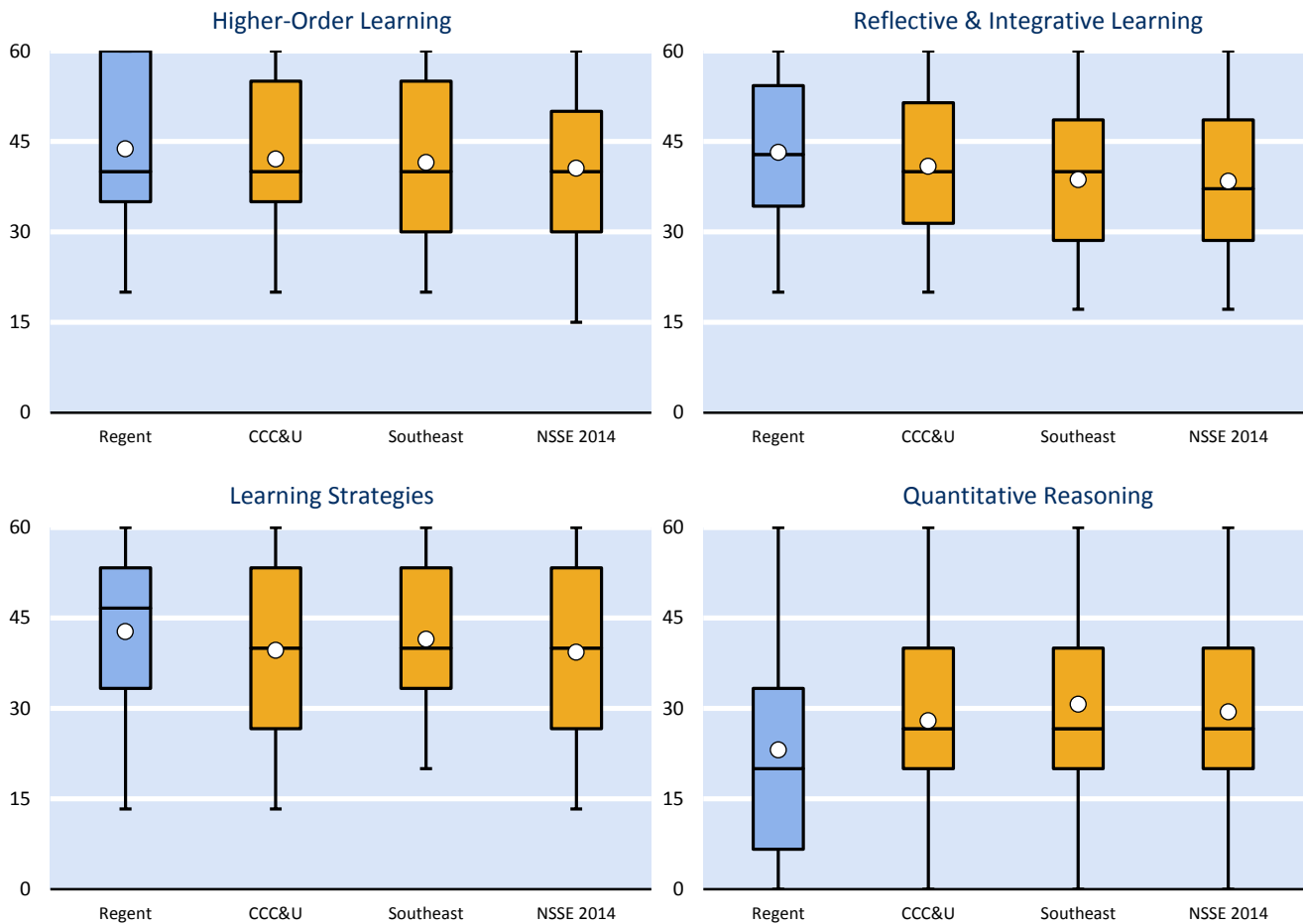
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#### Mean Comparisons

Engagement Indicator	Regent Mean	Your seniors compared with					
		CCC&U		Southeast		NSSE 2014	
		Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size
Higher-Order Learning	43.7	42.1 *	.12	41.5 *	.16	40.5 ***	.23
Reflective & Integrative Learning	43.2	40.9 **	.19	38.7 ***	.34	38.4 ***	.37
Learning Strategies	42.7	39.6 ***	.21	41.5	.08	39.3 ***	.23
Quantitative Reasoning	23.1	28.0 ***	-.28	30.7 ***	-.43	29.4 ***	-.36

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























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### Academic Challenge: Seniors (continued)

