NSSE Shorts
HIP Quality

Note – Please review this item set if you intend to administer to graduate students. This item set is not recommended for graduate students, though they will not be blocked from completing it.

1. Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate?
Response options: Done or in progress=4, Plan to do=3, Do not plan to do=2, Have not decided=1

a. Participate in an internship, co-op, field experience, student teaching, or clinical placement [HIPinternS]
b. Hold a formal leadership role in a student organization or group [HIPleaderS]
c. Participate in a learning community or some other formal program where groups of students take two or more classes together [HIPlearncomS]
d. Participate in a study abroad program [HIPabroadS]
e. Work with a faculty member on a research project [HIPresearchS]
f. Complete a culminating senior experience (capstone course, senior project or thesis, portfolio, recital, comprehensive exam, etc.) [HIPcapstoneS]

2. About how many of your courses at this institution have included a community-based project (service-learning)? [HIPservcourseS]
Response options: All=4, Most=3, Some=2, None=1

If more than one HIP is selected
3. You indicated that you participated or are participating in some special learning experiences. Please select just ONE of these experiences so that we may ask a set of follow-up questions about it. It can be any one you choose, as long as you remember it well enough to answer some questions. If you participated in this type of experience more than once, base your answers on your most recent participation.

You selected: [HIPselectS]

If [HIPselectS] = Learning Community:

3a. Did students in this program live in the same residence hall or housing unit? [HIPlearncomsameS]
Response options: 1=Yes, 0=No, 9=Not sure

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4. What is your class level? [classS]
Response options: First-year undergraduate=1, Sophomore=2, Junior=3, Senior=4, Taking undergraduate courses (non-degree seeking)=5, Graduate (degree-seeking)=6, Graduate (non-degree seeking)=7

Canadian version
What is your class level? [classcaS]
Response options: 1st year undergraduate=1, 2nd year undergraduate=2, 3rd year undergraduate=3, 4th year undergraduate=4, Taking undergraduate courses (non-degree seeking)=5, Graduate (degree-seeking)=6, Graduate (non-degree seeking)=7

5. Is this experience finished? [HIPfinishedS]
Response options: 1=Yes, 0=No

If [HIPfinishedS] = 0 (No):
5a. About how long have you been participating in it? [HIPhowlongS]
Response options: 1=1 week or less, 2=2 weeks, 3=3 weeks, 4=More than 3 weeks

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If [HIPfinishedS] = 1 (Yes):

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5b.When did you participate in this experience? (If you participated more than once, select the most recent.) [HIPwhenS]
Response options: 1=Before starting college, 2=Freshman/first year, 3=Sophomore year, 4=Junior year, 5=Senior year, 6=Other, please specify:_____ [HIPwhen_txtS]

Note: Response options for FY students are restricted to 1, 2, and 6.

5c. Was it offered or arranged by this institution? [HIPofferedS]
Response options: 1=Yes, 0=No, 9=Not sure

6. To what extent were the following explained to you?
Response options: 4=Very much, 3=Quite a bit, 2=Some, 1=Very little

a. The activities you would do as part of this experience [HIPdoS]
b. What you would learn from this experience [HIPlearnS]
c. How you would be evaluated in this experience [HIPevalS]

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Note: The verb tense on items below depends on [HIPfinished]. If the experience was finished, past tense was used; if the experience was not finished, present tense was used. If missing, past tense was used.

7. To what extent did [does] this experience challenge you to do your best work? [HIPchallengeS]
Response options: 7=Very much, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1=Not at all

8. About how many hours did [do] you spend in a typical 7-day week on this experience? [HIPhoursS]
Response options: 0=0, 1=1-5, 2=6-10, 3=11-15, 4=16-20, 5=21-25, 6=26-30, 7=More than 30 hours

9. Compared to your typical learning experiences at this institution, about how much effort did [does] this experience require? [HIPeffortS]
Response options: 5=Much more effort, 4=More effort, 3=About as much effort, 2=Less effort, 1=Much less effort

