Particular strengths of the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE), and the Faculty Survey of Student Engagement (FSSE), the companion survey for faculty, include:

- Rigorously tested survey items targeting key aspects of the student experience that promote learning and development.
- Information-rich, graphically illustrative reports on ten Engagement Indicators and six High-Impact Practices.
- Topical Modules—short sets of questions that can be appended to the core survey on topics such as Academic Advising, Inclusiveness & Engagement with Cultural Diversity, plus two new sets, HIP Quality & Equity and Career & Workplace Preparation.
- Customizable NSSE Major Field Report and FSSE Disciplinary Area Report affording contextualized examination of results.
- Secure online tools to facilitate analysis and sharing of results.
- Smartphone-friendly, mobile-optimized survey format that reduces respondent fatigue and increases survey response.

In Lessons from the Field, institutions share experiences using their survey results to enhance educational practice, respond to accreditation, link data to strategic objectives, share results widely, and achieve many other goals. View the series or search our online database of more than 500 institutional examples of data uses.

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NSSE documents the extent to which first-year and senior undergraduate students engage in educational practices that are related to learning and development.

Hundreds of participating colleges and universities use NSSE as a key component of their assessment programs, demonstrating commitment to evidence-based improvement and reaping benefits in student success.

NSSE has two companion surveys. The Faculty Survey of Student Engagement (FSSE) assesses the expectations, perceptions, and roles of faculty in promoting student engagement. The Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement (BCSSE) surveys entering students about their prior educational experiences and their expectations for the coming year.