

Kenyon College

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#### **About This Report**

#### **About Your Engagement Indicators Report**

Engagement Indicators (EIs) provide a useful summary of the detailed information contained in your students' NSSE responses. By combining responses to related NSSE questions, each EI offers valuable information about a distinct aspect of student engagement. Ten indicators, based on three to eight survey questions each (a total of 47 survey questions), are organized into four broad themes as shown at right. The specific items within each EI are listed below, starting on page 5.

Theme	Engagement Indicator
	Higher-Order Learning
Academic Challenge	Reflective & Integrative Learning
	Learning Strategies
	Quantitative Reasoning
	Collaborative Learning
Learning with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others
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Experiences with Faculty	Student-Faculty Interaction
,	Effective Teaching Practices
	Quality of Interactions
Campus Environment	Quality of Interactions
	Supportive Environment

#### **Report Sections**

Overview (p. 3)

Displays how average EI scores for your students compare with those of students at your comparison group institutions.

Theme Reports (pp. 4-13)

Detailed views of EI scores within the four themes for your students and those at comparison group institutions. Three views offer varied insights into your EI scores:

#### Mean Comparisons

Straightforward comparisons of average scores between your students and those at comparison group institutions, with tests of significance and effect sizes (see below).

#### **Score Distributions**

Box-and-whisker charts show the variation in scores within your institution and comparison groups.

#### Performance on Indicator Items

Responses to each item in a given EI are summarized for your institution and comparison groups.

Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions (p. 15) Comparisons of your students' average scores on each EI with those of students at institutions whose average scores were in the top 50% and top 10% of all current- and prior-year institutions.

Detailed Statistics (pp. 16-19)

Detailed information about EI score means, distributions, and tests of statistical significance.

#### **Interpreting Comparisons**

Mean comparisons report both statistical significance and effect size. Effect size indicates the practical importance of an observed difference. For EI comparisons, NSSE research has concluded that an effect size of about .1 may be considered small, .3 medium, and .5 large (Rocconi & Gonyea, 2018). Comparisons with an effect size of at least .3 in magnitude (before rounding) are highlighted in the Overview (p. 3).

Els vary more among students within an institution than between institutions, like many experiences and outcomes in higher education. As a result, focusing attention on average scores alone amounts to examining the tip of the iceberg. It's equally important to understand how student engagement varies within your institution. Score distributions indicate how El scores vary among your students and those in your comparison groups. Your NSSE Tableau dashboards and Report Builder (released in the fall) offer valuable perspectives on internal variation and help you investigate your students' engagement in depth.

#### **How Engagement Indicators are Computed**

Each EI is scored on a 60-point scale. To produce an indicator score, the response set for each item is converted to a 60-point scale (e.g., Never = 0; Sometimes = 20; Often = 40; Very often = 60), and the rescaled items are averaged. Thus a score of zero means a student responded at the bottom of the scale for every item in the EI, while a score of 60 indicates responses at the top of the scale on every item.

For more information on EIs and their psychometric properties, refer to the NSSE website: nsse.indiana.edu

Rocconi, L.M., & Gonyea, R.M. (2018). Contextualizing effect sizes in the National Survey of Student Engagement: An empirical analysis. *Research & Practice in Assessment, 13* (Summer/Fall), pp. 22-38.

# NSSE national survey of student engagement

### **NSSE 2023 Engagement Indicators**

## Overview Kenyon College

#### **Engagement Indicators: Overview**

Engagement Indicators are summary measures based on sets of NSSE questions examining key dimensions of student engagement. The ten indicators are organized within four broad themes: Academic Challenge, Learning with Peers, Experiences with Faculty, and Campus Environment. The tables below compare average scores for your students with those in your comparison groups. Use the following key:

- **Your students' average** was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.
- $\triangle$  Your students' average was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- -- No significant difference.
- $\nabla$  Your students' average was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- **Vour students' average** was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.

Note: It is important to interpret the direction of differences relative to your institutional context. You may not see all of these symbols in your report.

