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National Survey of Student Engagement

What it's about—

You are invited to participate in a research study about your university experiences. The information from this National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) is used by faculty and administrators at your institution and by other higher education leaders to improve the university experiences of undergrads. Study participants are primarily first-year and senior students selected from the bachelor's degree-seeking students at your institution.

Students from universities across the country are also being asked these same questions — about how they spend their free time, what they feel they have gained from classes, and their interaction with faculty and other students. Filling out the questionnaire takes about 15 minutes. Your participation is completely voluntary. Declining participation or leaving the study will not result in any penalty or loss of benefits to which you are entitled.

Things you should know—

This survey is conducted on behalf of your institution by the Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research; we will send your identified responses to your university for institutional assessment. Your university and the Center will make every effort to keep your responses confidential, although we cannot guarantee absolute confidentiality. No information associated with your name will ever be released publicly, but personally identifiable survey responses may be inspected by university and government organizations when required by law.

If you have questions at any time about the study or the procedures, you may contact the National Survey of Student Engagement at nsse@indiana.edu or by calling 812-856-5824.

For questions about your rights as a research participant or to discuss problems, complaints or concerns about a research study, or to obtain information, or offer input, contact the IUB Human Subjects office, 530 E Kirkwood Ave, Carmichael Center, L03, Bloomington IN 47408, 812-855-3067 or by e-mail at iub_hsc@indiana.edu.

On to the survey-

If you have read this form and agree to take part in this survey, click the "Proceed to the survey" button.

Proceed to the survey

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In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following? Very Some-

often

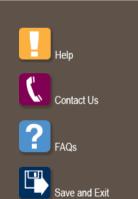
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Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions Made a class presentation Prepared two or more drafts of a paper or

Often

times

Never



assignment before turning it in Worked on a paper or project that required integrating ideas or information from various sources Included diverse perspectives (different races, religions, genders, political beliefs, etc.) in class discussions or writing assignments Come to class without completing readings or assignments Worked with other students on projects during class Worked with classmates outside of class to

Continue

prepare class assignments











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In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following?

	Very often	Often	Some- times	Never	
Put together ideas or concepts from different courses when completing assignments or during class discussions					
Tutored or taught other students (paid or voluntary)	00	100	0	•	
Participated in a community-based project (e.g., service learning) as part of a regular course					
Used an electronic medium (listserv, chat group, Internet, instant messaging, etc.) to discuss or complete an assignment	•		٠	0	
Used e-mail to communicate with an instructor					
Discussed grades or assignments with an instructor	0	0	0	0	
Talked about career plans with a faculty member or advisor					
Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with faculty members outside of class	00	•	•	0	









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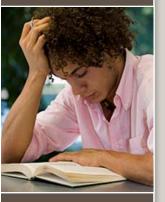


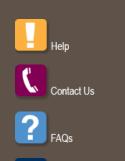
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In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following?

	Very often	Often	Some- times	Never
Received prompt written or oral feedback from faculty on your academic performance				
Worked harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations	0	0	•	0
Worked with faculty members on activities other than coursework (committees, orientation, student life activities, etc.)				
Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.)	0	0	•	0
Had serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity than your own				
Had serious conversations with students who are very different from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values	0	0	0	0







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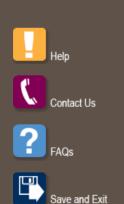
During the current school year, how much has your coursework emphasized the following mental activities?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
Memorizing facts, ideas, or methods from your courses and readings so you can repeat them in pretty much the same form				
Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory, such as examining a particular case or situation in depth and considering its components	•	0	•	•
Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships				
Making judgments about the value of information, arguments, or methods, such as examining how others gathered and interpreted data and assessing the soundness of their conclusions	•	•	•	0
Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations				









During the current **school year**, about how much reading and writing have you done? Number of assigned textbooks, books, or book-length packs of course readings

None 1-4 5-10 11-20 More than 20

Number of books read on your own (not assigned) for personal enjoyment or academic enrichment

None 1-4 5-10 11-20 More than 20

Number of written papers or reports of 20 pages or more

None 1-4 5-10 11-20 More than 20

Number of written papers or reports **between 5 and 19 pages**

None 1-4 5-10 11-20 More than 20

Number of written papers or reports of ${\bf fewer\ than\ 5\ pages}$

None 1-4 5-10 11-20 More than 20













In a **typical week**, how many homework problem sets or problem-based homework assignments do you complete?

