



NSSE 2021 Consortium Report Honors Education Consortium

Fairmont State University

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First-Year Students

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1. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?										
a. I often discuss socio-political issues with my family or friends.	HON01a	1	Strongly disagree	11	7	361	6	3.6	3.5	.04
		2	Disagree	16	9	818	13			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	51	28	1,401	23			
		4	Agree	59	33	2,315	39			
		5	Strongly agree	35	23	1,031	18			
		Total		172	100	5,926	100			
b. I find that studying gives me a feeling of deep personal satisfaction.	HON01b	1	Strongly disagree	11	7	364	6	3.3	3.2	.06
		2	Disagree	30	19	1,032	18			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	41	24	1,818	31			
		4	Agree	63	36	2,113	35			
		5	Strongly agree	25	14	588	10			
		Total		170	100	5,915	100			
c. I spend a lot of free time learning more about interesting topics that have been discussed in my courses.	HON01c	1	Strongly disagree	10	7	320	5	3.2	3.1	.13
		2	Disagree	31	17	1,465	25			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	63	35	1,906	31			
		4	Agree	47	28	1,808	31			
		5	Strongly agree	20	13	424	7			
		Total		171	100	5,923	100			
d. I find it difficult to admit when I have been wrong about an idea.	HON01d	1	Strongly disagree	26	16	427	8	2.6	2.7	-.11
		2	Disagree	65	36	2,371	40			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	39	23	1,498	25			
		4	Agree	33	19	1,358	22			
		5	Strongly agree	9	6	263	4			
		Total		172	100	5,917	100			
e. I think of my life in terms of giving back to society.	HON01e	1	Strongly disagree	7	5	160	3	3.5	3.4	.02
		2	Disagree	18	12	637	12			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	46	26	2,107	35			
		4	Agree	81	46	2,325	38			
		5	Strongly agree	18	11	686	12			
		Total		170	100	5,915	100			
2. During your time at this institution, about how often have you taken a course that addresses issues from the perspectives of different fields of study?										
	HON02	1	Never	22	13	640	11	2.4	2.4	-.03
		2	Sometimes	81	48	2,754	46			
		3	Often	44	26	1,842	32			
		4	Very Often	23	13	631	11			
		Total		170	100	5,867	100			
3. On a scale from 1 to 7, with 7 being "very much" and 1 being "not at all," to what extent do you feel that your college experience has done the following?										
a. Taught you how to handle adversity and failure	HON03a	1	Not at all	13	8	379	7	4.4	4.2	.13
		2		12	7	509	9			
		3		23	13	837	15			
		4		37	22	1,528	26			
		5		35	20	1,431	24			
		6		22	12	683	12			
		7	Very much	27	17	523	9			
		Total		169	100	5,890	100			

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b. Increased your comfort with asking difficult questions or taking unconventional positions	HON03b	1	Not at all	12	9	365	7	4.5	4.3 *	.15 △
		2		13	7	493	8			
		3		15	9	856	14			
		4		33	20	1,380	23			
		5		42	25	1,458	24			
		6		26	15	771	14			
		7	Very much	28	16	563	10			
	Total	169	100	5,886	100					
c. Encouraged you to explore new opportunities	HON03c	1	Not at all	7	5	194	3	4.9	4.8	.07
		2		12	6	312	5			
		3		10	6	573	10			
		4		31	19	1,195	20			
		5		41	23	1,625	27			
		6		35	20	1,131	19			
		7	Very much	32	20	850	14			
	Total	168	100	5,880	100					
d. Made you feel that you are part of an academic community that encourages thoughtful reflection and intellectual growth	HON03d	1	Not at all	11	7	271	5	4.6	4.6	-.01
		2		16	9	394	7			
		3		15	9	632	11			
		4		29	18	1,311	22			
		5		41	25	1,502	25			
		6		26	13	1,003	17			
		7	Very much	31	19	763	13			
	Total	169	100	5,876	100					
e. Changed your life in positive ways	HON03e	1	Not at all	13	8	293	5	4.7	4.6	.06
		2		10	5	332	6			
		3		15	9	620	10			
		4		27	17	1,358	23			
		5		42	24	1,442	25			
		6		29	17	990	17			
		7	Very much	33	20	849	14			
	Total	169	100	5,884	100					
4. During your time at this institution, to what extent have your courses. . .										
a. Inspired you to make connections between ideas from different fields of study?	HON04a	1	Not at all	11	8	253	5	4.4	4.5	-.08
		2		13	7	362	6			
		3		21	11	744	12			
		4		42	26	1,458	24			
		5		36	22	1,540	26			
		6		25	14	886	15			
		7	Very much	21	12	631	11			
	Total	169	100	5,874	100					

