BCSSE at State University (Demonstration Version Only) invites you to complete the Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement (BCSSE), which asks about some of your high school experiences and your expectations for college. The survey takes about 15-20 minutes to complete and is given to thousands of new students each year. Your input will help your institution provide a better educational experience for new students, will allow your institution to compare responses with those of students at other schools, and will be used in national studies of the undergraduate experience.

Your participation in this study is voluntary. This survey is conducted on behalf of your institution by the Indiana University Center for Postsecondary Research, who will send your identified responses to your university for institutional assessment. Information associated with your name will never be released publicly, but personally identifiable survey responses may be inspected by your university and government organizations when required by law. The survey asks for your student ID number and your given/first name, as well as your family/last name, which accompanies your survey responses. Your ID and name are requested so that your responses can be matched with your institution’s records for three reasons: (1) assessing new student programs, (2) providing individualized information to your academic advisor, and (3) to invite you to complete a possible follow-up survey this next spring.

By completing the survey, you give your institution permission to link your responses to your academic records, as well as to your responses to a possible follow-up survey.

For more information about the survey, email the Center for Postsecondary Research at bcsse@indiana.edu or call 812-856-5824. For information about the project on your campus or your institution's interest in using the results, please contact your university BCSSE contact. With questions or concerns about your rights as a participant in this research project, contact the Indiana University Office of Human Subjects Committee at 812-856-4242 or iub_hsc@indiana.edu.

On to the survey—

If you have read this form and agree to take part in this survey, click the “Proceed to the survey” button.

Proceed to the survey
Please enter your Student ID number in the box below. If you do not know your Student ID, enter your school email ID. For example, if your email address is "jsmith@nsseville.edu," you would enter "jsmith" as your ID. Do not enter your Social Security number.

Student ID:  

Please enter your name below.

Given / First Name

Family / Last Name
Community service or volunteer work
Religious youth groups
Vocational clubs (business, health, technology, etc.)
Academic clubs or honor societies
Publications (student newspaper, yearbook, etc.)
Student government
Athletic teams (varsity, JV, club sport, etc.)
Performing or visual arts programs (band, chorus, theater, art, etc.)

Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue
Included diverse perspectives (political, religious, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.) in course discussions or assignments
Summarized what you learned in class or from course materials
Identified key information from reading assignments
Evaluated what others have concluded from numerical information

During your college or university courses for credit
Advanced Placement (AP)

During high school, how many of the following types of classes did you complete?
ACT: Composite (possible range= 1-36)
SAT: Math (possible range= 200-800)
SAT: Reading & Writing (possible range= 200-800)

If you completed the SAT and/or ACT, enter your scores below (as best you remember):

High School Name:
State:
In the drop-down box below, please select the state for the high school where you earned your diploma.
If you graduated from a non-US high school, please select the option "Non-US High School" in the drop-down box.

Next, please search for and select the high school where you earned your diploma.
If you were homeschooled, earned a GED, or attended an online high school, please enter "Homeschool", "GED", or "Online" as appropriate.

Which of the following were you required to take? (Select all that apply)

Probability or Statistics
Calculus
Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry
Algebra II

Almost all
Most
About half
Some
Very little

Prior to 2015
2015
2016
2017
2018

Grades not used
C+ or lower
C
C+
B+
A-
A
A+

Save and Return Later
Continue
Contact Us
Which of the following sources are you using to pay for your education expenses:

- Personal savings or other sources
- Employment on- or off-campus
- Grants or scholarships
- Loans
- Support from parents or relatives

During the coming school year, about how often do you expect to seek help with:

- Learning support services (tutoring, writing center, success coaching, etc.)
- Help managing your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)
- Opportunities to interact with students from different backgrounds (social, racial/ethnic, religious, etc.)
- A challenging academic experience
- Learning effectively on your own
- Work effectively with others
- Think critically and analytically
- Speak clearly and effectively
- Write clearly and effectively

During the coming school year, how difficult do you expect the following to be:

- Finish something you have started when you encounter challenges
- Participate regularly in course discussions, even when you don’t feel like it

During the coming school year, how certain are you that you will do the following?

- Interact with people with political views other than your own
- Interact with people with religious beliefs other than your own
- Interact with people from an economic background other than your own
- Interact with people of a race or ethnicity other than your own

During the coming school year, of the time you expect to spend preparing for class in a typical 7-day week, about how much will be on assigned reading?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

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- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

During the coming school year, how much time do you expect to spend preparing for class in a typical 7-day week?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

During the coming school year, how much time do you expect to spend on coursework from the following sources?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

During the coming school year, of the time you expect to spend preparing for class in a typical 7-day week, how important are the following?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

During the coming school year, how important is the following?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

During the coming school year, of the time you expect to spend preparing for class in a typical 7-day week, how important is the following?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

During the coming school year, how certain are you that you will do the following?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most

During the coming school year, how certain are you that you will do the following?

- 0
- Very little
- Some
- About half
- Most
What do you expect most of your grades will be during the coming year? (Select only one.)

- A+
- A
- A-
- B+
- B
- B-
- C+
- C
- C- or lower
- Grades not used

Do you expect to graduate from this institution?

- Yes
- No
- Uncertain

Do you know what your major will be?

- Yes
- No
Are you (or will you be) a full-time student at this institution?

- Yes
- No

How many of your close friends will attend this institution during the coming year?

- None
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4 or more

This institution was your:

- First choice
- Second choice
- Third choice or lower

What is your gender identity?

- Man
- Woman
- Another gender identity
- I prefer not to respond

Are you an international student or foreign national?

- Yes
- No

What is your racial or ethnic identification? (Select all that apply.)

- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Asian
- Black or African American
- Hispanic or Latino
- Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander
- White
- Other
- I prefer not to respond

Regarding your parents (or those who raised you), what is the highest level of education completed by either of them?

- Did not finish high school
- High school diploma or GED
- Attended college but did not complete degree
- Associate's degree (AA, AS, etc.)
- Bachelor's degree (BA, BS, etc.)
- Master's degree (MA, MS, etc.)
- Doctoral or professional degree (PhD, JD, MD, etc.)

Which of the following best describes where you will be living while attending college?

- Campus housing (other than a fraternity or sorority house)
- Fraternity or sorority house
- House, apartment, or other residence within walking distance to campus
- House, apartment, or other residence farther than walking distance to campus
- Not applicable: No campus, entirely online program, etc.
- Not applicable: Homeless or in transition

Continue
THANKS FOR SHARING YOUR RESPONSES!

Your responses to the survey were successfully submitted. Questions or comments? Contact us.

For security purposes, please close your browser window to exit the survey.