

NSSE 2011 Overview

Purpose: The National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) collects information from approximately 1,500 colleges and universities in the U.S. and Canada to measure the extent to which students engage in effective educational practices. First-year and Senior students are surveyed about the nature and quality of their undergraduate experience. The results from the University of Mississippi are then compared to selected peer groups (SUG Peers and Carnegie Peers) to see the empirical differences in student responses in order to make improvements in institutional practices.

Comparison Groups:

Carnegie Peer Group:

Auburn University	Stevens Institute of Technology
Baylor University	Temple University
Binghamton University (State University of New York)	Texas Tech University
Bowling Green State University	University of Akron, The
Brigham Young University	University of Idaho
Catholic University of America, The	University of Maine
Clark University	University of Massachusetts Boston
Clarkson University	University of Massachusetts Lowell
Clemson University	University of Memphis
College of William and Mary	University of Missouri-St. Louis
Colorado School of Mines	University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Drexel University	University of North Dakota
Idaho State University	University of Rhode Island
Illinois Institute of Technology	University of South Alabama
Jackson State University	University of Texas at Arlington, The
Kent State University	University of Texas at Dallas, The
Loyola University Chicago	University of Texas at El Paso, The
Miami University-Oxford	University of Texas at San Antonio, The
New Mexico State University	University of Toledo
Northeastern University	University of Vermont
Nova Southeastern University	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee
Ohio University	Western Michigan University
Polytechnic Institute of New York University	Wichita State University
Portland State University	Wright State University
Saint Louis University	

SUG Peer Group:

Auburn University

Clemson University

Florida State University

Francis Marion University

Georgia Institute of Technology

Georgia State University

Louisiana State University

Mississippi State University

North Carolina State University

Texas A&M University

University of Arkansas at Little Rock

University of Delaware

University of Georgia

University of Maryland-College Park

University of South Carolina Columbia

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, The

University of Virginia

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

2009 Response Rates:

	Ole Miss		SUG Group		Carnegie Group	
	First-Yr	Senior	First-Yr	Senior	First-Yr	Senior
Overall	28%		21%		23%	
By Level	27%	28%	20%	22%	21%	25%
Number	2,786	4,006	67,965	82,189	118,723	139,402

Notes: When interpreting the data, not only is the statistical significance given but the effect size is given to indicate the magnitude of significance between means that are being compared. The effect size of .2 is considered “small”, .5 is “moderate”, and .8 is considered “large”. Unless inversely related, a positive effect size indicates that the difference between the means is a confirmatory difference where Ole Miss is above those being compared, while a negative effect size indicates that the University is below the comparison groups.