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b. Delved deeply into complex issues?	HON04b	1	Not at all	12	7	267	5	4.6	4.5	.04
		2		14	8	362	6			
		3		20	10	706	12			
		4		33	20	1,523	25			
		5		34	22	1,519	26			
		6		30	17	850	14			
		7	Very much	26	16	644	11			
	Total	169	100	5,871	100					
5. To what extent...										
a. Do you feel free to express your personal views on politics in class or in social spaces on campus?	HON05a	1	Not at all	23	15	551	10	4.0	4.3 *	-.18
		2		19	11	501	9			
		3		27	14	695	12			
		4		36	22	1,327	22			
		5		26	15	1,273	21			
		6		17	10	808	14			
		7	Very much	21	14	708	13			
	Total	169	100	5,863	100					
b. Have advisors at this institution encouraged you to take courses outside your major in order to broaden your intellectual horizons?	HON05b	1	Not at all	28	19	992	17	3.8	3.7	.06
		2		22	12	699	12			
		3		21	11	855	15			
		4		32	19	1,292	22			
		5		26	16	1,037	18			
		6		20	11	563	9			
		7	Very much	20	12	419	7			
	Total	169	100	5,857	100					
c. Do you prefer to eliminate uncertainty when confronted with conflicting views on a topic?	HON05c	1	Not at all	13	8	243	4	4.4	4.4	.02
		2		8	4	379	6			
		3		19	11	725	12			
		4		53	32	1,900	32			
		5		34	20	1,407	24			
		6		18	11	649	12			
		7	Very much	23	14	522	9			
	Total	168	100	5,825	100					
d. Are you interested in taking a course on a topic outside of your major area(s) or comfort zone?	HON05d	1	Not at all	22	14	361	6	4.3	4.6	-.16
		2		16	9	420	7			
		3		13	8	661	11			
		4		33	20	1,283	22			
		5		33	19	1,390	24			
		6		25	16	863	15			
		7	Very much	26	15	872	15			
	Total	168	100	5,850	100					
6. Would you be willing to take a position that you thought was correct or inventive, even if you thought it might be challenged by a professor or other person in authority?										
	HON06	1	Definitely no	6	4	113	2	2.9	3.0	-.07
		2	Probably no	43	26	1,209	19			
		3	Probably yes	75	43	3,255	56			
		4	Definitely yes	43	28	1,245	23			
			Total	167	100	5,822	100			