	None	1-2	3-4	5-6	More than 6	
Number of problem sets or problem-based homework assignments that take you more than an hour to complete						
Number of problem sets or problem-based homework assignments that take you less than an hour to complete	0	0	0	0	•	











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Select the circle that best represents the extent to which your examinations during the current school year have challenged you to do your best work.

Very little						Very much
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1	2		4	5	6	7













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During the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following?

	Very often	Often	Some- times	Never
Attended an art exhibit, play, dance, music, theater, or other performance				
Exercised or participated in physical fitness activities	0	0	0	•
Participated in activities to enhance your spirituality (worship, meditation, prayer, etc.)				
Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	0	0	0	•
Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective				
Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	0	•	0	0











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Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate from your institution?

	Done	Plan to do	Do not plan to do	Have not decided
Practicum, internship, field experience, co-op experience, or clinical assignment				
Community service or volunteer work	00	0	0	(0)
Participate in a learning community or some other formal program where groups of students take two or more classes together				
Work on a research project with a faculty member outside of course or program requirements	0	۰	0	
Coursework in a foreign or additional language				
Study abroad	0	0	0	0
Independent study or self-designed major				
Culminating senior experience (capstone course, senior project or thesis, comprehensive exam, etc.)	000	0	0	0











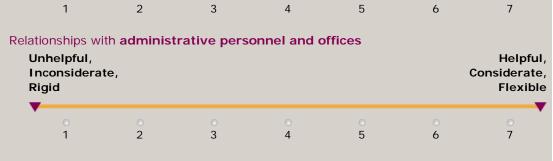
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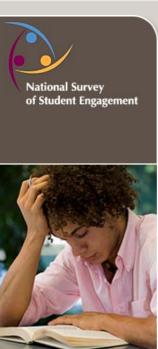


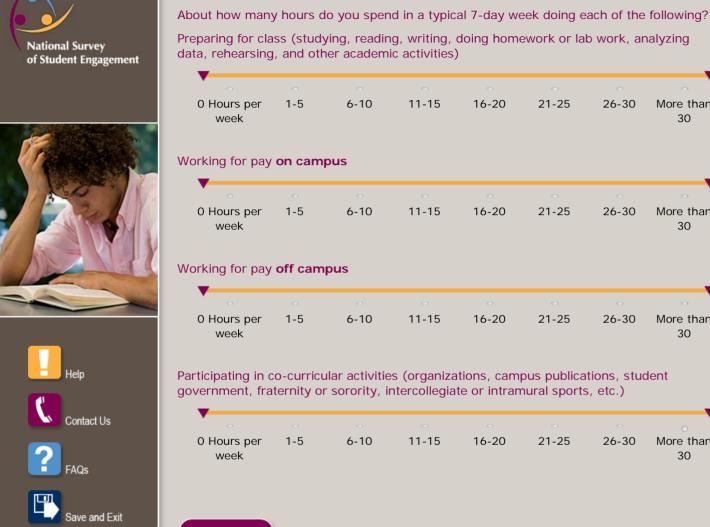
Select the circle that best represents the quality of your relationships with people at your institution.

Relationships with other students

Unfriendly, Unsupportiv Sense of ali	•				Sense	Friendly, Supportive, of belonging
o 1	2	3	<u>0</u> 4	<u>0</u> 5	<u>0</u> 6	
Relationships w	ith faculty m	nembers				
Unavailable Unhelpful, Unsympathe	•					Available, Helpful, Sympathetic







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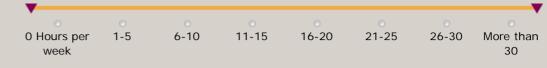
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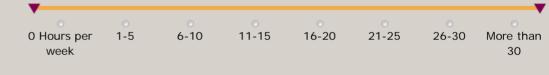
About how many hours do you spend in a typical 7-day week doing each of the following? Relaxing and socializing (watching TV, partying, etc.)



