Introducing the Updated FSSE

The Updated FSSE Survey
The updated version of FSSE has been launched to complement the updated version of NSSE. It maintains FSSE’s focus on faculty members who teach undergraduates, and results contribute to teaching-related discussions, learning, and the quality of undergraduates’ educational experiences. Institutions use FSSE to contextualize NSSE results and gain a better understanding of student engagement on their campuses.

New and Updated Content
Redesigned FSSE reports offer participating institutions a view of faculty responses to parallel NSSE questions grouped within four engagement themes with one to four FSSE scales in each theme:

Academic Challenge
- Higher-Order Learning
- Reflective and Integrative Learning
- Learning Strategies
- Quantitative Reasoning

Learning With Peers
- Collaborative Learning
- Discussions With Diverse Others

Experiences With Faculty
- Student-Faculty Interaction

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:

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.)?

Reflective and 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?

Supportive Environment
- How important is it to you that your institution increase its emphasis on providing support for students’ overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)?

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

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

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

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

Additional Question Sets: Topical Modules and Consortium Participation
New customization options include topical modules, or short sets of questions, on focused topics such as academic advising, civic engagement, experiences with diversity, writing, or technology. Additional modules will be developed over time. FSSE also now offers consortium questions that run parallel to and are administered in conjunction with NSSE consortium questions. fsse.iub.edu/html/topicalModules.cfm

Additional Information, Comments, and Questions
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