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				Count	%	Count	%	Mean	Mean	
7. Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate?^j										
a. Present the results of research, scholarly activities, or creative works at a formal conference or exhibition <i>on your own campus</i>	HON07a <i>(Means indicate the percentage who responded "Done or in progress.")</i>		Have not decided	62	35	2,092	37	4%	3%	.08
			Do not plan to do	54	32	1,695	29			
			Plan to do	45	28	1,855	32			
			Done or in progress	6	4	154	3			
			Total	167	100	5,796	100			
b. Present the results of research, scholarly activities, or creative works <i>off campus</i> at an academic conference, exhibition, or other venue	HON07b <i>(Means indicate the percentage who responded "Done or in progress.")</i>		Have not decided	67	38	2,290	40	3%	2%	.10
			Do not plan to do	57	34	1,829	31			
			Plan to do	38	24	1,568	27			
			Done or in progress	5	3	99	2			
			Total	167	100	5,786	100			
8. How important is each one of the following to you personally?										
a. Making a lot of money	HON08a	1	Not very important	9	6	179	3	3.2	3.5 **	-0.24 ▽
		2	Somewhat important	26	15	842	14			
		3	Moderately important	66	39	1,736	29			
		4	Pretty important	48	28	2,123	37			
		5	Extremely important	18	11	927	16			
			Total	167	100	5,807	100			
b. Using my creativity to make artistic works or new contributions in a field	HON08b	1	Not very important	20	13	532	9	3.1	3.3	-.13
		2	Somewhat important	31	19	992	17			
		3	Moderately important	47	29	1,662	28			
		4	Pretty important	41	23	1,688	29			
		5	Extremely important	27	16	921	16			
			Total	166	100	5,795	100			
c. Making a difference in the world	HON08c	1	Not very important	6	4	142	3	3.9	3.9	.00
		2	Somewhat important	13	7	491	9			
		3	Moderately important	32	20	1,160	20			
		4	Pretty important	51	31	1,902	32			
		5	Extremely important	65	37	2,096	36			
			Total	167	100	5,791	100			
d. Having a job that reflects my personality, interests, and values	HON08d	1	Not very important	4	3	78	1	4.2	4.3	-.11
		2	Somewhat important	7	5	242	4			
		3	Moderately important	19	12	601	11			
		4	Pretty important	58	34	1,959	34			
		5	Extremely important	79	46	2,906	49			
			Total	167	100	5,786	100			
e. Arriving at a personal understanding of the meaning and purpose of life	HON08e	1	Not very important	8	6	228	5	3.9	3.9	-.01
		2	Somewhat important	11	7	467	8			
		3	Moderately important	31	20	1,071	19			
		4	Pretty important	55	32	1,951	33			
		5	Extremely important	62	36	2,076	35			
			Total	167	100	5,793	100			

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f. Becoming a leader in the community or in my profession	HON08f	1	Not very important	15	9	427	8	3.3	3.4	-.12
		2	Somewhat important	22	14	764	13			
		3	Moderately important	57	34	1,595	28			
		4	Pretty important	40	24	1,727	29			
		5	Extremely important	31	19	1,273	22			
		Total		165	100	5,786	100			
9. During the current school year, how often do you exercise or get other physical activity that causes noticeable increases in your breathing or heart rate?										
	HON09	1	Less than once a month	17	11	581	10	4.3	4.2	.09
		2	Once a month	15	8	436	7			
		3	Several times a month	16	10	712	12			
		4	Once a week	18	10	969	17			
		5	Several times a week	56	33	2,223	39			
		6	Daily	44	28	863	16			
Total		166	100	5,784	100					
10. How often was each of the following things true during the past week? (Comparison data are limited to NSSE 2021.)										
a. You felt depressed.	HON10a_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	53	35	1,085	28	1.2	1.3	-.11
		1	Some or a little of the time	46	26	1,189	29			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	42	25	1,191	29			
		3	Most or all of the time	25	14	654	15			
		Total		166	100	4,119	100			
b. You felt sad.	HON10b_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	34	24	630	17	1.2	1.4 *	-0.19 ▽
		1	Some or a little of the time	70	41	1,536	38			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	40	23	1,359	32			
		3	Most or all of the time	22	12	589	13			
Total		166	100	4,114	100					
c. You felt happy.	HON10c_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	4	3	122	3	2.0	2.0	.11
		1	Some or a little of the time	38	24	949	23			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	69	39	1,987	48			
		3	Most or all of the time	56	34	1,056	26			
Total		167	100	4,114	100					
d. You felt that you could not shake off the blues, even with help from your family and your friends.	HON10d_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	51	33	1,319	34	1.1	1.1	-.08
		1	Some or a little of the time	62	38	1,276	31			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	36	20	1,029	24			
		3	Most or all of the time	16	9	494	12			
Total		165	100	4,118	100					
e. You felt that life was not worth living.	HON10e_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	114	68	2,796	69	0.5	0.5	.00
		1	Some or a little of the time	25	16	682	16			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	22	13	433	10			
		3	Most or all of the time	5	3	201	5			
Total		166	100	4,112	100					