Providing care for dependents living with you (parents, children, spouse, etc.)



Commuting to class (driving, walking, etc.)













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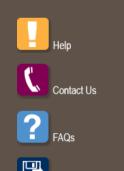
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To what extent does your institution emphasize each of the following?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little	
Spending significant amounts of time studying and on academic work					
Providing the support you need to help you succeed academically		00	, e ;		
Encouraging contact among students from different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds					
Helping you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	0	0	0		
Providing the support you need to thrive socially					
Attending campus events and activities (special speakers, cultural performances, athletic events, etc.)	0	0	0	0	
Using computers in academic work					







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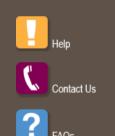
To what extent has your experience at this institution contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
Acquiring a broad general education				
Acquiring job or work-related knowledge and skills	0	0	0	•
Writing clearly and effectively				
Speaking clearly and effectively	0	0	0	00
Thinking critically and analytically				
Analyzing quantitative problems	0		0	00
Using computing and information technology				
Working effectively with others	•	0	0	•











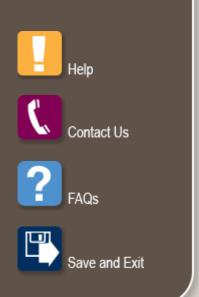
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To what extent has your experience at this institution contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little	
Voting in local, provincial, or federal elections					
Learning effectively on your own	0	100	000	000	
Understanding yourself					
Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds	0	6	0	0	
Solving complex real-world problems					
Developing a personal code of values and ethics	0	0	•	0	
Contributing to the welfare of your community					
Developing a deepened sense of spirituality	000	00	0	0	







Overall, how would you evaluate the quality of academic advising you have received at your institution?

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this institution?

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

If you could start over again, would you go to the **same institution** you are now attending?

- Definitely yes
- Probably yes
- Probably no
- Definitely no













Select your year of birth:

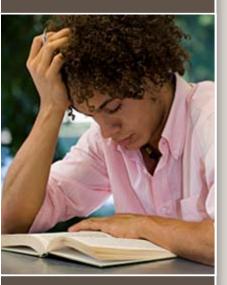
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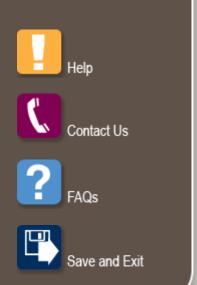
If other year, enter here: 19

Your sex:

- Male
- Female







Are you a Canadian citizen?

- Yes
- No

Ethno-cultural information is collected to support programs that promote equal opportunity for everyone. Are you ...

Select all that apply:

- White
- North American Indian
- Métis
- Inuit
- Chinese
- South Asian (e.g., East Indian, Pakistani, Sri Lankan, etc.)
- Black
- Filipino
- Latin American
- Southeast Asian (e.g., Cambodian, Indonesian, Laotian, Vietnamese, etc.)

- Arab (e.g., Saudi, Egyptian, etc.)
- West Asian (e.g., Afghan, Iranian, etc.)
- Japanese
- Korean
- Other

To which ethnic or cultural group(s) did your ancestors belong? For example, Canadian, French, English, Chinese, Italian, German, Scottish, Irish, Cree, Micmac, Métis, Inuit, East Indian, Ukrainian, Dutch, Polish, Portuguese, Filipino, Jewish, Greek, Jamaican, Vietnamese, Lebanese, etc. Specify as many groups as applicable.













What is your current classification in university?

- 1st year
- 2nd year
- 3rd year
- 4th year
- Unclassified

Did you begin university at your current institution or elsewhere?

- Started here
- Started elsewhere

Since graduating from high school, which of the following types of schools have you attended other than the one you are attending now? (Select all that apply.)

