



NSSE -The College Student Report - Voluntary System of Accountability (VSA) Item Codebook Updated for NSSE 2013

NSSE Item #	NSSE Variable (TBA)	NSSE 2013 Variable Label	NSSE 2012 and earlier VSA Categories and Survey Statement	VSA Response Values (Sum of Percentages of Included Response Values)
Group Learning Experiences*				
Question 1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?				
1h	CLproject	Worked with other students on projects or assignments	Percent of seniors worked with classmates on assignments outside of class.	Very often; Often; Sometimes (Exclude Never)
1f	CLexplain	Explained course material to one or more students	Percent of seniors tutored or taught other students	Very often; Often; Sometimes (Exclude Never)
Question 15. About how many hours do you spend in a typical 7-day week doing the following?				
15b	tmcocurr	Participating in co-curricular activities (organizations, campus publications, student government, fraternity or sorority, intercollegiate or intramural sports, etc.)	Percent of seniors spent at least 6 hours per week participating in co-curricular activities such as student organizations and intramural sports	6-10 hours; 11-15; 16-20; 21-25; 26-30; More than 30 (Exclude 0; 1-5)
Active Learning Experiences*				
Question 1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?				
1i	present	Gave a course presentation	Percent of seniors made at least one class presentation last year	Very often; Often; Sometimes (Exclude Never)
Question 11. Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate?				
11a	intern	Participate in an internship, co-op, field experience, student teaching, or clinical placement	Percent of seniors participated in an internship, practicum, or field experience	Done (Exclude Plan to do; Do not plan to do; Have not decided)
11e	research	Work with a faculty member on a research project	Percent of seniors worked on a research project with a faculty member	Done (Exclude Plan to do; Do not plan to do; Have not decided)
11d	abroad	Participate in a study abroad program	Percent of seniors participated in study abroad	Done (Exclude Plan to do; Do not plan to do; Have not decided)
Question 15. About how many hours do you spend in a typical 7-day week doing the following?				
15a	tmprep	Preparing for class (studying, reading, writing, doing homework or lab work, analyzing data, rehearsing, and other academic activities)	Percent of seniors spent at least 6 hours per week preparing for class	6-10 hours; 11-15; 16-20; 21-25; 26-30; More than 30 (Exclude 0; 1-5)
15e	tmservice	Doing community service or volunteer work	Percent of seniors participated in community service or volunteer work	6-10 hours; 11-15; 16-20; 21-25; 26-30; More than 30 (Exclude 0; 1-5)
Institutional Commitment to Student Learning and Success*				
Question 10. During the current school year, to what extent have your courses challenged you to do your best work?				
10	challenge	During the current school year, to what extent have your courses challenged you to do your best work?	Percent of seniors reported working harder than they thought they could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations	5; 6; 7; Very much (Exclude Not at all 1; 2; 3; 4)

* According to the VSA, academic research has shown this area to be correlated with increased student learning and development

Question 13. Indicate the quality of your interactions with the following people at your institution.

13b	QIadvisor	Academic advisors	Percent of seniors rated the quality of academic advising at this institution as good or excellent	5; 6; 7; Excellent (Exclude Poor; 1; 2; 3; 4)
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Question 14. How much does your institution emphasize the following?

14b	SEacademic	Providing support to help students succeed academically	Percent of seniors believe this institution provides support for student success	Very much; Quite a bit; Some (Exclude Very Little)
14g	SEnonacad	Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family etc.)	Percent of seniors reported that this institution provided help in coping with work, family and other non-academic responsibilities	Very much; Quite a bit; Some (Exclude Very Little)

Student Satisfaction*

Question 13. Indicate the quality of your interactions with the following people at your institution.

13a	QIstudent	Students	Percent of seniors reported that other students were friendly or supportive	5; 6; 7; Excellent (Exclude Poor; 1; 2; 3; 4)
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Question 18. How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this institution?

18	evalexp	How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this institution?	Percent of seniors rated their entire educational experience as good or excellent	Excellent; Good (Exclude Fair; Poor)
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Question 19. If you could start over again, would you go to the same institution you are now attending?

19	sameinst	If you could start over again, would you go to the <i>same institution</i> you are now attending?	Percent of seniors would attend this institution if they started over again	Definitely yes; Probably yes (Exclude Probably no; Definitely no)
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Student Interaction with Campus Faculty and Staff*

Question 3. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?

3c	SFdiscuss	Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	Percent of seniors discussed readings or ideas with faculty members outside of class	Very often; Often; Sometimes (Exclude Never)
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Question 5. During the current school year, to what extent have your instructors done the following?

5e	ETfeedback	Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	Percent of seniors reported that faculty members provided prompt feedback on their academic performance	Very often; Often; Sometimes (Exclude Never)
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Question 13. Indicate the quality of your interactions with the following people at your institution.

13c	QIfaculty	Faculty	Percent of seniors believed that faculty are available, helpful, or sympathetic	5; 6; 7; Excellent (Exclude Poor; 1; 2; 3; 4)
13e	QIadmin	Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	Percent of seniors believed that the campus staff were helpful, considerate, or flexible	5; 6; 7; Excellent (Exclude Poor; 1; 2; 3; 4)

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Experiences with Diverse Groups of People and Ideas*

Question 2. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?

2e	RIperspect	Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective	Percent of seniors reported that they often tried to understand someone else's point of view	Very often; Often (Exclude Sometimes; Never)
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Question 8. During the current school year, about how often have you had discussions with people from the following groups?

8a	DDrace	People of a race or ethnicity other than your own	Percent of seniors often had serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity	Very often; Often (Exclude Sometimes; Never)
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Question 17. How much has your experience at this institution contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?

17h	pgdiverse	Understanding people of other backgrounds (economic, racial/ethnic, political, religious, nationality, etc.)	Percent of seniors reported their experience at this institution contributed to their understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds	Very much; Quite a bit; Some (Exclude Very Little)
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<p>red= significantly revised item/response option; blue = modestly revised item/response option</p>
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