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Theme	Engagement Indicator	Private IPUG	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2022 & 2023	
	Higher-Order Learning		$\triangle$		
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning		$\triangle$		
Challenge	Learning Strategies				
	Quantitative Reasoning	$\nabla$	$\nabla$	$\nabla$	
Learning with	Collaborative Learning			Δ	
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others		$\nabla$		
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction		$\nabla$		
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices			Δ	
Campus	Quality of Interactions			$\triangle$	
Environment	Supportive Environment	$\nabla$	$\nabla$		
Seniors		Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with	Your seniors compared with	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Private IPUG	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2022 & 2023	
	Higher-Order Learning			Δ	
Academic	Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Challenge	Learning Strategies				
	Quantitative Reasoning				
Learning with	Collaborative Learning			Δ	
Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others				
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with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	Δ	Δ		
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## Academic Challenge Kenyon College

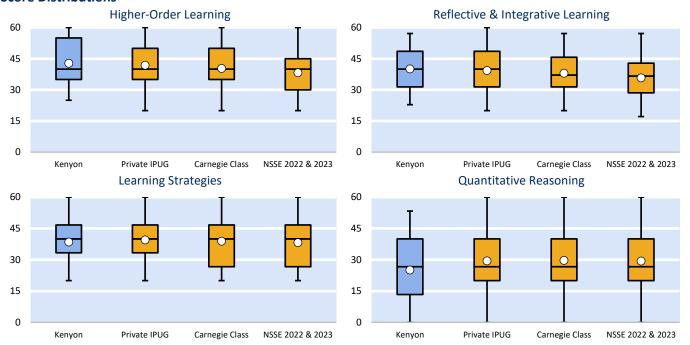
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Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size	
Higher-Order Learning	42.8	41.9	.08	40.4 **	.19	38.3 ***	.34	
Reflective & Integrative Learning	40.1	39.4	.07	38.1 *	.18	35.8 ***	.36	
Learning Strategies	38.5	39.5	08	38.9	03	38.2	.02	
Quantitative Reasoning	25.1	29.5 ***	29	29.7 ***	30	29.4 ***	28	

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		Percentage point	ur FY students and	
Higher-Order Learning	Kenyon	Private IPUG	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2022 & 2023
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much coursework emphasized	%			
4b. Applying facts, theories, or methods to practical problems or new situations	79	+1	+4	+8
4c. Analyzing an idea, experience, or line of reasoning in depth by examining its parts	84	+4	+8	+15
4d. Evaluating a point of view, decision, or information source	76	-3	+0	+6
4e. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information	81	+1	+5	+10
Reflective & Integrative Learning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
2a. Combined ideas from different courses when completing assignments	63	+4	+6	+10
2b. Connected your learning to societal problems or issues	69	+0	+7	+16
2c. Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments	65	-6	+1	+11
2d. Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue	74	+3	+5	+9
2e. Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from their perspective	73	-2	-1	+2
2f. Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept	82	+8	+11	+15
2g. Connected ideas from your courses to your prior experiences and knowledge	90	+3	+6	+12
Learning Strategies				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
9a. Identified key information from reading assignments	85	+0	+5	+12
9b. Reviewed your notes after class	58	-3	-5	-7
9c. Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials	64	-2	-2	-1
Quantitative Reasoning				
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"				
6a. Reached conclusions based on your own analysis of numerical information (numbers, graphs, statistics, etc.)	44	-9	-10	-10
Used numerical information to examine a real-world problem or issue (unemployment, climate change, public health, etc.)	34	-9	-10	-10
6c. Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information	39	-7	-6	-4

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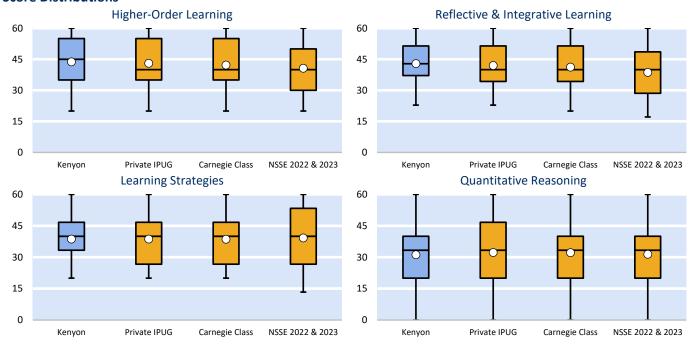
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Higher-Order Learning	43.8	43.1	.06	42.3	.12	40.7 **	.23	
Reflective & Integrative Learning	42.9	42.0	.08	41.2	.14	38.7 ***	.33	
Learning Strategies	38.6	38.7	.00	38.6	.00	39.2	04	
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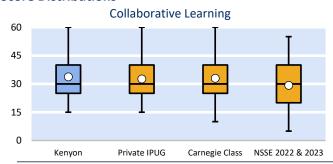
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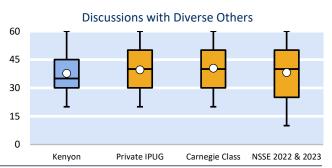
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1b. Asked another student to help you understand course material	52	+3	+1	+7		
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1d. Prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students	53	+5	+3	+12		
1e. Worked with other students on course projects or assignments	54	-5	-4	+4		
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Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often" had discussions with						
8a. People of races or ethnicities other than your own	68	-8	-7	-1		
8b. People from economic backgrounds other than your own	72	-4	-4	+3		
8c. People with religious beliefs other than your own	73	+2	+3	+9		
8d. People with political views other than your own	34	-10	-23	-25		

