2015 Invitation to Participate

“Using NSSE and FSSE on Luther’s campus has helped focus and change the types of conversations we’re having. It has helped us think about learning and student engagement in ways that are new and different for us.”

— Jon Christy, Director of Assessment and Institutional Research, Luther College

How & When Do We Register for FSSE or FSSE-G 2015?

▪ Register online at fsse.iub.edu
▪ The deadline to register is September 25, 2014.
▪ Questions? Call 866-435-6773 toll free or email fsse@indiana.edu.

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A project of the National Survey of Student Engagement
The Faculty Survey of Student Engagement (FSSE) was designed to complement the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE), which is administered to undergraduate students. FSSE measures faculty expectations for student engagement in educational practices that are empirically linked with student learning and development. Although some graduate student instructors (GSIs) participate in regular FSSE administrations every year, FSSE is not intended to query GSIs in particular. FSSE-G is designed to capture the experiences, professional development, and perceptions of graduate students who teach undergraduates.

FSSE and FSSE-G focus on the following:

- How often faculty and GSIs use effective teaching strategies;
- How much faculty and GSIs encourage students to collaborate;
- The nature and frequency of faculty-student and GSI-student interactions;
- Opportunities for students to engage diverse perspectives;
- The importance faculty place on increasing institutional support for students;
- The importance GSIs place on professional development;
- The importance faculty and GSIs place on various areas of learning and development; and
- How faculty members and GSIs organize their time, both in and out of the classroom.

Since its inception, more than 214,000 faculty members from more than 740 colleges and universities have participated in FSSE. In the spring of 2014, FSSE-G was pilot tested at about 10 large research universities with over 10,000 GSIs.

Why Participate in FSSE or FSSE-G?

Information from faculty members and graduate student instructors who teach undergraduates at your institution helps contextualize findings from students. FSSE and FSSE-G results, particularly in combination with those from NSSE, can be a catalyst for productive discussions related to teaching, learning, and the quality of your undergraduates’ educational experiences. Institutions can use FSSE and FSSE-G results in many ways, including for accreditation and self-studies, assessment and improvement, curricular reform, professional development, institutional research, faculty and graduate student instructor workshops and retreats, and the scholarship of teaching and learning (SoTL).

To enhance clarity and applicability and to complement the updated version of NSSE, launched in 2013, the FSSE and FSSE-G instruments contain updated and revised items as well as new measures of teaching and learning. Institutions are welcome to participate in 2015 administrations of FSSE only, FSSE-G only, or both.
What Does It Cost to Participate in FSSE?

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Type of Extra Item Set | Fee
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1st topical module\(^a\) | No charge
2nd topical module\(^a\) | $150
FSSE consortium items\(^b\) | $150

\(^a\) Topical modules are extra item sets focused on engagement-related topics that institutions can append to the FSSE instrument.

\(^b\) Institutions participating in a NSSE consortium may add FSSE consortium questions when available. Institutions that do so can add only one topical module.

What Does It Cost to Participate in FSSE-G?

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How Are FSSE and FSSE-G Administered?

FSSE staff handles all aspects of survey administration including invitations, follow-up messages, delivery of the online survey, compilations of data, and analysis of results. Institutions should also note the following:

- FSSE and FSSE-G will be administered in spring 2015 at participating bachelor’s-granting colleges and universities.
- Each institution provides the names and email addresses of its selected sample of faculty and/or graduate student instructors who have taught at least one undergraduate course in the 2014–15 academic year.
- Customization options for FSSE include a selection of topical modules, the addition of parallel NSSE consortium or system questions, and the adaptation of disciplines to complement NSSE major groupings.
- Participant responses are anonymous to their institutions.

We strongly recommend that each institution contact participating faculty members and graduate student instructors prior to survey administration to indicate the institution’s support for the survey.
What Does a Participating Institution Receive?

FSSE and FSSE-G institutions receive detailed analyses including:
- Customized reports of faculty and GSI responses
- A report of faculty and GSI responses by disciplinary area
- A data file of faculty and GSI responses
- An overview of the FSSE 2015 and FSSE-G 2015 institutions and respondents
- A report based on faculty and student participation in effective educational practices for institutions that pair administrations of NSSE and FSSE
- The NSSE Annual Results, which includes findings based on FSSE and FSSE-G results

For examples of these materials and additional information visit fsse.iub.edu.