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11. Are you currently part of an honors program or honors college at your institution?^j										
1	HON11a_20	No		128	77	4,479	78	21%	20%	.04
		Yes		35	21	1,152	20			
		Not applicable, to my knowledge my inst. does not have an honors program or college		3	2	157	3			
		Total		166	100	5,788	100			
[If answered "yes"] In which of the following types of honors are you currently participating at your institution?										
	HON11b_20_1	—	Honors program with a special honors curriculum or honors program/college completion requirements	24	76	604	61			
	HON11b_20_2	—	Honors track in your major or department	5	17	128	12			
	HON11b_20_3	—	University, college, or department honor for high GPA (e.g., Dean's List)	20	62	568	55			
	HON11b_20_4	—	National honor society specific to your major or discipline (i.e. Psi Chi, TriBeta, etc.)	0	0	27	3			
	HON11b_20_5	—	National honor society that is not specific to a major or disc. (i.e. Mortar Board, Phi Beta Kappa, etc.)	0	0	111	11			
	HON11b_20_6	—	Other, please specify:	0	0	20	2			
12. Did you vote in the U.S. Presidential election in November 2020?^j										
<i>(Comparison data are limited to NSSE 2021.)</i>										
	HON12_21	No		47	28	952	22	70%	73%	-.05
		Yes, I voted in person		90	55	2,367	56			
		Yes, I voted using an absentee or other mail-in ballot		25	15	583	17			
		Don't remember		1	0	67	1			
		I was not old enough/eligible to vote on November 3, 2020		3	1	197	4			
		Total		166	100	4,166	100			

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1. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?										
a. I often discuss socio-political issues with my family or friends.	HON01a	1	Strongly disagree	6	8	444	5	3.3	3.7 ***	-0.34
		2	Disagree	14	15	1,020	11			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	33	31	1,686	19			
		4	Agree	35	32	3,642	41			
		5	Strongly agree	15	14	2,001	23			
		Total		103	100	8,793	100			
b. I find that studying gives me a feeling of deep personal satisfaction.	HON01b	1	Strongly disagree	4	3	538	6	3.5	3.4	.11
		2	Disagree	12	14	1,355	16			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	28	29	2,373	27			
		4	Agree	43	40	3,230	37			
		5	Strongly agree	16	14	1,263	14			
		Total		103	100	8,759	100			
c. I spend a lot of free time learning more about interesting topics that have been discussed in my courses.	HON01c	1	Strongly disagree	4	3	345	4	3.4	3.4	.07
		2	Disagree	17	18	1,620	18			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	30	27	2,493	28			
		4	Agree	37	37	3,265	37			
		5	Strongly agree	15	15	1,051	12			
		Total		103	100	8,774	100			
d. I find it difficult to admit when I have been wrong about an idea.	HON01d	1	Strongly disagree	14	13	1,011	12	2.6	2.5	.12
		2	Disagree	43	39	4,039	46			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	24	26	1,983	22			
		4	Agree	15	14	1,465	16			
		5	Strongly agree	8	8	271	3			
		Total		104	100	8,769	100			
e. I think of my life in terms of giving back to society.	HON01e	1	Strongly disagree	2	2	243	3	3.5	3.6	-0.03
		2	Disagree	14	15	915	11			
		3	Neither agree nor disagree	29	26	2,536	29			
		4	Agree	41	39	3,599	41			
		5	Strongly agree	18	17	1,479	17			
		Total		104	100	8,772	100			
2. During your time at this institution, about how often have you taken a course that addresses issues from the perspectives of different fields of study?										
	HON02	1	Never	11	9	762	9	2.6	2.5	.16
		2	Sometimes	45	44	4,031	47			
		3	Often	19	21	2,644	30			
		4	Very Often	25	26	1,283	14			
		Total		100	100	8,720	100			
3. On a scale from 1 to 7, with 7 being "very much" and 1 being "not at all," to what extent do you feel that your college experience has done the following?										
a. Taught you how to handle adversity and failure	HON03a	1	Not at all	7	7	621	8	4.8	4.5	.19
		2		3	4	669	8			
		3		7	7	901	10			
		4		23	22	1,740	20			
		5		19	19	2,139	24			
		6		22	22	1,333	15			
		7	Very much	20	19	1,345	15			
		Total		101	100	8,748	100			