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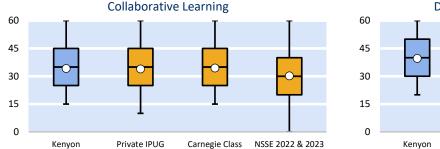
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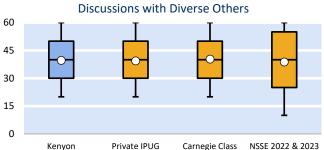
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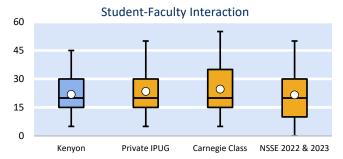
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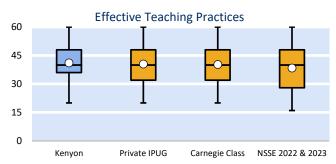
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3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	18	-4	-7	-4	
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	38	+2	+3	+11	
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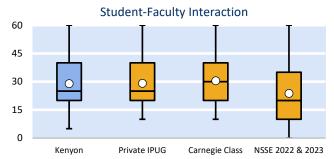
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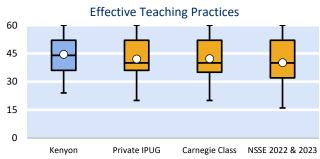
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		Percentage poir	nt difference <sup>a</sup> between y	our seniors and
Student-Faculty Interaction	Kenyon	Private IPUG	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2022 & 2023
Percentage of students who responded that they "Very often" or "Often"	%			
3a. Talked about career plans with a faculty member	47	-2	-9	+4
3b. Worked w/faculty on activities other than coursework (committees, student groups, etc.)	30	-6	-10	+2
3c. Discussed course topics, ideas, or concepts with a faculty member outside of class	54	+7	+7	+22
3d. Discussed your academic performance with a faculty member	35	-2	-6	+2
Effective Teaching Practices				
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much instructors have				
5a. Clearly explained course goals and requirements	89	+5	+6	+10
5b. Taught course sessions in an organized way	90	+5	+7	+13
5c. Used examples or illustrations to explain difficult points	87	+4	+5	+10
5d. Provided feedback on a draft or work in progress	73	+1	+1	+9
5e. Provided prompt and detailed feedback on tests or completed assignments	79	+8	+7	+14

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## Campus Environment Kenyon College

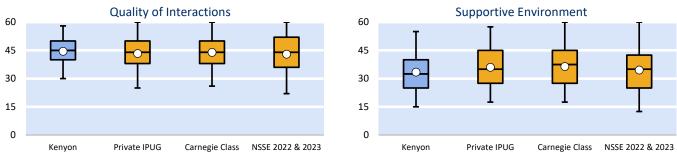
#### **Campus Environment: First-year students**

Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

Mean Comparisons			Your first-year students compared with										
	Kenyon	Priva	te IPUG	Carne	gie Class	NSSE 20	22 & 2023						
			Effect		Effect		Effect						
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size						
Quality of Interactions	44.5	43.3	.12	43.9	.06	43.0 *	.13						
Supportive Environment	33.5	36.0 **	21	36.4 **	24	34.6	08						

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; \*p < .05, \*\*p < .01, \*\*\*p < .01 (2-tailed).