- Community college (vocational or technical courses not at university level)
- Community college (university credit/transfer courses)
- University other than this one
- CEGEP (general or pre-university program)
- CEGEP (professional or technical program)
- Private training institution
- None
- Other













Thinking about this current academic term...

How would you characterize your enrollment?

- Full-time
- Less than full-time

Are you taking all courses entirely online?

- Yes
- No











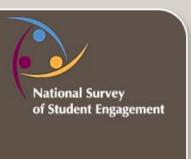


Are you a member of a social fraternity or sorority?

- Yes
- O No

Are you a student-athlete on a team sponsored by your institution's athletics department?

- Yes
- No











On what team(s) sponsored by your institution's athletics department are you an athlete? (Select all that apply.)

Water Polo

Other, specify:

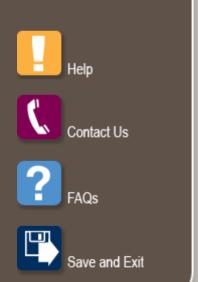
Wrestling

- Baseball Basketball
- Bowling Cross Country
- Fencing
- □ Field Hockey
- Football □ Golf
- Gymnastics
- Ice Hockey

- Track
- & Field
- Lacrosse
- Rifle
- Rowing Skiing
- Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming
- & Diving Tennis
- Volleyball







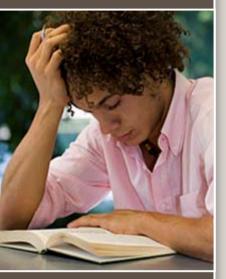
What have most of your grades been up to now at this institution?

- A
- A-
- 0 B+
- B
- B-
- O C+
- C
- C- or lower

Which of the following best describes where you are living now while attending university?

- Room or apartment in university residence or campus housing
- Off-campus accommodation within walking distance of campus
- Off-campus accommodation within driving distance of campus
- Fraternity or sorority house
- None of the above









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What is the highest level of education that your father completed?

- Did not finish high school
- Graduated from high school
- Some or completed college or CEGEP
- Attended university without earning degree
- Completed a bachelor's degree (B.A., B.Sc., etc.)
- Completed a master's degree (M.A., M.Sc., etc.)
- O Completed a doctoral degree (Ph.D., J.D., M.D., etc.)

What is the highest level of education that your mother completed?

- Did not finish high school
- Graduated from high school
- Some or completed college or CEGEP
- Attended university without earning degree
- Completed a bachelor's degree (B.A., B.Sc., etc.)
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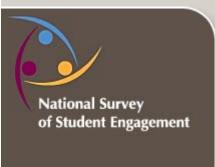


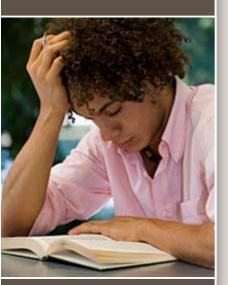


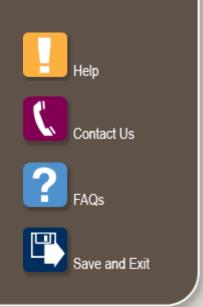


Please enter your major(s) or your expected major(s). Primary major (Enter only one.):

If applicable, second major (not minor, concentration, etc.):







We're sorry, but we weren't able to identify the primary major you entered.

Please select the response below that most closely matches your **primary** major.

Select from a general area below to view a list of specific majors.

Expand all categories

Contract all categories

Arts & Humanities:

Biological Science:

Business:

Education:

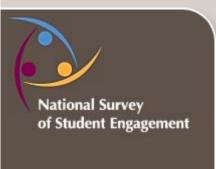
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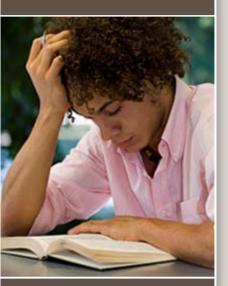
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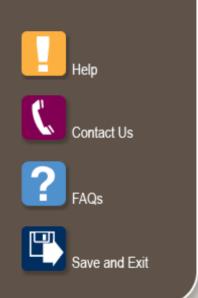
Professional:

Social Science:

Other:







We're sorry, but we weren't able to identify the second major you entered.