10. During this experience, about how often did [do] you receive helpful feedback from the following individuals?
Response options: 4=Very often, 3=Often, 2=Sometimes, 1=Never, 9=Not applicable

a. Faculty or staff member from this institution [HIPfacultyfbS]
b. Supervisor on site [HIPsuperfbS]
c. Co-worker [HIPcoworkerfbS]
d. Other student(s) [HIPstudentfbS]

11. As part of this experience, about how often did [do] you find yourself in settings or circumstances that were [are] new or unfamiliar to you? [HIPnewS]
Response options: 4=Very often, 3=Often, 2=Sometimes, 1=Never

12. As part of this experience, about how often did [do] you interact with people from a different background or identity (racial/ethnic, economic, political, religious, etc.)? [HIPinteractS]
Response options: 4=Very often, 3=Often, 2=Sometimes, 1=Never

13. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements about your experience?
Response options: 4=Strongly agree, 3=Agree, 2=Disagree, 1=Strongly disagree

a. I feel [felt] comfortable being myself while participating in this experience. [HIPsbmyselfS]
b. I feel [felt] valued while participating in this experience. [HIPsbvaluedS]
c. I feel [felt] like part of a community while participating in this experience. [HIPsbcommunityS]

14. How much does [did] this experience emphasize the following?
Response options: 5=Very much, 4=Quite a bit, 3=Some, 2=Very little, 1=Not at all

a. Respecting the expression of diverse ideas [HIPideasS]
b. Examining issues of equity or privilege [HIPequityS]

15a. As part of this experience, about how often did [do] you meet with a faculty or staff member from this institution? [HIPfacmeetS]
Response options: 4=Very often, 3=Often, 2=Sometimes, 1=Never

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If [HIPfacmeetS] = 2 (Sometimes), 3 (Often), or 4 (Very often)

15b. To what extent did [do] these meetings focus on what you were [are] learning in this experience? [HIPfaclearnS]
Response options: 4=Very much, 3=Quite a bit, 2=Some, 1=Very little, -9=student did not receive question

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16. As part of this experience, about how often did you do [have you done] the following?
Response options: 4=Very often, 3=Often, 2=Sometimes, 1=Never

a. Work with other students [HIPcollabS]
b. Discuss your experience with other students in an organized setting (class, seminar, work group, etc.) [HIPdiscussS]
c. Track your experience with informal writing (notes, journal, blog, etc.) [HIPjournalS]
d. Connect what you were learning to societal problems or issues [HIPsocietalS]
e. Connect what you were learning to your major field or career goals [HIPconnectS]

17. At or near the conclusion of this experience, which of the following did you do [will you have done]?
Response options: 1=Yes, 0=No, 9=Not sure

a. Give a presentation for a class or other closed meeting at this institution [HIPpresentS]
b. Give a public presentation or performance (conference, video, recital, exhibit, etc.) [HIPpublicS]
c. Write a paper or report [HIPreportS]

18. To what extent has this experience contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?
Response options: 4=Very much, 3=Quite a bit, 2=Some, 1=Very little

a. Understanding concepts in your courses or major [HIPconceptsS]
b. Understanding societal problems or issues [HIPissuesS]
c. Applying theory to practice [HIPtheoryS]
d. Thinking creatively about complex, real-world problems [HIPprobsolveS]
e. Acquiring job- or work-related skills [HIPjobskillsS]
f. Preparing for your plans after graduation [HIPpostgradS]
g. Developing the skills necessary to work effectively with people from various backgrounds [HIPdiverseS]

19. Overall, how would you evaluate the quality of this experience? [HIPqualityS]
Response options: 7=Excellent, 6, 5, 4, 3, 2, 1=Poor

20. What is [was] most satisfying about this experience (5,000 character limit; at the end of the survey, you will have an opportunity to comment on your overall experience at this institution.) [HIPmost_txtS]
Response option: Text box

21. What is [was] least satisfying about this experience? (5,000 character limit) [HIPleast_txtS]
Response option: Text box

QUESTION FOR HIP NON-PARTICIPANTS

For those not eligible for the above set, only this item was administered.

22. So far at this institution, have you had any educational experiences that profoundly impacted you or that you consider life-changing? If so, please describe. (5,000 character limit) [HIPimpact_txtS]
Response option: Text box

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