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b. Increased your comfort with asking difficult questions or taking unconventional positions	HON03b	1	Not at all	5	5	569	7	5.0	4.6 *	.20 △
		2		1	2	560	7			
		3		9	9	902	10			
		4		23	24	1,626	19			
		5		21	21	2,210	25			
		6		14	12	1,502	17			
		7	Very much	28	26	1,365	15			
	Total	101	100	8,734	100					
c. Encouraged you to explore new opportunities	HON03c	1	Not at all	5	5	354	4	5.0	5.0	.04
		2		1	2	410	5			
		3		7	8	710	8			
		4		23	25	1,427	17			
		5		19	19	2,143	25			
		6		17	16	1,806	20			
		7	Very much	28	26	1,889	21			
	Total	100	100	8,739	100					
d. Made you feel that you are part of an academic community that encourages thoughtful reflection and intellectual growth	HON03d	1	Not at all	5	5	514	6	5.0	4.7	.14
		2		6	6	547	6			
		3		9	10	871	10			
		4		18	18	1,633	19			
		5		20	19	2,044	23			
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		2		3	2	371	4			
		3		9	13	670	8			
		4		16	17	1,577	18			
		5		28	28	2,002	23			
		6		14	12	1,704	19			
		7	Very much	30	28	2,081	24			
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		2		3	3	449	5			
		3		4	6	854	10			
		4		25	26	1,675	19			
		5		25	25	2,175	25			
		6		14	12	1,602	18			
		7	Very much	26	25	1,624	18			
	Total	101	100	8,713	100					

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Item wording or description	Variable name	Values ^c	Response options	Frequency Distributions ^a				Statistical Comparisons ^b		
				Fairmont State		Honors Consortium		Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	
				Count	%	Count	%	Mean	Mean	Effect size ^d
b. Delved deeply into complex issues?	HON04b	1	Not at all	4	3	341	4	5.0	4.9	.06
		2		4	5	450	5			
		3		6	6	826	10			
		4		27	29	1,677	19			
		5		21	19	2,109	24			
		6		12	12	1,651	19			
		7	Very much	28	26	1,665	19			
		Total		102	100	8,719	100			
5. To what extent...										
a. Do you feel free to express your personal views on politics in class or in social spaces on campus?	HON05a	1	Not at all	12	14	1,001	12	4.5	4.3	.13
		2		4	4	755	9			
		3		7	8	1,004	12			
		4		24	23	1,724	19			
		5		18	16	1,677	19			
		6		13	12	1,265	14			
		7	Very much	23	23	1,281	15			
		Total		101	100	8,707	100			
b. Have advisors at this institution encouraged you to take courses outside your major in order to broaden your intellectual horizons?	HON05b	1	Not at all	11	10	2,298	27	4.4	3.3 ***	.56
		2		4	5	1,125	13			
		3		12	13	1,136	13			
		4		27	29	1,559	18			
		5		15	13	1,226	14			
		6		10	9	663	8			
		7	Very much	21	20	690	8			
		Total		100	100	8,697	100			
c. Do you prefer to eliminate uncertainty when confronted with conflicting views on a topic?	HON05c	1	Not at all	7	6	489	6	4.7	4.4 *	.21
		2		1	1	517	6			
		3		8	9	975	11			
		4		32	33	2,679	30			
		5		20	20	2,066	24			
		6		12	11	1,040	12			
		7	Very much	21	20	897	11			
		Total		101	100	8,663	100			
d. Are you interested in taking a course on a topic outside of your major area(s) or comfort zone?	HON05d	1	Not at all	10	8	780	9	4.6	4.7	-.03
		2		1	1	495	6			
		3		10	12	700	8			
		4		32	33	1,534	18			
		5		15	14	1,956	22			
		6		13	12	1,419	16			
		7	Very much	21	21	1,800	21			
		Total		102	100	8,684	100			
6. Would you be willing to take a position that you thought was correct or inventive, even if you thought it might be challenged by a professor or other person in authority?										
	HON06	1	Definitely no	0	0	194	2	3.1	3.1	.07
		2	Probably no	19	19	1,479	16			
		3	Probably yes	52	49	4,546	52			
		4	Definitely yes	30	32	2,437	30			
		Total		101	100	8,656	100			