Please select the response below that most closely matches your **second** major.

Select from a general area below to view a list of specific majors.

Expand all categories

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Biological Science:

Business:

Education:

Engineering:

Physical Science:

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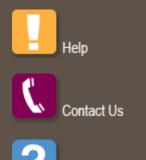
Social Science:

Other:



If you have any additional comments or feedback that you'd like to share on the quality of your educational experience, please type them below.

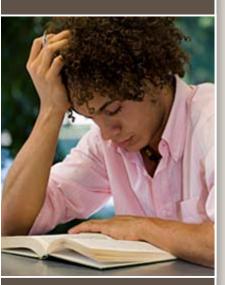


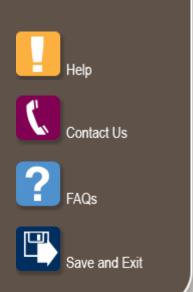












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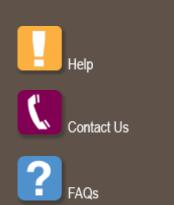
Your responses to the survey were successfully submitted.

Questions or comments? Contact us.

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For technical questions regarding the survey:

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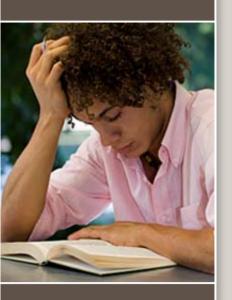
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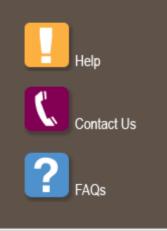
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Common Problems

Submit Button Doesn't Respond

Returning to a Previous Page

Use your browser's back button to return to a previous page in the survey. After you finish reviewing the previous page or changing answers, select the "Continue" button to return.

Using Radio Buttons

To select a radio button, move your mouse pointer over the radio button you wish to select and click once. If you want to change your answer, just click another radio button under the same question and your previous mark will be deleted.



Using Checkboxes

Selecting a checkbox is almost exactly like selecting a radio T, button. Move your mouse cursor over the checkbox you wish to select and click once. Checkboxes work a bit differently when it comes to deselecting compared to radio buttons. With checkboxes one must actually reclick the selection again for the check mark to go away because more than one checkbox can be selected under a single question.



Using Textboxes

To put your answer into a textbox move your mouse pointer over any part of the textbox and click once. Then just type in your answer



using the keyboard. To delete an answer double-click in the box (the text should now be highlighted) and then press either the "Backspace" or "Delete" key. When you have the correct answer in the textbox, proceed to the next question or submit button.

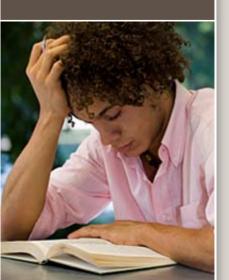
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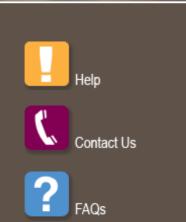
"I keep clicking the submit/next page/continue button, but nothing happens." -

Repeatedly clicking a submit button does not make any page on the web load faster. When you click a submit button, the process of sending your information and moving onto the next page begins. If the button is clicked again, then the progress so far is abandoned, and the process starts over again from the beginning.

If it takes a long time for anything to occur after you press a submit button, it is probably because of a slow network connection, heavy network traffic, or other similar problems. In any case, the fastest procedure is to click the submit button once and wait for the network to transfer your information and load the next page. Repeatedly clicking the button will only slow the process down.







Frequently Asked Questions

Survey Details

What is the National Survey of Student Engagement?

Survey Administration

How did you get my name?

Why don't you ask someone else?

Data Reporting What will you do with the data?

Will my answers be shared with the institution?

Are you surveying my institution only?

Are my survey responses anonymous?

Are my survey responses confidential?

Why should I complete the survey?

Reasons to Participate

I get surveyed all the time. How is this survey different?

