
NSSE 2017
Selected Comparison Groups
James Madison University

Comparison Groups

The NSSE *Institutional Report* displays core survey results for your students alongside those of three comparison groups. In May, your institution was invited to customize these groups via a form on the Institution Interface. This report summarizes how your comparison groups were constructed and lists the institutions within them.

NSSE comparison groups may be customized by (a) identifying specific institutions from the list of all 2016 and 2017 NSSE participants, (b) composing the group by selecting institutional characteristics, or (c) a combination of these. Institutions that chose not to customize received default groups^a that provide relevant comparisons for most institutions.

Institutions that appended additional question sets in the form of topical modules or through consortium participation were also invited to customize comparison groups for those reports. The default for those groups was all other 2016 and 2017 institutions where the questions were administered. Please note: Comparison group details for topical module and consortium reports are documented separately in those reports.

Report Comparisons

Comparison groups are located in the institutional reports as illustrated in the mock report at right. In this example, the three groups are "Private Doc-Granting," "Carnegie UG Program," and "NSSE 2016 & 2017."

Your Students' Responses
Comparison Group 1
Comparison Group 2
Comparison Group 3

First-Year Students

Frequency Distributions

Item wording or description	Variable name ^c	Values ^d	Response options	NSSEville State		Private Doc-Granting		Carnegie UG Program		NSSE 2016 & 2017	
				Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?											
a. Asked questions or contributed to course discussions in other ways	askquest	1	Never	45	4	1,462	5	816	5	3,978	3
		2	Sometimes	450	37	13,000	35	6,200	40	43,752	33
		3	Often	428	34	11,411	34	5,911	34	47,737	35
		4	Very often	307	25	7,173	22	3,759	21	39,041	28
			Total	1,230	100	33,087	100	17,396	100	134,508	100

Reading This Report

This report consists of three sections that provide details for each of your comparison groups, illustrated at right.

Comparison Group Name
The name assigned to the comparison group is listed here.

How Group was Constructed
Indicates whether your group was drawn from a list, built based on criteria, or is the default group. If institutional characteristics were used to build your comparison group, they are listed here.

Institution List
The names, cities and states or provinces of the comparison institutions are listed for your reference. NSSE 2016 participants are identified with an asterisk.

Comparison Group 1: Private Doc-Granting

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/2/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this group by selecting institutional characteristics as follows: Basic Classification (All Doc); Sector (Priv)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	All other current- and prior-year participating private Doctoral Universities.

Private Doc-Granting (N=51)

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adelphi University (Garden City, NY) American University (Washington, DC)* Azusa Pacific University (Azusa, CA) Boston College (Chestnut Hill, MA)* Boston University (Boston, MA)* Brigham Young University (Provo, UT) Capella University (Minneapolis, MN) Catholic University of America, The (Washington, DC) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Suffolk University (Boston, MA) Texas Christian University (Fort Worth, TX)* Trevecca Nazarene University (Nashville, TN) Trinity International University (Deerfield, IL) Tulane University (New Orleans, LA) Utsumi University (Jackson, TN) University of Dayton (Dayton, OH)* University of Denver (Denver, CO)*
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a. The default groups are:

- Comparison Group 1: For institutions not in a NSSE consortium, this group contains 2016 and 2017 NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private). For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other 2016 (if applicable) and 2017 consortium members.
- Comparison Group 2: All other 2016 and 2017 U.S. NSSE institutions sharing your institution's Basic Carnegie Classification. (Canadian institutions are not classified by the Carnegie Foundation, and must identify a comparison group.)
- Comparison Group 3: All other 2016 and 2017 U.S. NSSE institutions (2016 and 2017 Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

Comparison Group 1: Faculty Salary Peers

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/9/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this comparison group by selecting from the list of all 2016 and 2017 NSSE participants.
Group description (as provided by your institution)	<p>In 2016, the Academic Council convened to adopt a list of 13 faculty salary peer schools. Currently we consider this JMU's list of faculty salary peers.</p> <p>*Appalachian State is part of this peer group but did not participate in the NSSE. This NSSE comparison group consists of 12 institutions.</p>

Faculty Salary Peers (N=12)