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				Fairmont State		Honors Consortium		Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	
				Count	%	Count	%	Mean	Mean	Effect size ^d
7. Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate?^j										
a. Present the results of research, scholarly activities, or creative works at a formal conference or exhibition <i>on your own campus</i>	HON07a <i>(Means indicate the percentage who responded "Done or in progress.")</i>		Have not decided	15	11	1,363	16	21%	14% *	.19 △
			Do not plan to do	46	47	4,544	53			
			Plan to do	21	21	1,506	18			
			Done or in progress	20	21	1,191	14			
			Total	102	100	8,604	100			
b. Present the results of research, scholarly activities, or creative works <i>off campus</i> at an academic conference, exhibition, or other venue	HON07b <i>(Means indicate the percentage who responded "Done or in progress.")</i>		Have not decided	18	14	1,530	18	10%	9%	.05
			Do not plan to do	53	53	4,932	57			
			Plan to do	20	22	1,384	16			
			Done or in progress	11	10	741	9			
			Total	102	100	8,587	100			
8. How important is each one of the following to you personally?										
a. Making a lot of money	HON08a		1 Not very important	4	4	451	6	3.4	3.3	.09
			2 Somewhat important	19	20	1,500	17			
			3 Moderately important	29	25	2,762	31			
			4 Pretty important	33	33	2,847	33			
			5 Extremely important	16	17	1,074	13			
			Total	101	100	8,634	100			
b. Using my creativity to make artistic works or new contributions in a field	HON08b		1 Not very important	17	15	1,020	12	3.1	3.2	-.03
			2 Somewhat important	12	12	1,529	18			
			3 Moderately important	34	33	2,259	26			
			4 Pretty important	22	23	2,364	27			
			5 Extremely important	16	17	1,440	17			
			Total	101	100	8,612	100			
c. Making a difference in the world	HON08c		1 Not very important	2	2	275	3	3.9	3.9	.04
			2 Somewhat important	11	11	768	9			
			3 Moderately important	19	21	1,718	20			
			4 Pretty important	30	29	2,723	31			
			5 Extremely important	39	38	3,131	36			
			Total	101	100	8,615	100			
d. Having a job that reflects my personality, interests, and values	HON08d		1 Not very important	2	2	158	2	4.0	4.2	-.15
			2 Somewhat important	5	4	434	5			
			3 Moderately important	21	22	939	12			
			4 Pretty important	32	34	2,967	34			
			5 Extremely important	41	39	4,126	47			
			Total	101	100	8,624	100			
e. Arriving at a personal understanding of the meaning and purpose of life	HON08e		1 Not very important	5	5	452	6	3.8	3.8	-.02
			2 Somewhat important	8	8	745	9			
			3 Moderately important	23	22	1,535	18			
			4 Pretty important	30	29	2,678	31			
			5 Extremely important	35	35	3,207	36			
			Total	101	100	8,617	100			