#### Summary of Indicator Items

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
<b>Higher-Order Learning</b>				
<i>Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized...</i>				
	%	%	%	%
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	78 	81 	80 	79 
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	79 	79 	78 	76 
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	84 	77 	71 	70 
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	77 	75 	73 	71 
<b>Reflective &amp; Integrative Learning</b>				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	69 	73 	72 	72 
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	75 	70 	63 	63 
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	75 	67 	53 	53 
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	80 	74 	66 	65 
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	77 	75 	70 	69 
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	73 	74 	69 	70 
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	89 	87 	83 	83 
<b>Learning Strategies</b>				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	92 	85 	83 	82 
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	67 	58 	67 	60 
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	69 	65 	69 	63 
<b>Quantitative Reasoning</b>				
<i>Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...</i>				
6a. Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	33 	47 	57 	54 
6b. Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	29 	40 	46 	43 
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## Learning with Peers: First-year students

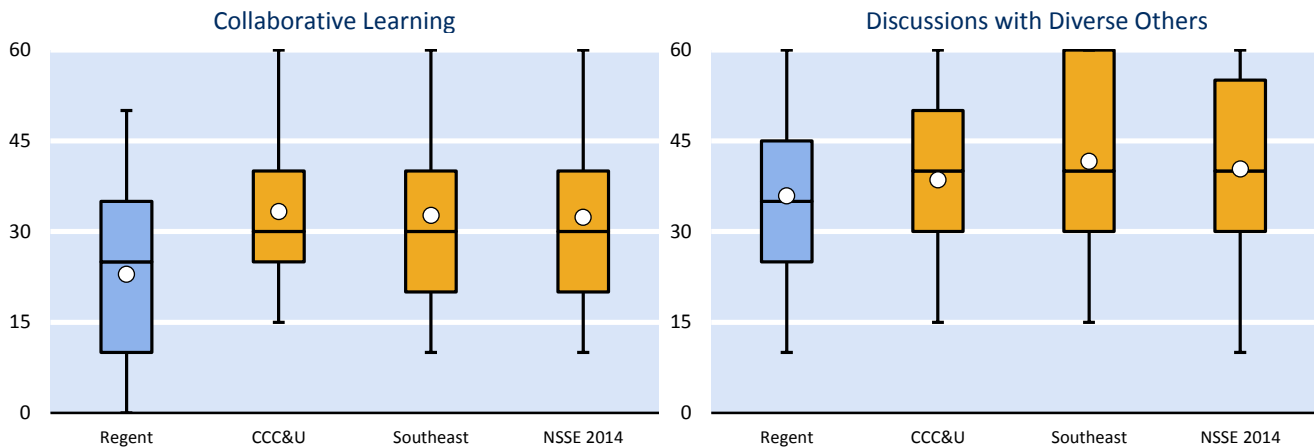
Collaborating with others in mastering difficult material and developing interpersonal and social competence prepare students to deal with complex, unscripted problems they will encounter during and after college. Two Engagement Indicators make up this theme: *Collaborative Learning* and *Discussions with Diverse Others*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

### Mean Comparisons

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		Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size
Collaborative Learning	22.9	33.3 ***	-.77	32.6 ***	-.69	32.3 ***	-.67
Discussions with Diverse Others	35.9	38.5	-.18	41.6 **	-.36	40.3 *	-.28

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### Summary of Indicator Items

#### Collaborative Learning

Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	27	51	51	50
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	43	57	58	57
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	38	53	50	50
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	26	57	52	52

#### Discussions with Diverse Others

Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
8a. People from a race or ethnicity other than your own	74	73	74	72
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	69	75	74	72
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	30	48	69	68
8d. People with political views other than your own	44	61	70	66

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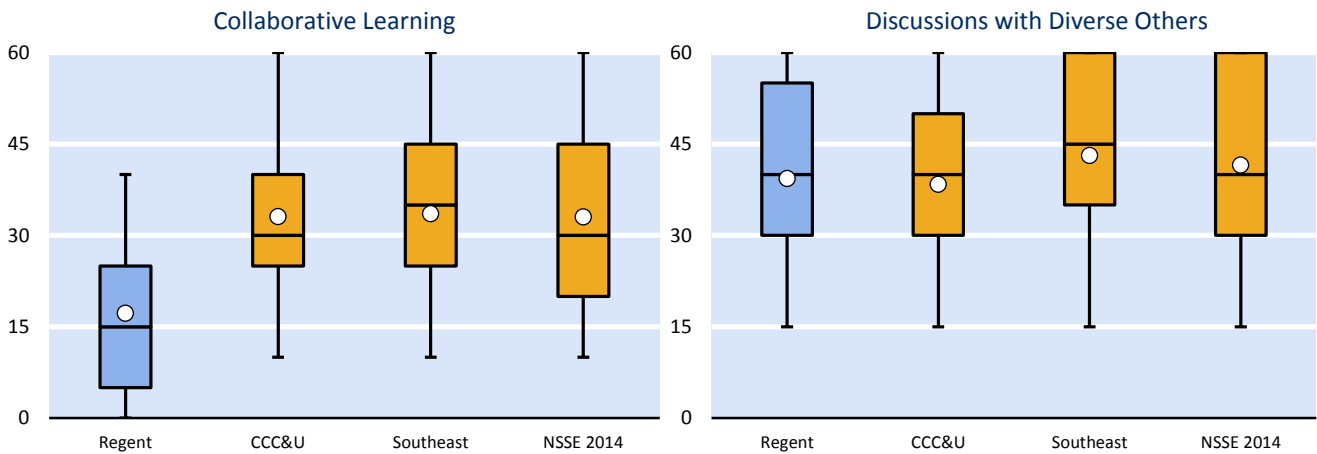
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		Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size
Collaborative Learning	17.2	33.1 ***	-1.17	33.5 ***	-1.11	33.0 ***	-1.10
Discussions with Diverse Others	39.4	38.4	.06	43.1 ***	-.23	41.6 *	-.14

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##### Collaborative Learning

Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...

