A Summary of Faculty Results

Student engagement represents two critical features of collegiate quality. The first is the amount of time and effort students put into their studies and other educationally purposeful activities. The second is how institutional resources, courses, and other learning opportunities facilitate student participation in activities that matter to student learning. FSSE surveys faculty who teach at least one undergraduate course in the current academic year. This Snapshot is a concise collection of key findings from your institution’s FSSE 2020 administration. We hope this information stimulates discussions about the undergraduate experience. Additional details about these and other results appear in the Frequencies and FSSE-NSSE Combined reports.

High-Impact Practices
Due to their positive associations with student learning and retention, special undergraduate opportunities are designated "high-impact." The first figure at right compares the percentage of your faculty who believed it was "Very important" or "Important" for undergraduates at your institution to participate in High-Impact Practices before they graduate. The second figure summarizes faculty participation in three selected High-Impact Practices in a typical week.

Time Spent Preparing for Class
These figures report the average weekly class preparation time your faculty expected students to spend, and the average amount of time they perceived students actually spent, in the faculty's selected course sections.

Reading and Writing
These figures summarize the number of hours your faculty expected students to spend reading, and the average number of pages of assigned writing, for the faculty's selected course sections.

Note: The number of pages of assigned writing is an estimate calculated from three separate survey questions.
Time Allocation
This figure summarizes the number of hours that faculty spent in a typical seven-day week on teaching activities (preparing, teaching class sessions, grading, meeting with students outside of class, etc.); advising; research, creative, or scholarly activities; and service activities (committee work, administrative duties, etc.).

Student-Faculty Interaction
Faculty reported how often they had done each of the following with the undergraduate students they teach or advise:

Supportive Environment
Faculty reported how important it was to them that your institution increase its emphasis on each of the following:

Facility Values
(Sorted highest to lowest)

Percentage of Facility Responding "Very Important" or "Important"

Providing support to help students succeed academically 94%
Providing support for students' overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.) 92%
Encouraging contact among students from different backgrounds (social, racial/ethnic, religious, etc.) 89%
Students using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.) 85%
Helping students manage their non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.) 78%
Providing opportunities for students to be involved socially 77%
Students attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues 70%
Students spending significant amounts of time studying and on academic work 64%
Students attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.) 56%

Administration Details
Class Level

Lower Division Upper Division Other Missing
Count 100 232 10 57
Percentage 25% 58% 3% 14%

What is FSSE?
FSSE, a complementary survey to the National Survey of Student Engagement, collects information annually at hundreds of four-year colleges and universities from faculty who teach at least one undergraduate course in the current academic year. The results provide information about faculty expectations for student engagement in educational practices that are empirically linked with student learning and development. Institutions use their data to identify aspects of the undergraduate experience that can be improved through changes in policy and practice. For more information, visit our website: fsse.indiana.edu.