Welcome to the NSSE Webinar
Thank you for joining us. The Webinar will begin at 2pm EDT.

Some guidelines before we begin

Sound:

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Making the Most of your NSSE Administration

A NSSE Client Services Webinar

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Using the Chat Feature

- Participants will be able to submit questions throughout the webinar using the Q&A window.

- The Chat window will be available throughout the presentation for participants to interact with presenters and with each other.
Agenda

2:00-2:15 pm EDT: Presenters' introduction (PowerPoint Presentation)

2:15-3:00 pm EDT: Open chat and discussion with all participants

- Guidelines (i.e. chat room etiquette)
- Learning objectives
- Advocates for the survey
- Publicizing
- Case studies
- Faculty involvement
- Publicity strategies
- Student contact
- Questions and Answers

* Please note: questions and discussion are encouraged throughout the entire webinar!
Learning Objectives

• To learn strategies to increase campus awareness of the NSSE survey
• To develop student interest in the NSSE survey
• To apply strategies to boost response rates on your campus
• To review best practices among participating NSSE institutions
• To dialogue (via chat) among new and veteran NSSE participants on proposed and/or effective strategies
Publicizing the survey

Getting the word out to:

• Students
• Student Affairs
• Faculty or Staff

Serves two purposes:

• Helps increase response rates and quality of your data
• Helps prepare these constituencies to eventually put that data to work!
Publicity examples

• Posters in key locations
  – Residence halls/student restrooms
  – Table tents in dining areas
  – Public transportation
• Screen savers in computer labs
• Faculty advocacy in classes
• Campus radio/newspaper/other media
Marketing to your Student Body: What is Not Permitted

• Individual Contacts
  – Not permitted outside of the 5 NSSE-approved contacts

• Incentives not previously approved through the Indiana University IRB
NSSE and Student Affairs:
Using Student Life Offices as Allies!

Work with the Senior Student Affairs Officer
Contact Residence Life and Housing Professionals
Student Activities is your friend!
Fraternities and sororities
Athletic Departments and Life Skills Programs
Offices serving underrepresented students
New Student Programs
Career Center
Student Government
Alumni Association
Getting faculty on board

• Education about the survey and data it yields
• Classroom advocacy
• Spread the word!
  – Influential faculty
  – Key committees
  – Who are the people on your campus that can get faculty interested in assessing student learning?
Prepare a PowerPoint Presentation

NSSE
National Survey of Student Engagement
Pronounced "Nessie"

PowerPoint produced by Brock University
Advertise NSSE as an “Event” on popular social networking Web sites
Co-op Students
I met with the Co-op Program Director in early January and she has agreed to assist in the process of making Co-op students aware of the survey and to encourage their participation. She will target Co-op students on work term (an under-represented group last time) in particular.

Residence Students
I met with the Residence Life Director in early January and he has agreed to assist in the process of making Residence students aware of the survey and to encourage their participation. He suggested, and we are in the process of producing, “table tents” for the dining halls which will promote the survey.

Year I Courses
The program coordinator has developed a NSSE PowerPoint presentation for Year I courses. With the cooperation of the appropriate Associate Deans, this will be shown in virtually every Year I course.

Computer Labs
There is a link to the NSSE Year I PowerPoint presentation on the active desktop of each computer in all labs maintained by ITS (but not “external” labs).

Brock Press Advertisements
With the assistance of University Communications, a series of ads is being developed for the Brock Press. These will run during the period February 4th to March 28th (but not every week).
Promotion Initiatives (Team 2)

LaGrange College
They have found that by raising the awareness of the faculty as to what the NSSE is and when it will be administered, they in turn are able to share the information with their students to convey the importance of student participation if, indeed, a student is selected for the survey.

McPherson College
Student newspaper:
A sort of article that talks about what NSSE is, who is being asked to respond, how they are going to respond and why and how they will use the data.

Manhattan College
Their CPM was interviewed for an article in campus newspaper on assessment and the NSSE survey; timing works well as should be published just before the first 'mailing' to their students.

Newbury College
1) Requesting that faculty who teach First Year and Senior students mention NSSE in class,
2) Including a blurb in their electronic newsletter to students, and
3) Posting flyers in the Dining Hall and on various campus bulletin boards

Mississippi State University
-Placed 100 posters in Residence Halls (2 weeks before launch)
-Placed 6-ft banners in high traffic areas (buildings) such as the Student Union, Student Cafeteria, Library, Fitness Center, Administrative Building (1 week before the launch; staying up for month of February)
-75 table tent signs placed in the Student Union food court; 50 table tent signs placed in the Cafeteria
-Announcement placed on the university TV bulletin board
-Had the Public Relations director place the announcement on university web page and student electronic newsletter (for 1 week upon launch)
-Had the university radio station do public service announcements
-Placed an ad in the university student newspaper
-Placed a reminder on the student on-campus portal as they signed in to view student information under the announcement section
-Attended the Student Association Executive Council 1 week before the launch to explain to the students the importance of their participation
Promotion: NSSE Logo Usage

- Requesting Permission to use the NSSE logo
- Use must be IRB compliant
Resources


We have time now to take additional questions if you have them!

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