NSSE asks first-year and senior students about a wide range of educationally purposeful activities (for more information, see page 4). This Snapshot is a concise collection of key findings from your institution's NSSE 2013 participation. We hope this information stimulates discussion on your campus about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these results, including statistical test results, can be found in the reports referenced throughout.

### Engagement Indicators

Sets of items are grouped into ten Engagement Indicators, which fit within four themes of engagement. At right are summary results for your institution. For details, see your Engagement Indicators report.

**Key:**
- △ Your students’ average was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.
- ▲ Your students’ average was significantly lower (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 at least .3 in magnitude.

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### High-Impact Practices (HIPS)

Due to their positive associations with student learning and retention, special undergraduate opportunities are designated “high-impact.” For more details and statistical comparisons, see your High-Impact Practices report.

**First-year**  
Learning Communities, Service-Learning, and Research w/Faculty

**Senior**  
Learning Communities, Service-Learning, Research w/Faculty, Internships, Study Abroad, and Culminating Experiences

![Bar chart showing participation in HIPS]

### Administration Summary

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<td>First-year</td>
<td>106</td>
<td>14%</td>
<td>75%</td>
<td>100%</td>
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<td>315</td>
<td>22%</td>
<td>67%</td>
<td>78%</td>
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### Additional Questions

Your institution administered the following additional question set(s):

Experiences with Diverse Perspectives

Refer to your Topical Module report(s) for complete results.
Academic Challenge: Additional Results

The Academic Challenge theme contains four Engagement Indicators (HO, RI, LS, QR) as well as several important individual items. The results presented here provide an overview of these individual items. For more information about the Academic Challenge theme, see your Engagement Indicators report. To further explore individual item results, see your Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons, the Major Field Report, or the NSSE Institutional Report Builder (described on p. 4).

Time Spent Preparing for Class

This figure reports the average weekly class preparation time for your first-year and senior students compared to students in your comparison group.

Reading and Writing

These figures report the average number of hours your students spent reading for their courses and the average number of pages of assigned writing compared to students in your comparison group.

Challenging Courses

To what extent did your students' courses challenge them to do their best work? Response options ranged from 1 = "Not at all" to 7 = "Very much."

Academic Emphasis

How much did students say their institution emphasizes spending significant time studying and on academic work? Response options included "Very much," "Quite a bit," "Some," and "Very little."
Item Comparisons
By examining individual NSSE questions, you can better understand what contributes to your institution's performance on Engagement Indicators and High-Impact Practices. This section displays the five questions a on which your first-year and senior students scored the highest and the five questions on which they scored the lowest, relative to students in your comparison group. Parenthetical notes indicate whether an item belongs to a specific Engagement Indicator or is a High-Impact Practice. While these questions represent the largest differences (in percentage points), they may not be the most important to your institutional mission or current program or policy goals. For additional results, refer to your Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons report.

First-year

Highest Performing Relative to Far West Public
Instructors... Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress (ET)
Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue (RI)
Connected your learning to societal problems or issues (RI)
Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments (RI)
Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source (HO)

Lowest Performing Relative to Far West Public
Reviewed your notes after class (LS)
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (QR)
Quality of interactions with... Academic advisors (QI)
Inst. emphasizes... Providing opportunities to be involved socially (SE)
Inst. emphasizes... Attending campus activities and events (SE)

Senior

Highest Performing Relative to Far West Public
Inst. emphasizes... Using learning support services (SE)
Quality of interactions with... Faculty (QI)
Completed a culminating senior experience (HIP)
Inst. emphasizes... Providing support to help students succeed academically (SE)
Quality of interactions with... Student services staff (QI)

Lowest Performing Relative to Far West Public
Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information (QR)
Participated in a learning community or some other formal program where... (HIP)
Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (QR)
Inst. emphasizes... Providing support for your overall well-being (SE)
Participated in an internship, co-op, field exp., student teach., clinical placement. (HIP)

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a. The displays on this page draw from the 53 items that make up the ten Engagement Indicators and six High-Impact Practices. Key to abbreviations: HO = Higher-Order Learning, RI = Reflective & Integrative Learning, LS = Learning Strategies, QR = Quantitative Reasoning, CL = Collaborative Learning, DD = Discussions with Diverse Others, SF = Student-Faculty Interaction, ET = Effective Teaching Practices, QI = Quality of Interactions, SE = Supportive Environment, HIP = High-Impact Practice.

b. Combination of students responding "Very often" or "Often."

c. Combination of students responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit."

d. Rated at least 6 on a 7-point scale.

e. Percentage reporting at least "Some."
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How Students Assess their Experience
Students’ perceptions of their cognitive and affective development, as well as their overall satisfaction with the institution, provide useful evidence of their educational experiences. For more details, refer to your Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons report.

Perceived Gains Among Seniors
Students reported how much their experience at your institution contributed to their knowledge, skills, and personal development in ten areas.

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<td>Thinking critically and analytically</td>
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<td>Writing clearly and effectively</td>
<td>73%</td>
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<td>Working effectively with others</td>
<td>72%</td>
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<td>Being an informed and active citizen</td>
<td>70%</td>
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<td>Speaking clearly and effectively</td>
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<td>Understanding people of other backgrounds (econ., racial/ethnic, polit., relig., nation., etc.)</td>
<td>68%</td>
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<td>Analyzing numerical and statistical information</td>
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<td>Acquiring job- or work-related knowledge and skills</td>
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<td>Developing or clarifying a personal code of values and ethics</td>
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Satisfaction with CSUCI
Students rated their overall experience at your institution and whether they would attend your institution again.

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What is NSSE?
NSSE annually collects information at hundreds of four-year colleges and universities about student participation in activities and programs that promote their learning and personal development. The results provide an estimate of how undergraduates spend their time and what they gain from attending their college or university. Institutions use their data to identify aspects of the undergraduate experience that can be improved through changes in policy and practice.

NSSE has been in operation since 2000 and has been used at more than 1,500 colleges and universities in the US and Canada. More than 90% of participating institutions administer the survey on a periodic basis.

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Try the Institutional Report Builder
The NSSE Institutional Report Builder, to be updated with 2013 results in early fall, is an interactive tool for participating institutions to instantly generate custom reports using their NSSE data. Create tables of Engagement Indicator statistics or item frequencies that compare subgroups of students within your institution, or that compare your students to those from a customized comparison group. Access the Institutional Report Builder via the Institution Interface. nsse.iub.edu/links/interface