Item	Regent (%)	CCC&U (%)	Southeast (%)	NSSE 2014 (%)
1e. Asked another student to help you understand course material	14	40	43	42
1f. Explained course material to one or more students	26	59	61	59
1g. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	11	49	50	48
1h. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	23	66	65	65

##### Discussions with Diverse Others

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Item	Regent (%)	CCC&U (%)	Southeast (%)	NSSE 2014 (%)
8a. People from a race or ethnicity other than your own	77	70	76	73
8b. People from an economic background other than your own	74	73	77	74
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	47	48	72	70
8d. People with political views other than your own	58	64	74	70

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### Experiences with Faculty: First-year students

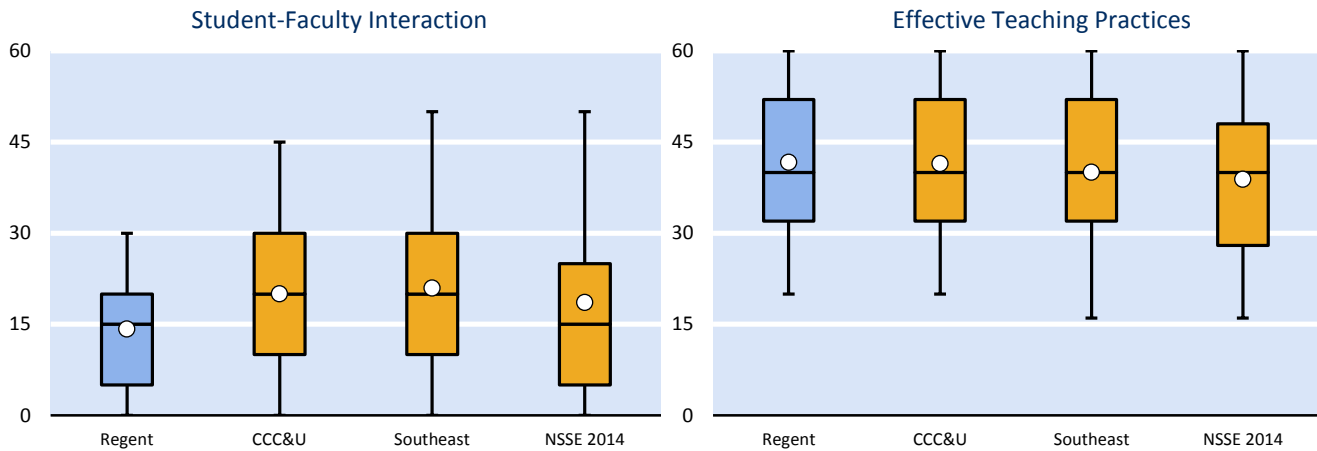
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Effective Teaching Practices	41.7	41.5	.02	40.0	.12	38.9	.21

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##### Student-Faculty Interaction

Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	15	33	34	28
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	6	17	20	17
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	16	24	26	24
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	12	25	31	26

##### Effective Teaching Practices

Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	84	85	80	80
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	92	85	79	78
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	72	81	76	76
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	70	66	65	59
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	66	66	61	58

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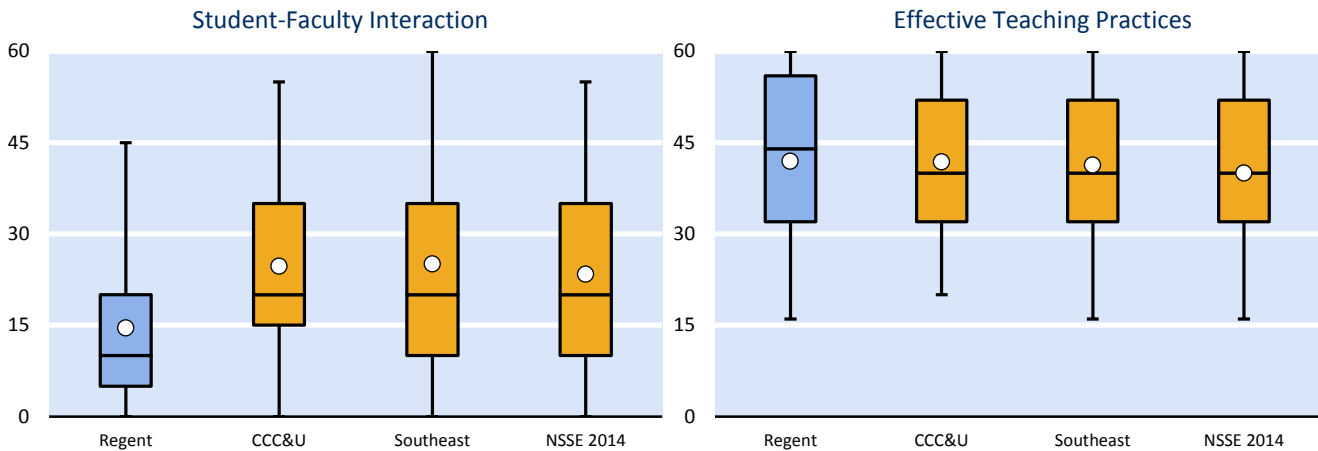
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##### Student-Faculty Interaction

Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	22	47	45	41
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	9	27	29	26
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	16	35	36	34
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	17	31	36	32

##### Effective Teaching Practices

Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	83	85	82	82
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	85	86	81	80
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	68	82	80	79
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	62	63	62	59
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	73	71	68	64

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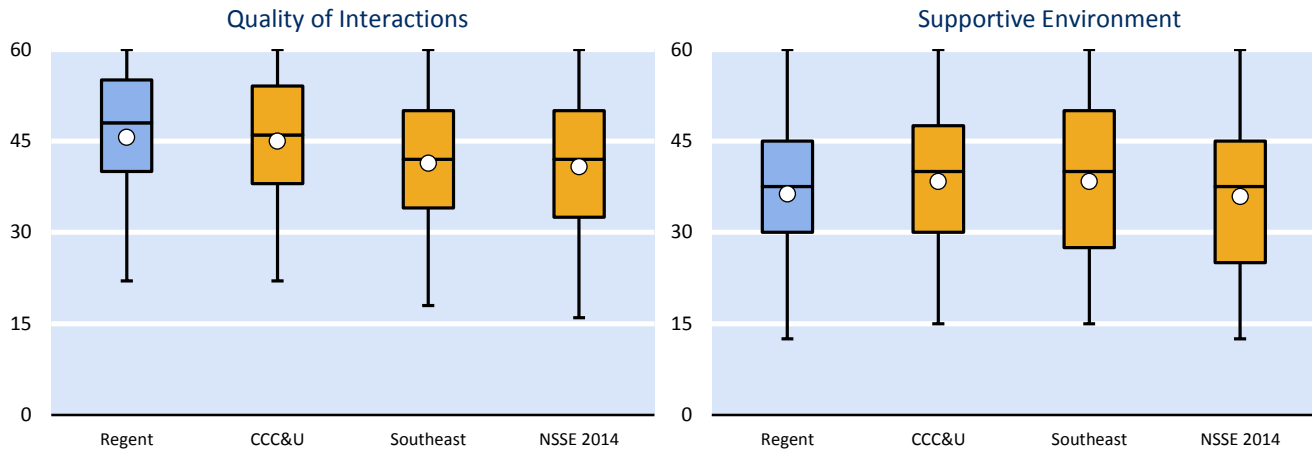
Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your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

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		CCC&U		Southeast		NSSE 2014	
		Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size
Quality of Interactions	45.6	45.0	.05	41.3 **	.34	40.8 **	.38
Supportive Environment	36.3	38.3	-.15	38.3	-.15	35.9	.03

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

#### Score Distributions



Notes: Each box-and-whiskers chart plots the 5th (bottom of lower bar), 25th (bottom of box), 50th (middle line), 75th (top of box), and 95th (top of upper bar) percentile scores. The dot represents the mean score. Refer to Detailed Statistics for your institution's sample sizes.

#### Summary of Indicator Items

##### Quality of Interactions

Percentage rating a 6 or 7 on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent" their interactions with...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
13a. Students	76	72	59	59
13b. Academic advisors	55	54	49	46
13c. Faculty	53	62	49	47
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	60	53	44	42
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	47	52	40	40

##### Supportive Environment

Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	70	82	78	76
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	72	76	79	75
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	55	63	60	56
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	74	76	75	70
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	61	75	74	69
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	31	47	46	41
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	64	70	72	64
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	52	55	55	51

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 Web site.