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		Percentage point	difference <sup>a</sup> between you	ır FY students and
				NSSE 2022 &
Quality of Interactions	Kenyon	Private IPUG	Carnegie Class	2023
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from 1="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%			
13a. Students	63	+11	+11	+13
13b. Academic advisors	51	-1	-5	-4
13c. Faculty	65	+5	+5 📜	+13
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	48	+3	+1	+1
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	44	+1	-3	-3
Supportive Environment		·	•	
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	73	-5	-3	+2
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	81	+2	+2	+8
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	49	-12	-13	-11
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	73	+0	-0	+4
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	46	-19	-20	-19
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	22	-10	-14	-17
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	65	-0	-3	+3
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	49	-9	-7	+4

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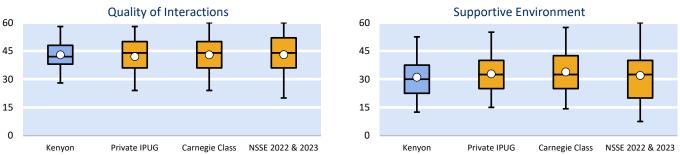
#### **Campus Environment: Seniors**

Students benefit and are more satisfied in supportive settings that cultivate positive relationships among students, faculty, and staff. Two Engagement Indicators investigate this theme: *Quality of Interactions* and *Supportive Environment*. Below are three views of your results alongside those of your comparison groups.

Mean Comparisons				Your seniors con	npared with		
	Kenyon	Priva	ite IPUG			NSSE 20	22 & 2023
			Effect		Effect		Effect
Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	size	Mean	size	Mean	size
Quality of Interactions	43.0	42.1	.09	43.0	.00	43.0	.00
Supportive Environment	31.0	32.9	15	33.9 **	22	32.0	06

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by pooled standard deviation; Symbols on the Overview page are based on effect size and p before rounding; \*p < .05, \*\*p < .01, \*\*\*p < .01 (2-tailed).

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		Percentage poir	nt difference <sup>a</sup> between y	our seniors and
Quality of Interactions	Kenyon	Private IPUG	Carnegie Class	NSSE 2022 & 2023
Percentage rating their interactions a 6 or 7 (on a scale from I="Poor" to 7="Excellent") with	%			
13a. Students	51	l -0	-3	-8
13b. Academic advisors	66	+9	+5	+12
13c. Faculty	71	+8	+7	+14
13d. Student services staff (career services, student activities, housing, etc.)	31	-6	-8	-15
13e. Other administrative staff and offices (registrar, financial aid, etc.)	35	+2	-2	-10
Supportive Environment		·	F	÷
Percentage responding "Very much" or "Quite a bit" about how much the institution emphasized				
14b. Providing support to help students succeed academically	75	+2	+2	+7
14c. Using learning support services (tutoring services, writing center, etc.)	68	-2	-3	+4
14d. Encouraging contact among students from diff. backgrounds (soc., racial/eth., relig., etc.)	48	-4	-6	-6
14e. Providing opportunities to be involved socially	68	+1	-0	+5
14f. Providing support for your overall well-being (recreation, health care, counseling, etc.)	35	-19	-23	-23
14g. Helping you manage your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	19	-4	-9	-14
14h. Attending campus activities and events (performing arts, athletic events, etc.)	63	+1	-1	+9
14i. Attending events that address important social, economic, or political issues	47	-10	-6	+6

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## Comparisons with High-Performing Institutions Kenyon College

#### Comparisons with Top 50% and Top 10% Institutions

While NSSE's policy is not to rank institutions (see **go.iu.edu/NSSE-PnP**), the results below are designed to compare the engagement of your students with those attending two groups of institutions identified by NSSE<sup>a</sup> for their high average levels of student engagement:

- (a) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 50% of all 2022 and 2023 NSSE institutions, and
- (b) institutions with average scores placing them in the top 10% of all 2022 and 2023 NSSE institutions.

While the average scores for most institutions are below the mean for the top 50% or top 10%, your institution may show areas of distinction where your average student was as engaged as (or even more engaged than) the typical student at high-performing institutions. A check mark ( $\checkmark$ ) signifies those comparisons where your average score was at least comparable to that of the high-performing group. However, the presence of a check mark does not necessarily mean that your institution was a member of that group.

It should be noted that most of the variability in student engagement is within, not between, institutions. Even "high-performing" institutions have students with engagement levels below the average for all institutions.

