

NSSE 2005 Benchmarks for JMU

Determined in 2004

Benchmark of Effective Educational Practice Brief description of benchmark.	How JMU Fared JMU scores compared with Master's and National Scores.	Direction ↑JMU is above ↓JMU is below ⇔JMU matches	Index Discussion When scores are statistically adjusted for the types of students that attend JMU, and for JMU institutional characteristics.
<i>Level of Academic Challenge</i> Emphasizing the importance of academic effort and setting high expectations for student performance.	JMU freshman scored slightly higher than Master's I & II institutions and slightly below the National average. JMU seniors matched the scores of Master's I & II institutions and score slightly lower than the National average.	↑ Master's ↓ National ⇔ Master's ↓ National	JMU's freshman score of 53.1 exceeded the predicted score of 51.5; freshmen were <u>more</u> engaged than expected. JMU's senior score of 56.8 exceeded the predicted score of 55.9; seniors were <u>more</u> engaged than expected.
<i>Active and Collaborative Learning</i> Student involvement and collaboration in learning and problem solving.	JMU freshman scored slightly below Master's I & II institutions and the National average. JMU seniors scored well above Master's I & II institutions and the National average.	↓ Master's ↓ National ↑↑↑ Master's ↑↑↑ National	JMU's freshman score of 41.3 exceeded the predicted score of 39.4; freshmen were <u>more</u> engaged than expected. JMU's senior score of 55.0 exceeded the predicted score of 50.4; seniors were <u>more</u> engaged than expected.
<i>Student-Faculty Interaction</i> Interacting with faculty in and out of the classroom.	JMU freshman scored below Master's I & II institutions and well below the National average. JMU seniors scored well above Master's I & II institutions and above the National average.	↓↓ Master's ↓↓↓ National ↑↑↑ Master's ↑↑ National	JMU's freshman score of 29.7 exceeded the predicted score of 28.4; freshmen were <u>more</u> engaged than expected. JMU's senior score of 47.1 exceeded the predicted score of 41.9; seniors were <u>more</u> engaged than expected.
<i>Enriching Educational Experiences</i> Complementary learning, diversity experiences, and technology.	JMU freshman scored slightly below Master's I & II institutions and the National average. JMU seniors scored well above Master's I & II institutions and the National average.	↓ Master's ↓ National ↑↑↑ Master's ↑↑↑ National	JMU's freshman score of 24.5 fell short of the predicted score of 25.9; freshmen were <u>less</u> engaged than expected. JMU's senior score of 45.1 exceeded the predicted score of 41.1; seniors were <u>more</u> engaged than expected.
<i>Supportive Campus Environment</i> Perception that college is committed to their success; positive campus relationships.	JMU freshman scored above Master's I & II institutions and the National average. JMU seniors scored above Master's I & II institutions and the National average.	↑↑ Master's ↑↑ National ↑↑ Master's ↑↑ National	JMU's freshman score of 65.6 exceeded the predicted score of 60.6; freshmen were <u>more</u> engaged than expected. JMU's senior score of 62.4 exceeded the predicted score of 56.7; seniors were <u>more</u> engaged than expected.