### Campus Environment: Seniors

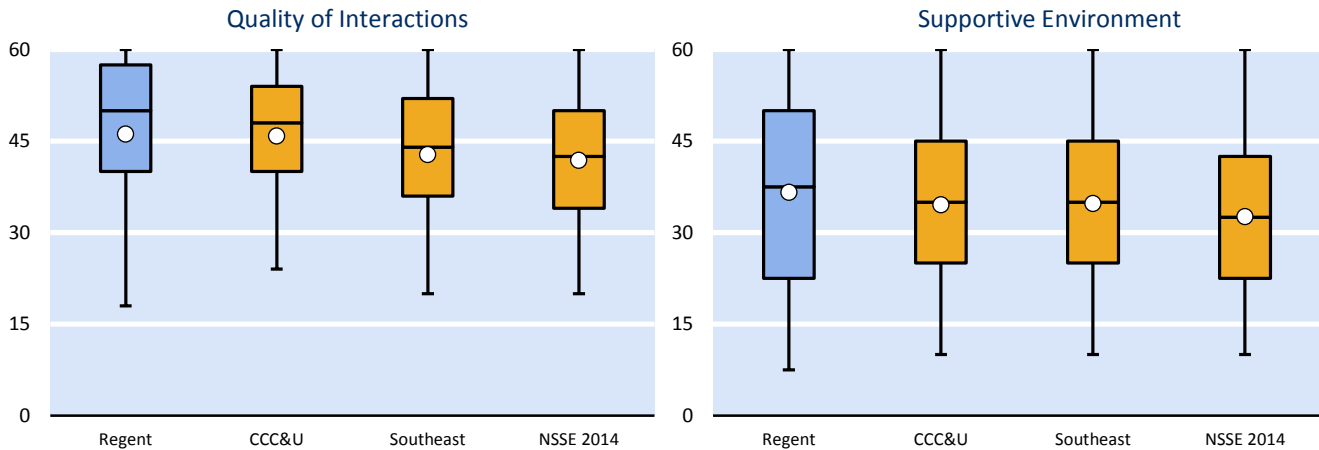
Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your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

#### Mean Comparisons

Engagement Indicator	Regent Mean	Your seniors compared with					
		CCC&U		Southeast		NSSE 2014	
		Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size	Mean	Effect size
Quality of Interactions	46.1	45.8	.03	42.8 ***	.28	41.8 ***	.36
Supportive Environment	36.6	34.5	.14	34.8	.12	32.6 ***	.28

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

#### Score Distributions



Notes: Each box-and-whiskers chart plots the 5th (bottom of lower bar), 25th (bottom of box), 50th (middle line), 75th (top of box), and 95th (top of upper bar) percentile scores. The dot represents the mean score. Refer to Detailed Statistics for your institution's sample sizes.

#### Summary of Indicator Items

##### Quality of Interactions

Percentage rating a 6 or 7 on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent" their interactions with...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
13a. Students	64	73	65	64
13b. Academic advisors	62	62	54	49
13c. Faculty	65	70	60	57
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	57	49	44	41
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	69	52	41	39

##### Supportive Environment

Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized...

	Regent	CCC&U	Southeast	NSSE 2014
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	76	78	73	70
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	75	67	68	64
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	61	57	55	50
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	66	70	70	65
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	63	65	67	62
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	37	36	35	31
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	67	60	63	56
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	64	48	49	45

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 Web site.

### Comparisons with Top 50% and Top 10% Institutions

The results below compare the engagement of your first-year and senior 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 2013 and 2014 NSSE institutions, and
- (b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2013 and 2014 NSSE institutions.

While the average scores for most institutions are below the mean for the top 50% or top 10%, your institution may show areas of distinction where your average student was as engaged as (or even more engaged than) the typical student at high-performing institutions. A check mark (✓) signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable<sup>b</sup> to that of the high-performing group. However, the absence of a significant difference between your score and that of the high-performing group does not 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		Regent Mean	Your first-year students compared with					
			NSSE Top 50%			NSSE Top 10%		
Theme	Engagement Indicator		Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
<i>Academic Challenge</i>	Higher-Order Learning	40.6	40.6	.00	✓	42.7	-.15	
	Reflective and Integrative Learning	39.2	37.3	.15	✓	39.3	.00	✓
	Learning Strategies	35.7	41.2 ***	-.40		43.4 ***	-.55	
	Quantitative Reasoning	20.7	28.8 ***	-.50		30.6 ***	-.61	
<i>Learning with Peers</i>	Collaborative Learning	22.9	34.7 ***	-.86		37.0 ***	-1.04	
	Discussions with Diverse Others	35.9	43.2 ***	-.48		45.6 ***	-.66	
<i>Experiences with Faculty</i>	Student-Faculty Interaction	14.2	23.3 ***	-.61		26.9 ***	-.79	
	Effective Teaching Practices	41.7	42.4	-.05	✓	44.6 *	-.22	
<i>Campus Environment</i>	Quality of Interactions	45.6	44.0	.14	✓	46.0	-.04	✓
	Supportive Environment	36.3	39.4 *	-.24		41.4 ***	-.40	