First-Year	Students			Your first-year stude	ents compared with	1	
		Kenyon	NSSE T	op 50%	NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size ✓	Mean	Effect size	$\checkmark$
	Higher-Order Learning	42.8	39.5 ***	.25 ✓	42.2	.04	<b>√</b>
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	40.1	37.2 ***	.24 ✓	39.8	.02	$\checkmark$
Challenge	Learning Strategies	38.5	39.8	09 ✓	42.8 ***	31	
	Quantitative Reasoning	25.1	30.7 ***	36	33.4 ***	54	
Learning	Collaborative Learning	33.7	33.2	.03 ✓	36.5 **	21	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	37.7	40.5 **	19	43.6 ***	43	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	21.9	25.4 ***	23	29.3 ***	48	
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	41.1	40.1	.07 ✓	43.3 **	16	
Campus	Quality of Interactions	44.5	45.3	07 ✓	48.1 ***	30	
Environment	Supportive Environment	33.5	36.8 ***	25	39.6 ***	48	

Seniors				Your seniors cor	npared with		
		Kenyon	NSSE T	op 50%	NSSE T	op 10%	
Theme	Engagement Indicator	Mean	Mean	Effect size ✓	Mean	Effect size	✓
	Higher-Order Learning	43.8	42.1	.13 ✓	44.7	07	✓
Academic	Reflective and Integrative Learning	42.9	40.6 **	.18 ✓	43.1	02	$\checkmark$
Challenge	Learning Strategies	38.6	40.9 *	16	43.6 ***	35	
	Quantitative Reasoning	31.1	32.7	09 ✓	36.3 ***	32	
Learning	Collaborative Learning	34.2	34.7	03 ✓	38.1 ***	29	
with Peers	Discussions with Diverse Others	39.7	41.1	09 ✓	43.9 ***	29	
Experiences	Student-Faculty Interaction	28.9	29.6	04 ✓	34.3 ***	34	
with Faculty	Effective Teaching Practices	44.5	42.1 **	.17 ✓	44.7	02	$\checkmark$
Campus	Quality of Interactions	43.0	45.4 ***	20	47.9 ***	39	
Environment	Supportive Environment	31.0	34.5 ***	24	37.7 ***	48	

Notes: Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups); Effect size: Mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation; \*p < .05, \*\*p < .01, \*\*\*p < .01, \*\*\*p < .01 (2-tailed).

a. Precision-weighted means were used to determine the top 50% and top 10% institutions for each Engagement Indicator from all current- and prior-year institutions, separately by class. Using this method, Engagement Indicator scores of institutions with relatively large standard errors were adjusted toward the mean of all students, while those with smaller standard errors received smaller corrections. As a result, schools with less stable data—even those with high average scores—may not be among the top scorers. NSSE does not publish the names of the top 50% and top 10% institutions because of our commitment not to release institutional results and our policy against ranking institutions.

b. Check marks are assigned to comparisons that are either positive or non-significant with an effect size > -.10.