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				Fairmont State		Honors Consortium		Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	
				Count	%	Count	%	Mean	Mean	Effect size ^d
f. Becoming a leader in the community or in my profession	HON08f	1	Not very important	17	17	813	10	3.4	3.4	.01
		2	Somewhat important	9	8	1,208	14			
		3	Moderately important	23	22	2,220	26			
		4	Pretty important	26	26	2,477	28			
		5	Extremely important	26	27	1,908	22			
		Total		101	100	8,626	100			
9. During the current school year, how often do you exercise or get other physical activity that causes noticeable increases in your breathing or heart rate?										
	HON09	1	Less than once a month	9	9	991	11	4.1	4.0	.06
		2	Once a month	7	6	657	7			
		3	Several times a month	16	17	1,194	14			
		4	Once a week	18	17	1,430	16			
		5	Several times a week	35	37	3,299	39			
		6	Daily	14	14	1,033	13			
Total		99	100	8,604	100					
10. How often was each of the following things true during the past week?										
<i>(Comparison data are limited to NSSE 2021.)</i>										
a. You felt depressed.	HON10a_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	36	38	1,948	28	1.0	1.3 *	-0.24
		1	Some or a little of the time	31	30	2,149	30			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	24	23	1,951	27			
		3	Most or all of the time	9	9	1,038	14			
		Total		100	100	7,086	100			
b. You felt sad.	HON10b_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	28	29	1,397	21	1.0	1.3 **	-0.32
		1	Some or a little of the time	47	48	2,703	38			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	17	16	2,121	29			
		3	Most or all of the time	8	8	853	12			
Total		100	100	7,074	100					
c. You felt happy.	HON10c_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	8	9	240	4	2.0	1.9	.05
		1	Some or a little of the time	18	17	1,845	26			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	41	44	3,225	45			
		3	Most or all of the time	33	30	1,773	25			
Total		100	100	7,083	100					
d. You felt that you could not shake off the blues, even with help from your family and your friends.	HON10d_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	45	45	2,509	36	0.9	1.1 *	-0.20
		1	Some or a little of the time	29	28	2,149	30			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	21	22	1,638	23			
		3	Most or all of the time	5	5	778	11			
Total		100	100	7,074	100					
e. You felt that life was not worth living.	HON10e_21	0	Rarely or none of the time	72	70	4,927	70	0.4	0.5	-0.07
		1	Some or a little of the time	17	20	1,177	16			
		2	Occasionally or a moderate amount of time	9	8	667	9			
		3	Most or all of the time	2	2	311	4			
Total		100	100	7,082	100					

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				Fairmont State		Honors Consortium		Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	Effect size ^d
				Count	%	Count	%	Mean	Mean	
11. Are you currently part of an honors program or honors college at your institution?^j										
	HON11a_20	No		69	68	6,252	73	24%	24%	.02
	<i>(Means indicate the percentage who responded "Yes.")</i>	Yes		26	24	2,105	24			
		Not applicable, to my knowledge my inst. does not have an honors program or college		7	8	271	3			
		Total		102	100	8,628	100			
[If answered "yes"] In which of the following types of honors are you currently participating at your institution?^j										
	HON11b_20_1	—	Honors program with a special honors curriculum or honors program/college completion requirements	13	57	738	39			
	HON11b_20_2	—	Honors track in your major or department	5	19	299	16			
	HON11b_20_3	—	University, college, or department honor for high GPA (e.g., Dean's List)	11	40	1,346	70			
	HON11b_20_4	—	National honor society specific to your major or discipline (i.e. Psi Chi, TriBeta, etc.)	9	31	367	19			
	HON11b_20_5	—	National honor society that is not specific to a major or disc. (i.e. Mortar Board, Phi Beta Kappa, etc.)	0	0	433	24			
	HON11b_20_6	—	Other, please specify:	2	6	52	3			
12. Did you vote in the U.S. Presidential election in November 2020?^j										
<i>(Comparison data are limited to NSSE 2021.)</i>										
	HON12_21	No		26	24	1,342	18	73%	77%	-.09
	<i>(Means indicate the percentage who responded "Yes.")</i>	Yes, I voted in person		55	54	4,425	61			
		Yes, I voted using an absentee or other mail-in ballot		19	19	1,041	16			
		Don't remember		2	2	93	1			
		I was not old enough/eligible to vote on November 3, 2020		0	0	252	3			
		Total		102	100	7,153	100			