Seniors		Regent Mean	Your seniors compared with					
			NSSE Top 50%			NSSE Top 10%		
Theme	Engagement Indicator		Mean	Effect size	✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
<i>Academic Challenge</i>	Higher-Order Learning	43.7	43.3	.03	✓	45.3	-.11	
	Reflective and Integrative Learning	43.2	41.1 **	.17	✓	43.1	.01	✓
	Learning Strategies	42.7	42.5	.02	✓	44.9 *	-.15	
	Quantitative Reasoning	23.1	31.3 ***	-.48		33.0 ***	-.59	
<i>Learning with Peers</i>	Collaborative Learning	17.2	35.4 ***	-1.31		37.7 ***	-1.50	
	Discussions with Diverse Others	39.4	43.9 ***	-.29		45.8 ***	-.42	
<i>Experiences with Faculty</i>	Student-Faculty Interaction	14.5	29.5 ***	-.93		34.4 ***	-1.22	
	Effective Teaching Practices	41.9	43.0	-.08	✓	45.1 ***	-.24	
<i>Campus Environment</i>	Quality of Interactions	46.1	45.3	.07	✓	47.4	-.11	
	Supportive Environment	36.6	36.1	.03	✓	39.0 *	-.18	

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

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 2013 and 2014 institutions, separately for first-year and senior students. Using this method, Engagement Indicator scores of institutions with relatively large standard errors were adjusted toward the mean of all students, while those with smaller standard errors received smaller corrections. As a result, schools with less stable data—even those with high average scores—may not be among the top scorers. NSSE does not publish the names of the top 50% and top 10% institutions because of our commitment not to release institutional results and our policy against ranking institutions.

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

#### Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mean statistics			Percentile <sup>d</sup> scores					Comparison 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>
<b>Academic Challenge</b>												
<b>Higher-Order Learning</b>												
Regent (N = 81)	40.6	14.5	1.61	10	30	40	50	60				
CCC&U	39.1	13.4	.15	20	30	40	50	60	7,844	1.6	.293	.117
Southeast	39.0	14.2	.05	15	30	40	50	60	84,693	1.7	.291	.117
NSSE 2014	38.3	13.9	.03	15	30	40	50	60	307,091	2.3	.130	.168
Top 50%	40.6	13.6	.03	20	30	40	50	60	191,347	.0	.976	.003
Top 10%	42.7	13.6	.07	20	35	40	55	60	35,466	-2.1	.173	-.151
<b>Reflective &amp; Integrative Learning</b>												
Regent (N = 83)	39.2	13.0	1.42	17	34	40	49	60				
CCC&U	36.7	11.9	.13	20	29	37	46	60	8,161	2.6	.051	.214
Southeast	35.3	12.9	.04	17	26	34	43	60	88,838	3.9	.005	.306
NSSE 2014	35.1	12.6	.02	17	26	34	43	60	321,073	4.2	.003	.330
Top 50%	37.3	12.5	.03	17	29	37	46	60	192,696	1.9	.162	.153
Top 10%	39.3	12.6	.06	20	31	40	49	60	41,333	.0	.983	-.002
<b>Learning Strategies</b>												
Regent (N = 79)	35.7	14.3	1.60	13	27	33	40	60				
CCC&U	39.1	14.1	.16	20	27	40	53	60	7,472	-3.4	.031	-.243
Southeast	39.9	14.2	.05	20	27	40	53	60	77,115	-4.2	.008	-.298
NSSE 2014	38.5	14.2	.03	13	27	40	47	60	284,973	-2.8	.077	-.198
Top 50%	41.2	14.0	.03	20	33	40	53	60	169,146	-5.6	.000	-.396
Top 10%	43.4	14.0	.07	20	33	40	60	60	35,891	-7.8	.000	-.552
<b>Quantitative Reasoning</b>												
Regent (N = 83)	20.7	15.1	1.66	0	7	20	33	47				
CCC&U	24.6	15.9	.18	0	13	20	33	53	8,014	-3.9	.025	-.247
Southeast	27.8	16.7	.06	0	20	27	40	60	86,161	-7.1	.000	-.426
NSSE 2014	26.5	16.4	.03	0	13	27	40	60	312,476	-5.8	.001	-.352
Top 50%	28.8	16.3	.03	0	20	27	40	60	246,488	-8.1	.000	-.495
Top 10%	30.6	16.2	.07	0	20	27	40	60	56,265	-9.9	.000	-.611
<b>Learning with Peers</b>												
<b>Collaborative Learning</b>												
Regent (N = 85)	22.9	16.0	1.73	0	10	25	35	50				
CCC&U	33.3	13.4	.15	15	25	30	40	60	85	-10.4	.000	-.775
Southeast	32.6	14.1	.05	10	20	30	40	60	91,378	-9.8	.000	-.693
NSSE 2014	32.3	14.1	.02	10	20	30	40	60	328,218	-9.4	.000	-.669
Top 50%	34.7	13.7	.03	15	25	35	45	60	84	-11.8	.000	-.865
Top 10%	37.0	13.6	.06	15	25	35	45	60	84	-14.2	.000	-1.040
<b>Discussions with Diverse Others</b>												
Regent (N = 77)	35.9	14.4	1.63	10	25	35	45	60				
CCC&U	38.5	14.3	.17	15	30	40	50	60	7,578	-2.6	.110	-.183
Southeast	41.6	16.1	.06	15	30	40	60	60	78,107	-5.7	.002	-.355
NSSE 2014	40.3	16.2	.03	10	30	40	55	60	288,270	-4.5	.015	-.276
Top 50%	43.2	15.4	.03	20	35	45	60	60	213,099	-7.4	.000	-.479
Top 10%	45.6	14.8	.07	20	40	50	60	60	44,599	-9.8	.000	-.658

### Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students

	Mean statistics			Percentile <sup>d</sup> scores					Comparison 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>
<b>Experiences with Faculty</b>												
<b>Student-Faculty Interaction</b>												
Regent (N = 83)	14.2	10.5	1.15	0	5	15	20	30				
CCC&U	20.0	13.6	.15	0	10	20	30	45	85	-5.8	.000	-.428
Southeast	21.0	15.1	.05	0	10	20	30	50	83	-6.8	.000	-.448
NSSE 2014	18.6	14.7	.03	0	5	15	25	50	82	-4.4	.000	-.298
Top 50%	23.3	15.0	.04	0	10	20	30	55	83	-9.1	.000	-.609
Top 10%	26.9	16.2	.11	5	15	25	40	60	84	-12.7	.000	-.787
<b>Effective Teaching Practices</b>												
Regent (N = 83)	41.7	12.5	1.37	20	32	40	52	60				
CCC&U	41.5	12.5	.14	20	32	40	52	60	8,083	.2	.886	.016
Southeast	40.0	13.6	.05	16	32	40	52	60	87,230	1.6	.270	.121
NSSE 2014	38.9	13.3	.02	16	28	40	48	60	316,342	2.8	.054	.211
Top 50%	42.4	13.2	.03	20	32	44	52	60	154,940	-.7	.628	-.053
Top 10%	44.6	13.3	.08	20	36	44	56	60	30,906	-3.0	.041	-.224
<b>Campus Environment</b>												
<b>Quality of Interactions</b>												
Regent (N = 72)	45.6	11.5	1.36	22	40	48	55	60				
CCC&U	45.0	11.7	.14	22	38	46	54	60	7,347	.6	.665	.051
Southeast	41.3	12.6	.05	18	34	42	50	60	75,346	4.2	.004	.335
NSSE 2014	40.8	12.7	.02	16	33	42	50	60	265,219	4.8	.001	.377
Top 50%	44.0	11.4	.03	22	38	46	52	60	130,906	1.6	.242	.138
Top 10%	46.0	11.6	.07	24	40	48	55	60	27,197	-.5	.727	-.041
<b>Supportive Environment</b>												
Regent (N = 72)	36.3	13.3	1.57	13	30	38	45	60				
CCC&U	38.3	13.5	.16	15	30	40	48	60	7,125	-2.1	.198	-.152
Southeast	38.3	13.9	.05	15	28	40	50	60	70,837	-2.1	.211	-.148
NSSE 2014	35.9	14.0	.03	13	25	38	45	60	266,163	.4	.817	.027
Top 50%	39.4	13.2	.03	18	30	40	50	60	171,464	-3.1	.045	-.236
Top 10%	41.4	12.8	.07	20	33	40	53	60	37,481	-5.1	.001	-.397

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 is the range of values that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean, equal to the sample mean  $\pm$  1.96 \* SEM.