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Kenyon College**

**Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students** 

	Mea	n statisti	CS		Percei	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores		Co	mparison	results	
	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SE <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom <sup>e</sup>	Mean diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	Effect size <sup>g</sup>
Academic Challenge	ivieuri	30	JL .	301	25111	30111	7501	9501	jreedom	uijj.	Sig.	3120
Higher-Order Learning												
Kenyon (N = 202)	42.8	11.1	.78	25	35	40	55	60				
Private IPUG	41.9	11.1	.17	20	35	40	50	60	4,964	.9	.281	.077
			.17							2.4	.006	
Carnegie Class	40.4	12.4		20	35	40	50	60	16,069			.193
NSSE 2022 & 2023	38.3	13.3	.02	20	30	40	45	60	201	4.5	.000	.336
Top 50%	39.5	13.2	.03	20	30	40	50	60	208,816	3.2	.000	.246
Top 10%	42.2	12.8	.08	20	35	40	55	60	205	.5	.489	.042
Reflective & Integrative Learni	ng											
Kenyon $(N = 209)$	40.1	10.7	.74	23	31	40	49	57				
Private IPUG	39.4	11.3	.16	20	31	40	49	60	5,330	.8	.337	.068
Carnegie Class	38.1	11.6	.09	20	31	37	46	57	17,355	2.1	.010	.179
NSSE 2022 & 2023	35.8	12.2	.02	17	29	37	43	57	355,581	4.3	.000	.356
Top 50%	37.2	12.0	.03	20	29	37	46	60	196,139	2.9	.000	.241
Top 10%	39.8	11.8	.07	20	31	40	49	60	25,506	.3	.725	.024
10p 1070	39.6	11.0	.07	20	31	40	77	00	23,300	.5	.123	.024
Learning Strategies												
Kenyon $(N = 190)$	38.5	12.4	.90	20	33	40	47	60				
Private IPUG	39.5	13.1	.20	20	33	40	47	60	4,591	-1.0	.295	078
Carnegie Class	38.9	13.3	.11	20	27	40	47	60	14,856	4	.660	032
NSSE 2022 & 2023	38.2	13.9	.03	20	27	40	47	60	190	.3	.717	.024
Top 50%	39.8	13.9	.03	20	27	40	53	60	190	-1.3	.159	092
Top 10%	42.8	14.0	.08	20	33	40	60	60	192	-4.3	.000	307
Quantitative Reasoning												
Kenyon (N = 193)	25.1	16.2	1.17	0	13	27	40	53				
Private IPUG	29.5	15.3	.23	0	20	27	40	60	4,647	-4.4	.000	285
Carnegie Class	29.7	15.4	.13	0	20	27	40	60	15,073	-4.5	.000	296
NSSE 2022 & 2023	29.4	15.5	.03	0	20	27	40	60	304,775	-4.3	.000	277
Top 50%	30.7	15.3	.03	7	20	27	40	60	204,390	-5.6	.000	362
Top 10%	33.4	15.4	.09	7	20	33	40	60	32,960	-8.3	.000	537
Learning with Peers												
Collaborative Learning												
Kenyon (N = 225)	33.7	13.4	.89	15	25	30	40	60				
Private IPUG	32.6	13.0	.17	15	25	30	40	60	5,717	1.1	.214	.085
Carnegie Class	32.9	13.4	.10	10	25	30	40	60	18,751	.8	.388	.058
NSSE 2022 & 2023	29.2	15.0	.02	5	20	30	40	55	225	4.5	.000	.300
Top 50%	33.2	13.9	.03	10	25	35	40	60	228,637	.5	.603	.035
Top 10%	36.5	13.7	.06	15	25	35	45	60	46,078	-2.8	.003	206
Discussions with Diverse Othe												
Kenyon ( $N = 192$ )	37.7	12.6	.91	20	30	35	45	60				
Private IPUG	39.5	13.1	.20	20	30	40	50	60	4,614	-1.9	.055	142
Carnegie Class	40.4	14.0	.12	20	30	40	50	60	14,956	-2.7	.008	194
NSSE 2022 & 2023	38.1	15.8	.03	10	25	40	50	60	191	4	.646	026
Top 50%	40.5	14.8	.03	20	30	40	55	60	191	-2.8	.002	192
Top 10%	43.6	13.9	.09	20	35	40	60	60	195	-5.9	.000	429



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Kenyon College**

#### **Detailed Statistics: First-Year Students**

	Mea	n statisti	CS		Perce	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores		Со	mparison	results	
									Deg. of	Mean		Effect
	Mean	SD b	SE c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom <sup>e</sup>	diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	size <sup>g</sup>
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Kenyon $(N = 203)$	21.9	11.8	.83	5	15	20	30	45				
Private IPUG	23.4	14.0	.20	5	15	20	30	50	226	-1.6	.066	113
Carnegie Class	24.7	14.4	.11	5	15	20	35	55	209	-2.8	.001	193
NSSE 2022 & 2023	21.6	15.1	.03	0	10	20	30	50	202	.3	.733	.019
Top 50%	25.4	15.3	.05	5	15	25	35	60	203	-3.5	.000	229
Top 10%	29.3	15.3	.12	5	20	25	40	60	211	-7.4	.000	484
Effective Teaching Practices												
Kenyon $(N = 202)$	41.1	11.4	.81	20	36	40	48	60				
Private IPUG	40.5	11.6	.17	20	32	40	48	60	4,929	.6	.491	.049
Carnegie Class	40.2	12.3	.10	20	32	40	48	60	15,993	.9	.307	.072
NSSE 2022 & 2023	38.4	13.3	.02	16	28	40	48	60	201	2.7	.001	.204
Top 50%	40.1	13.5	.04	16	32	40	52	60	202	.9	.240	.070
Top 10%	43.3	13.3	.10	20	36	44	56	60	207	-2.2	.008	164
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
Kenyon $(N = 184)$	44.5	8.8	.65	30	40	45	50	58				
Private IPUG	43.3	10.0	.15	25	38	44	50	60	204	1.2	.073	.122
Carnegie Class	43.9	10.3	.09	26	38	44	50	60	190	.6	.347	.060
NSSE 2022 & 2023	43.0	11.8	.02	22	36	44	52	60	183	1.5	.025	.125
Top 50%	45.3	11.5	.03	24	38	46	54	60	184	8	.251	066
Top 10%	48.1	12.1	.08	24	42	50	60	60	189	-3.6	.000	301
Supportive Environment												
Kenyon $(N = 187)$	33.5	11.8	.86	15	25	33	40	55				
Private IPUG	36.0	12.1	.19	18	28	35	45	58	4,470	-2.5	.005	208
Carnegie Class	36.4	12.4	.10	18	28	38	45	60	14,433	-2.9	.001	237
NSSE 2022 & 2023	34.6	13.5	.03	13	25	35	43	60	186	-1.1	.208	081
Top 50%	36.8	13.1	.04	15	28	38	45	60	187	-3.3	.000	251
Top 10%	39.6	12.8	.10	20	30	40	50	60	15,083	-6.2	.000	483

a. Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institutional size for comparison groups).

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b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean  $\pm$ 1.96 x SE) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

g. Effect size is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Kenyon College**

**Detailed Statistics: Seniors** 

_	Mea	n statisti	cs		Perce	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores		Cc	mparison	results	.468 .058 .121 .122 .004 .226 .069 .127 .352073	
	Mean	SD <sup>b</sup>	SE <sup>c</sup>	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	Deg. of freedom <sup>e</sup>	Mean diff.	Sia. <sup>f</sup>		
Academic Challenge				5	250		750.	300.7	J	3,5	9-		
Higher-Order Learning													
Kenyon (N = 164)	43.8	12.1	.94	20	35	45	55	60					
Private IPUG	43.1	12.2	.20	20	35	40	55	60	4,014	.7	.468	.058	
Carnegie Class	42.3	12.6	.11	20	35	40	55	60	13,356	1.5			
NSSE 2022 & 2023	40.7	13.8	.02	20	30	40	50	60	402,891	3.1			
Top 50%	42.1	13.7	.03	20	35	40	55	60	163	1.7			
Top 10%	44.7	12.8	.10	20	40	45	60	60	17,898	9			
Reflective & Integrative Learning													
Kenyon $(N = 177)$	42.9	10.9	.82	23	37	43	51	60					
Private IPUG	42.0	11.6	.18	23	34	40	51	60	4,237	.9	.297	.080	
Carnegie Class	41.2	11.9	.10	20	34	40	51	60	14,203	1.7	.065	.139	
NSSE 2022 & 2023	38.7	12.9	.02	17	29	40	49	60	176	4.2	.000	.327	
Top 50%	40.6	12.5	.03	20	31	40	51	60	177	2.3	.006	.184	
Top 10%	43.1	11.9	.09	23	34	43	54	60	17,190	2	.826	017	
Learning Strategies													
Kenyon $(N = 159)$	38.6	12.6	1.00	20	33	40	47	60					
Private IPUG	38.7	13.5	.22	20	27	40	47	60	3,790	.0	.979	002	
Carnegie Class	38.6	13.7	.12	20	27	40	47	60	12,603	.1	.951	.005	
NSSE 2022 & 2023	39.2	14.6	.02	13	27	40	53	60	158	5	.603	036	
Top 50%	40.9	14.5	.03	20	33	40	53	60	158	-2.3	.023	160	
Top 10%	43.6	14.1	.08	20	33	40	60	60	160	-4.9	.000	349	
Quantitative Reasoning					•								
Kenyon (N = 161)	31.1	17.4	1.37	0	20	33	40	60					
Private IPUG	32.2	17.3	.29	0	20	33	47	60	3,827	-1.1	.429	064	
Carnegie Class	32.1	16.9	.15	0	20	33	40	60	12,730	-1.0	.453	059	
NSSE 2022 & 2023	31.4	16.6	.03	0	20	33	40	60	384,073	3	.848	015	
Top 50%	32.7	16.5	.03	7	20	33	40	60	235,626	-1.5	.238	093	
Top 10%	36.3	16.2	.12	7	20	40	47	60	19,054	-5.1	.000	316	
Learning with Peers													
Collaborative Learning													
Kenyon $(N = 177)$	34.2	14.4	1.08	15	25	35	45	60					
Private IPUG	33.9	13.7	.21	10	25	35	45	60	4,443	.3	.789	.020	
Carnegie Class	34.5	13.6	.11	15	25	35	45	60	14,908	3	.804	019	
NSSE 2022 & 2023	30.3	16.0	.02	0	20	30	40	60	452,077	4.0	.001	.248	
Top 50%	34.7	14.2	.03	10	25	35	45	60	188,288	5	.647	034	
Top 10%	38.1	13.6	.09	15	30	40	50	60	25,667	-3.9	.000	285	
Discussions with Diverse Others													
Kenyon (N = 158)	39.7	12.4	.99	20	30	40	50	60					
Private IPUG	39.4	13.2	.22	20	30	40	50	60	3,820	.3	.810	.020	
Carnegie Class	40.3	13.8	.12	20	30	40	50	60	12,668	6	.559	047	
NSSE 2022 & 2023	38.8	16.2	.03	10	25	40	55	60	157	.9	.377	.054	
Top 50%	41.1	15.6	.03	15	30	40	55	60	157	.9 -1.4	.165	088	
_	43.9	14.8	.03	20	35	45	60	60	160	-1.4 -4.2	.000		
Top 10%	43.9	14.0	.10	20	33	43	00	00	100	-4.∠	.000	288	



