# National Survey of Student Engagement 

Stony Brook University

Respondent Characteristics
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|  | Stony Brook |  | AAUDE |  | Admissions Overlap |  | NSSE 2008 |  |
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|  | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR | FY | SR |
| Response Rate ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overall |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| By class | 30\% | 34\% | 30\% | 31\% | 37\% | 33\% | 31\% | 35\% |
| NSSE sample size ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 492 | 483 | 27,676 | 28,286 | 18,303 | 18,490 | 589,189 | 562,980 |
| Sampling Error ${ }^{\text {c }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Overall |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| By class | 7.8\% | 7.5\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.0\% | 1.1\% | 0.2\% | 0.2\% |
| Number of respondents ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | 147 | 164 | 8,186 | 8,808 | 6,861 | 6,127 | 183,053 | 194,748 |
| Total population | 2,411 | 3,137 | 61,985 | 65,737 | 25,171 | 27,075 | 766,602 | 752,038 |
| Student Characteristics ${ }^{\text {d }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Mode of Completion |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Paper | 16\% | 38\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Web | 84\% | 62\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 100\% | 98\% | 97\% |
| Class Level ${ }^{\text {e }}$ | 47\% | 53\% | 48\% | 52\% | 53\% | 47\% | 49\% | 51\% |
| Enrollment Status ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Full-time | 99\% | 88\% | 98\% | 93\% | 99\% | 94\% | 95\% | 85\% |
| Less than full-time | 1\% | 12\% | 2\% | 7\% | 1\% | 6\% | 5\% | 15\% |
| Gender ${ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Female | 63\% | 57\% | 62\% | 59\% | 58\% | 56\% | 64\% | 64\% |
| Male | 37\% | 43\% | 38\% | 41\% | 42\% | 44\% | 36\% | 36\% |
| Race/Ethnicity |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Am. Indian/Native American | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 0\% | 0\% | 0\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Asian/Asian Am./Pacific Isl. | 36\% | 21\% | 12\% | 10\% | 10\% | 8\% | 6\% | 5\% |
| Black/African American | 3\% | 8\% | 6\% | 4\% | 4\% | 4\% | 7\% | 7\% |
| White (non-Hispanic) | 38\% | 50\% | 68\% | 72\% | 72\% | 72\% | 70\% | 71\% |
| Mexican/Mexican American | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 2\% | 0\% | 0\% | 2\% | 3\% |
| Puerto Rican | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% |
| Other Hispanic or Latino | 4\% | 6\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% |
| Multiracial | 1\% | 3\% | 3\% | 3\% | 2\% | 2\% | 3\% | 2\% |
| Other | 8\% | 3\% | 1\% | 1\% | 1\% | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% |
| I prefer not to respond | 9\% | 8\% | 5\% | 6\% | 6\% | 7\% | 6\% | 7\% |
| International Student | 8\% | 9\% | 6\% | 5\% | 6\% | 5\% | 5\% | 5\% |
| Place of Residence |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| On-campus | 66\% | 35\% | 88\% | 14\% | 90\% | 21\% | 72\% | 21\% |
| Off-campus | 34\% | 65\% | 12\% | 86\% | 10\% | 79\% | 28\% | 79\% |
| Transfer Status |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Transfer students | 3\% | 49\% | 2\% | 24\% | 5\% | 27\% | 9\% | 41\% |
| Age |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Non-traditional (24 or older) | 0\% | 28\% | 0\% | 12\% | 1\% | 13\% | 6\% | 32\% |
| Traditional (less than 24) | 100\% | 72\% | 100\% | 88\% | 99\% | 87\% | 94\% | 68\% |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ 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.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ 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.
${ }^{\text {c }}$ 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 $65 \%$.
${ }^{\mathrm{d}}$ Percent of total respondents within each category. These results are not weighted.
${ }^{\mathrm{e}}$ Institution-reported data. This information was used to weight your Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