Binghamton University (State University of New York) (Binghamton, NY)
 Clemson University (Clemson, SC)*
 College of Charleston (Charleston, SC)*
 Grand Valley State University (Allendale, MI)*
 Illinois State University (Normal, IL)*
 Miami University-Oxford (Oxford, OH)
 Rowan University (Glassboro, NJ)*
 Towson University (Towson, MD)
 University of North Carolina Wilmington (Wilmington, NC)
 University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls, IA)*
 West Chester University of Pennsylvania (West Chester, PA)*
 Western Washington University (Bellingham, WA)

Comparison Group 2: Community Engaged

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/15/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this comparison group by selecting from the list of all 2016 and 2017 NSSE participants.
Group description (as provided by your institution)	This comparison group contains other Carnegie classified "Master's Colleges & Universities - Large Programs" that also received the Carnegie designation of a "Community Engagement" institution.

Community Engaged (N=68)

Angelo State University (San Angelo, TX)	Saint Joseph's College (Standish, ME)*
Augsburg College (Minneapolis, MN)	Saint Mary's College of California (Moraga, CA)
Belmont University (Nashville, TN)*	Saint Peter's University (Jersey City, NJ)*
Bloomsburg University of Pennsylvania (Bloomsburg, PA)	Seattle University (Seattle, WA)
Butler University (Indianapolis, IN)	Southern Utah University (Cedar City, UT)*
Cabrini University (Radnor, PA)	Springfield College (Springfield, MA)*
California State University-Bakersfield (Bakersfield, CA)	St. Catherine University (Saint Paul, MN)
California State University-Chico (Chico, CA)*	St. Cloud State University (St Cloud, MN)
California State University-Dominguez Hills (Carson, CA)	St. Mary's University (San Antonio, TX)*
California State University-Long Beach (Long Beach, CA)	Stockton University (Galloway, NJ)*
California State University-Stanislaus (Turlock, CA)	SUNY College at Oswego (Oswego, NY)
California State University, Sacramento (Sacramento, CA)	SUNY Cortland (Cortland, NY)
Central Connecticut State University (New Britain, CT)	SUNY-Buffalo State College (Buffalo, NY)
Drake University (Des Moines, IA)*	Towson University (Towson, MD)
Eastern Kentucky University (Richmond, KY)*	University of Alaska Anchorage (Anchorage, AK)*
Fairfield University (Fairfield, CT)	University of Indianapolis (Indianapolis, IN)
Florida Gulf Coast University (Fort Myers, FL)	University of Michigan-Dearborn (Dearborn, MI)
Gannon University (Erie, PA)	University of Michigan-Flint (Flint, MI)*
Georgia College & State University (Milledgeville, GA)	University of North Carolina at Pembroke (Pembroke, NC)
Gonzaga University (Spokane, WA)*	University of North Carolina Wilmington (Wilmington, NC)
John Carroll University (Cleveland, OH)	University of North Florida (Jacksonville, FL)
La Salle University (Philadelphia, PA)	University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls, IA)*
Lawrence Technological University (Southfield, MI)	University of Scranton (Scranton, PA)
Loyola University New Orleans (New Orleans, LA)	University of Southern Indiana (Evansville, IN)*
Madonna University (Livonia, MI)*	University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, The (Chattanooga, TN)
Metropolitan State University (Saint Paul, MN)	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (Whitewater, WI)
Millersville University of Pennsylvania (Millersville, PA)	Weber State University (Ogden, UT)
Missouri State University (Springfield, MO)*	West Chester University of Pennsylvania (West Chester, PA)*
Nazareth College (Rochester, NY)*	Western Illinois University (Macomb, IL)
New England College (Henniker, NH)	Western Washington University (Bellingham, WA)
Notre Dame de Namur University (Belmont, CA)*	Westminster College (Salt Lake City, UT)*
Pfeiffer University (Misenheimer, NC)	Winthrop University (Rock Hill, SC)*
Plymouth State University (Plymouth, NH)	Xavier University (Cincinnati, OH)
Rollins College (Winter Park, FL)*	
Saginaw Valley State University (University Center, MI)	

*2016 participant

Comparison Group 3: NSSE 2016 & 2017

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/15/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution retained the default comparison group (NSSE 2016 and 2017 U.S. institutions).
Group description (as provided by your institution)	All other current- and prior-year NSSE institutions

NSSE 2016 & 2017 (N=961)

All other NSSE 2016 and 2017 U.S. participants

View list at nsse.indiana.edu/pdf/nsse2016and2017_list.pdf