Who is in charge of the survey?

What is the National Survey of Student Engagement?

views and describe their experiences.

The National Survey of Student Engagement, or NSSE, is a survey

specially designed for students like you to provide information about your undergraduate experience, including your views about the quality of your education and how you spend your time. The survey has a very broad scope in that your institution is one of more than 650 universities and colleges in the US and Canada using the survey this spring. But the main reason your institution is participating is that it wants to learn more about what students think and do so it can improve the undergraduate program. This year more than 1,400,000 students will be invited to express their

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When your institution got involved in this project it gave us a data file

How did you get my name?

with the names and mailing addresses of all first-year and final-year

students. Every first-year student and every final-year student at your institution had an equal chance of being chosen because the names were randomly selected from the list your institution provided. At some institutions, all students will be surveyed. Return to top

Why don't you ask someone else?

some institutions also survey additional students to get more useful

results. Random sampling and high response rates are critical to collecting statistically valid results. Collecting valid data will help your institution make better decisions about improving undergraduate education. Return to top

This survey is being completed by a random sample of students, although

We will present data to your institution in an Institutional Report that

summarizes the responses from all students who completed the survey at your institution. This report includes a data file that your institution can

What will you do with the data?

use to examine the information in different ways; examples might include comparing the experiences of women and men or learning about the experiences of students in different major fields. This is extremely valuable because most institutions do not have good information about how students spend their time and what they think of their institution. In addition, your institution's data will be combined with data from students at all participating institutions, and will be compared with data

from other institutions to generate an overall view of the undergraduate student experience. The overall data set will be used to conduct research

to improve undergraduate education. Individual student responses are not identifiable in any reports we produce. **Return to top** Will my answers be shared with the institution?

Absolutely. One of the most important reasons to do this survey is so that

your institution discovers what you and other students at your institution do and think.

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In spring #request.currentYear#, more than 650 institutions will be involved in the survey. This is an annual study, so the information you provide now will become part of a database that be used for some time to come as people compare your responses with students in the future.

No. When we send the final survey data file to your institution, your responses will be linked to the unique ID number your institution

Are my survey responses anonymous?

provided us. In some cases this number will be your institutional student ID number, while in other cases they will assign you a number specific to this study. Though your institution can identify your responses, however, we use measures to ensure the confidentiality of your responses so that

Return to top Are my survey responses confidential? Yes. Confidentiality of student data is a high priority at NSSE. NSSE will only release survey responses identified by student to the institution at which that student is enrolled, and even then only to personnel designated as our official contacts at that institution.

no one besides your institution can do so.

Why should I complete the survey? Simply put, your institution needs to know what you think of your

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educational experience, the kinds of activities you do, and how you are benefiting from your studies. Without this information, it's not very easy for faculty and staff at your institution to identify the areas that can and

should be improved. And because you were randomly selected from among your classmates to represent your institution, it's important that you make your views known in order for the results to be valid. The more your institution knows about its students and what they do there, the more likely it is that faculty, academic and student life administrators and others can take appropriate action that will improve undergraduate education. Return to top

I get surveyed all the time. How is this survey different? Have you heard the expression, "think globally, act locally?" This is an international project with immediate local implications. That is, thousands of students in the US and Canada are getting the same survey. And people will be interested in what undergraduate students as a group think about their education. But it's also important that your institution find out directly from you about your experience and then share what it learns through comparisons with other institutions. This will give your faculty

and administrators an answer to the question: "How well are we doing?" Finally, this survey differs from most others you get because what you say will become part of a continuing study that people at your institution as well as hundreds of other institutions will continue to use for the foreseeable future. So, your answers will not only help your institution, but many others as well.

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Who is in charge of the survey?

The project is located at Indiana University Bloomington and is directed by Alexander C. McCormick, a faculty member in the School of Education... The Center for Survey Research at IUB, directed by John Kennedy, administers the surveys. These people are supported by dozens of others who help design, package, mail, and collect the surveys and then analyze

and report the results to your institution and the other participating

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institutions.