

National Survey of Student Engagement

NSSE 2007 Respondent Characteristics Hobart and William Smith Colleges

	HWS		Selected Peers		Carnegie Peers		NSSE 2007	
	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR
Response Rate ^a								
Overall		3%	45%		45%		30%	
By class	65%	60%	47%	43%	44%	46%	29%	31%
NSSE sample size ^b	609	382	3,868	3,139	41,159	33,781	504,093	472,765
Sampling Error ^c	-	407	1	20/	0	10/	0	20/
Overall		4%	1.3%		0.4%		0.2%	
By class	2.9%	4.1%	1.7%	2.0%	0.6%	0.6%	0.2%	0.2%
Number of respondents ^b Total population	397 610	231 382	1,802 3,868	1,361 3,140	17,997 45,139	15,574 35,195	146,829 693,266	148,282 686,189
Student Characteristics ^d			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Mode of Completion								
Paper	0%	0%	0%	0%	8%	6%	4%	4%
Web	100%	100%	100%	100%	92%	94%	96%	96%
Class Level ^e	63%	37%	57%	43%	55%	45%	50%	50%
Enrollment Status ^e								
Full-time	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	95%	96%	86%
Less than full-time	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	5%	4%	14%
<i>Gender</i> ^e								
Female	58%	64%	64%	66%	65%	67%	65%	65%
Male	42%	36%	36%	34%	35%	33%	35%	35%
Race/Ethnicity								
Am. Indian/Native American	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%
Asian/Asian Am./Pacific Isl.	2%	2%	5%	4%	5%	5%	6%	5%
Black/African American	2%	2%	4%	3%	5%	4%	6%	6%
White (non-Hispanic)	82%	75%	72%	77%	76%	77%	72%	73%
Mexican/Mexican American	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	3%	3%
Puerto Rican	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%
Other Hispanic or Latino	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%	2%
Multiracial	2%	0%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Other	1%	2%	3%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
I prefer not to respond	8%	13%	9%	8%	7%	7%	6%	7%
International Student	3%	4%	8%	7%	5%	5%	5%	4%
Place of Residence								
On-campus	97%	53%	98%	57%	91%	48%	71%	20%
Off-campus	3%	47%	2%	43%	9%	52%	29%	80%
Transfer Status								
Transfer students	2%	4%	1%	4%	4%	19%	9%	41%
Age								
Non-traditional (24 or older)	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	11%	5%	31%
Traditional (less than 24)	100%	99%	100%	99%	99%	89%	95%	69%

^a Response rate (number of respondents divided by sample size) is adjusted for non-deliverable mailing addresses, students for whom contact information was not available, and other students who were sampled yet unavailable during the survey administration.

^b This report is based on information from all randomly selected students for both your institution and your comparison institutions.

Targeted and locally administered oversamples (i.e., non-randomly selected students) are not included in this report.

^c Sampling error is an estimate of the margin by which the *true* score for your institution on a given item could differ from the reported score. To interpret the sampling error, assume that 60% of your students reply "very often" to a particular item. If the sampling error is +/-5%, then the true population value is most likely between 55% and 65%.

^d Percent of total respondents within each category. These results are *not* weighted.

e Institution-reported data. This information was used to weight your Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.