Experiences with Writing Module
NSSE 2016

For the purpose of these questions, a writing assignment is broadly defined to include not only written papers, but also lab reports, multimedia projects, web pages, posters, PowerPoint presentations, and so on.

Question 1. During the current school year, for how many writing assignments have you done the following?

1a. WRJ01a  Talked with a classmate, friend, or family member to develop your ideas before starting your assignment
1b. WRJ01b  Received feedback from a classmate, friend, or family member about a draft before turning in your final assignment
1c. WRJ01c  Given feedback to a classmate about a draft or outline he or she had written
1d. WRJ01d  Summarized material you read such as articles, books, or online publications
1e. WRJ01e  Analyzed or evaluated something you read, researched, or observed
1f. WRJ01f  Described your methods or findings related to data you collected in lab or field work, a survey project, etc.
1g. WRJ01g  Argued a position using evidence and reasoning
1h. WRJ01h  Explained in writing the meaning of numerical or statistical data
1i. WRJ01i  Written in the style and format of a specific field (engineering, history, psychology, etc.)
1j. WRJ01j  Addressed a real or imagined audience such as your classmates, a politician, non-experts, etc.

Question 2. During the current school year, for how many of your writing assignments has your instructor done the following?

2a. WRJ02a  Provided clear instructions describing what he or she wanted you to do
2b. WRJ02b  Explained in advance what he or she wanted you to learn
2c. WRJ02c  Explained in advance the criteria he or she would use to grade your assignment

1 = No writing assignments
2 = Few writing assignments
3 = Some writing assignments
4 = Most writing assignments
5 = All writing assignments

a. Engagement Indicator items. Key to abbreviations on page 19.