## **Detailed Statistics**<sup>a</sup> **Kenyon College**

**Detailed Statistics: Seniors** 

	Mea	n statisti	CS		Perce	ntile <sup>d</sup> sco	ores		Со	mparison	results	
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	Mean	SD b	SE c	5th	25th	50th	75th	95th	freedom <sup>e</sup>	diff.	Sig. <sup>f</sup>	size <sup>g</sup>
Experiences with Faculty												
Student-Faculty Interaction												
Kenyon $(N = 168)$	28.9	15.1	1.17	5	20	25	40	60				
Private IPUG	29.0	15.0	.24	10	20	25	40	60	4,106	2	.889	011
Carnegie Class	30.4	15.3	.13	10	20	30	40	60	13,730	-1.6	.191	101
NSSE 2022 & 2023	23.7	16.5	.03	0	10	20	35	60	415,286	5.1	.000	.312
Top 50%	29.6	16.2	.05	5	20	30	40	60	90,286	7	.581	043
Top 10%	34.3	15.8	.16	10	20	35	45	60	10,449	-5.4	.000	339
Effective Teaching Practices												
Kenyon $(N = 165)$	44.5	11.0	.85	24	36	44	52	60				
Private IPUG	42.0	12.1	.20	20	36	40	52	60	3,987	2.5	.010	.206
Carnegie Class	42.2	12.6	.11	20	35	40	52	60	169	2.3	.009	.181
NSSE 2022 & 2023	40.0	14.1	.02	16	32	40	52	60	164	4.5	.000	.316
Top 50%	42.1	13.8	.04	20	32	40	56	60	165	2.4	.006	.171
Top 10%	44.7	13.4	.09	20	36	44	56	60	168	2	.806	016
Campus Environment												
Quality of Interactions												
Kenyon $(N = 159)$	43.0	8.6	.68	28	38	42	48	58				
Private IPUG	42.1	10.2	.17	24	36	44	50	58	179	.9	.182	.093
Carnegie Class	43.0	10.5	.09	24	36	44	50	60	164	.0	.947	.004
NSSE 2022 & 2023	43.0	12.4	.02	20	36	44	52	60	159	.0	.943	004
Top 50%	45.4	12.1	.03	22	38	48	55	60	159	-2.4	.001	196
Top 10%	47.9	12.5	.07	22	40	50	60	60	161	-4.9	.000	390
Supportive Environment												
Kenyon $(N = 160)$	31.0	11.7	.93	13	23	30	38	53				
Private IPUG	32.9	12.0	.20	15	25	33	40	55	3,737	-1.8	.058	153
Carnegie Class	33.9	12.7	.11	14	25	33	43	58	12,416	-2.8	.005	222
NSSE 2022 & 2023	32.0	14.5	.02	8	20	33	40	60	159	9	.315	065
Top 50%	34.5	14.3	.04	10	25	35	45	60	160	-3.5	.000	245
Top 10%	37.7	13.9	.12	15	28	38	48	60	165	-6.6	.000	477

a. Results weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institutional size for comparison groups).

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b. Standard deviation is a measure of the amount the individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

c. Standard error of the mean, used to compute a confidence interval (CI) around the sample mean. For example, the 95% CI (equal to the sample mean  $\pm$ 1.96 x SE) is the range that is 95% likely to contain the true population mean.

d. A percentile is the point in the distribution of student-level EI scores at or below which a given percentage of EI scores fall.

e. Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values vary from the total Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

f. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between the mean of your institution and that of the comparison group occurred by chance.

g. Effect size is the mean difference divided by the pooled standard deviation.