

The Updated FSSE Survey

The updated version of FSSE, launched in 2013, complements the updated NSSE, maintaining a focus on teaching-related considerations for student learning and the quality of the undergraduate experience. Institutions use FSSE to contextualize NSSE results and to gain a better understanding of faculty contributions to student engagement on their campuses.

View the updated survey at
fsse.indiana.edu/html/survey_instruments.cfm

New, Updated Content & Reports

New and updated FSSE content parallels NSSE questions grouped within four student engagement themes with two to four FSSE Scales in each theme:

Academic Challenge

- Higher-Order Learning
- Reflective & Integrative Learning
- Learning Strategies
- Quantitative Reasoning

Learning with Peers

- Collaborative Learning
- Discussions with Diverse Others

Experiences with Faculty

- Student-Faculty Interaction
- Effective Teaching Practices

Campus Environment

- Quality of Interactions
- Supportive Environment

New Items

The updated survey introduces valuable new content to enrich institutional assessment efforts. Here are some examples of new items:

Reflective & Integrative Learning

- *In your selected course section, how important is it to you that the typical student connect his or her learning to societal problems or issues?*

Learning Strategies

- *In your selected course section, how much do you encourage students to identify key information from reading assignments?*

Quantitative Reasoning

- *In your selected course section, how important is it to you that the typical student reach conclusions based on their own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)?*

Collaborative Learning

- *In your selected course section, how much do you encourage students to ask other students for help understanding course material?*

Effective Teaching Practices

- *In your undergraduate courses, to what extent do you clearly explain course goals and requirements?*

These are only some examples of new content. To see the entire survey, visit our website at fsse.indiana.edu

Survey Customization: Topical Modules and Consortium Participation

FSSE now offers Topical Modules—short sets of questions on selected current topics in higher education such as academic advising, civic engagement, experiences with diversity, writing, technology, the scholarship of teaching and learning, and teaching professional development. Additional modules will be developed over time. FSSE also provides consortia the opportunity to add questions parallel to NSSE consortium questions.

fsse.indiana.edu/html/topicalModules.cfm

Looking Within Your FSSE Results: Disciplinary Area Report

The *Disciplinary Area Report* includes frequency distributions and FSSE Scale scores in up to ten categories of related disciplines. Institutions are encouraged to examine patterns of similarity and difference by discipline among their faculty. Using this report with the NSSE *Major Field Report* can add context to the student experience within different disciplinary areas.

When Is the Next Update?

Even the best survey must be periodically revised and updated. But year-to-year stability is also important, in the interest of tracking results over time. No further updates are planned at this time, and future updates will be announced several years prior to launch.