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

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

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

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



#### Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mean statistics			Percentile <sup>d</sup> scores					Comparison 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>
<b>Academic Challenge</b>												
<b>Higher-Order Learning</b>												
Regent (N = 269)	43.7	14.0	.85	20	35	40	60	60				
CCC&U	42.1	13.4	.15	20	35	40	55	60	8,259	1.7	.046	.124
Southeast	41.5	14.3	.04	20	30	40	55	60	107,421	2.2	.010	.156
NSSE 2014	40.5	14.1	.02	15	30	40	50	60	367,779	3.2	.000	.227
Top 50%	43.3	13.7	.03	20	35	40	55	60	202,586	.5	.574	.034
Top 10%	45.3	13.6	.06	20	40	45	60	60	50,064	-1.5	.069	-.111
<b>Reflective &amp; Integrative Learning</b>												
Regent (N = 277)	43.2	12.3	.74	20	34	43	54	60				
CCC&U	40.9	12.2	.13	20	31	40	51	60	8,565	2.3	.002	.189
Southeast	38.7	13.2	.04	17	29	40	49	60	111,849	4.5	.000	.343
NSSE 2014	38.4	13.0	.02	17	29	37	49	60	382,634	4.8	.000	.369
Top 50%	41.1	12.6	.03	20	31	40	51	60	198,440	2.1	.005	.169
Top 10%	43.1	12.5	.06	20	34	43	54	60	43,507	.1	.854	.011
<b>Learning Strategies</b>												
Regent (N = 259)	42.7	14.3	.89	13	33	47	53	60				
CCC&U	39.6	14.7	.17	13	27	40	53	60	7,989	3.1	.001	.209
Southeast	41.5	14.7	.05	20	33	40	53	60	100,605	1.2	.182	.083
NSSE 2014	39.3	14.8	.03	13	27	40	53	60	347,442	3.4	.000	.230
Top 50%	42.5	14.5	.03	20	33	40	60	60	248,643	.2	.800	.016
Top 10%	44.9	14.1	.06	20	33	47	60	60	63,727	-2.2	.014	-.154
<b>Quantitative Reasoning</b>												
Regent (N = 275)	23.1	18.3	1.10	0	7	20	33	60				
CCC&U	28.0	17.1	.19	0	20	27	40	60	8,427	-4.9	.000	-.283
Southeast	30.7	17.5	.05	0	20	27	40	60	109,464	-7.6	.000	-.433
NSSE 2014	29.4	17.4	.03	0	20	27	40	60	374,728	-6.3	.000	-.362
Top 50%	31.3	17.2	.03	0	20	33	40	60	314,942	-8.2	.000	-.477
Top 10%	33.0	16.9	.06	0	20	33	47	60	78,815	-9.9	.000	-.586
<b>Learning with Peers</b>												
<b>Collaborative Learning</b>												
Regent (N = 272)	17.2	13.8	.84	0	5	15	25	40				
CCC&U	33.1	13.6	.15	10	25	30	40	60	8,587	-15.8	.000	-1.166
Southeast	33.5	14.7	.04	10	25	35	45	60	273	-16.3	.000	-1.109
NSSE 2014	33.0	14.4	.02	10	20	30	45	60	272	-15.8	.000	-1.096
Top 50%	35.4	13.8	.03	15	25	35	45	60	265,498	-18.1	.000	-1.315
Top 10%	37.7	13.6	.06	15	30	40	50	60	53,267	-20.5	.000	-1.501
<b>Discussions with Diverse Others</b>												
Regent (N = 265)	39.4	15.6	.96	15	30	40	55	60				
CCC&U	38.4	14.7	.17	15	30	40	50	60	8,046	.9	.306	.064
Southeast	43.1	16.2	.05	15	35	45	60	60	101,867	-3.8	.000	-.232
NSSE 2014	41.6	16.1	.03	15	30	40	60	60	350,976	-2.2	.026	-.137
Top 50%	43.9	15.8	.03	20	35	45	60	60	305,977	-4.6	.000	-.291
Top 10%	45.8	15.4	.05	20	40	50	60	60	79,188	-6.5	.000	-.422

### Detailed Statistics: Seniors

	Mean statistics			Percentile <sup>d</sup> scores					Comparison 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>
<b>Experiences with Faculty</b>												
<b>Student-Faculty Interaction</b>												
Regent (N = 275)	14.5	13.4	.81	0	5	10	20	45				
CCC&U	24.7	15.8	.18	0	15	20	35	55	300	-10.1	.000	-.644
Southeast	25.1	16.7	.05	0	10	20	35	60	276	-10.5	.000	-.630
NSSE 2014	23.3	16.3	.03	0	10	20	35	55	275	-8.8	.000	-.542
Top 50%	29.5	16.1	.05	5	20	30	40	60	276	-15.0	.000	-.932
Top 10%	34.4	16.4	.13	10	20	35	45	60	288	-19.9	.000	-1.217
<b>Effective Teaching Practices</b>												
Regent (N = 278)	41.9	14.6	.88	16	32	44	56	60				
CCC&U	41.9	13.0	.14	20	32	40	52	60	292	.1	.926	.006
Southeast	41.3	14.0	.04	16	32	40	52	60	110,686	.6	.462	.044
NSSE 2014	40.0	13.7	.02	16	32	40	52	60	278	1.9	.028	.141
Top 50%	43.0	13.6	.03	20	36	44	56	60	278	-1.1	.204	-.082
Top 10%	45.1	13.4	.08	20	36	48	60	60	281	-3.2	.000	-.238
<b>Campus Environment</b>												
<b>Quality of Interactions</b>												
Regent (N = 241)	46.1	13.5	.87	18	40	50	58	60				
CCC&U	45.8	11.0	.13	24	40	48	54	60	250	.3	.742	.026
Southeast	42.8	12.0	.04	20	36	44	52	60	241	3.3	.000	.277
NSSE 2014	41.8	12.0	.02	20	34	43	50	60	240	4.3	.000	.356
Top 50%	45.3	11.3	.03	24	38	48	54	60	240	.8	.337	.074
Top 10%	47.4	11.6	.06	24	40	50	58	60	242	-1.3	.151	-.108
<b>Supportive Environment</b>												
Regent (N = 254)	36.6	16.7	1.05	8	23	38	50	60				
CCC&U	34.5	14.2	.16	10	25	35	45	60	266	2.0	.058	.142
Southeast	34.8	14.6	.05	10	25	35	45	60	254	1.8	.087	.123
NSSE 2014	32.6	14.4	.02	10	23	33	43	60	253	4.0	.000	.277
Top 50%	36.1	13.8	.03	13	28	38	45	60	253	.5	.652	.034
Top 10%	39.0	13.3	.07	17	30	40	50	60	256	-2.4	.023	-.180

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 is the range of values that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean, equal to the sample mean +/- 1.96 \* SEM.

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.