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First-Year Students

Variable name	N	Mean		Standard error ^f		Standard deviation ^g		DF ^h	Sig. ⁱ	Effect size ^d
	Fairmont State	Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	Comparisons with: Honors Consortium		
HON01a	175	3.56	3.51	.086	.014	1.14	1.11	6,430	.570	.04
HON01b	173	3.30	3.24	.087	.013	1.15	1.06	180	.487	.06
HON01c	175	3.24	3.10	.082	.013	1.09	1.03	6,423	.087	.13
HON01d	175	2.63	2.75	.086	.013	1.14	1.03	183	.174	-.11
HON01e	174	3.46	3.44	.076	.012	1.00	0.95	6,416	.751	.02
HON02	174	2.40	2.42	.066	.011	0.87	0.83	6,359	.695	-.03
HON03a	173	4.43	4.21	.136	.020	1.79	1.60	180	.119	.13
HON03b	173	4.55	4.30	.135	.021	1.77	1.63	6,372	.045	.15
HON03c	172	4.89	4.78	.128	.019	1.68	1.53	6,367	.343	.07
HON03d	173	4.58	4.59	.137	.020	1.80	1.61	180	.938	-.01
HON03e	173	4.73	4.63	.136	.021	1.79	1.62	6,374	.430	.06
HON04a	173	4.38	4.50	.129	.020	1.69	1.55	6,365	.311	-.08
HON04b	173	4.56	4.50	.134	.020	1.77	1.56	180	.675	.04
HON05a	173	3.95	4.27	.146	.023	1.93	1.78	6,358	.020	-.18
HON05b	173	3.80	3.69	.151	.023	1.99	1.82	180	.458	.06
HON05c	172	4.40	4.37	.125	.019	1.65	1.48	6,318	.807	.02
HON05d	172	4.28	4.55	.147	.022	1.93	1.69	179	.065	-.16
HON06	171	2.95	2.99	.063	.009	0.83	0.71	177	.450	-.07
HON07a ^k	171	.039	.026	.0149	.0020	--	--	--	.274	.08
HON07b ^k	171	.031	.017	.0133	.0016	--	--	--	.153	.10
HON08a	171	3.24	3.49	.080	.013	1.04	1.03	6,302	.002	-.24
HON08b	169	3.11	3.26	.097	.015	1.26	1.19	6,281	.100	-.13
HON08c	171	3.89	3.90	.085	.014	1.12	1.08	6,283	.949	.00
HON08d	171	4.16	4.26	.076	.012	0.99	0.91	6,276	.170	-.11
HON08e	171	3.85	3.87	.088	.014	1.15	1.12	6,280	.879	-.01
HON08f	169	3.30	3.44	.091	.015	1.19	1.19	6,271	.123	-.12
HON09	169	4.30	4.15	.128	.019	1.67	1.51	176	.271	.09
HON10a_21	170	1.18	1.29	.082	.015	1.07	1.03	4,917	.165	-.11
HON10b_21	170	1.24	1.41	.073	.013	0.95	0.92	4,916	.015	-.19
HON10c_21	171	2.05	1.97	.064	.011	0.83	0.78	4,906	.174	.11
HON10d_21	168	1.05	1.13	.073	.015	0.95	1.01	181	.301	-.08
HON10e_21	169	0.50	0.50	.063	.012	0.83	0.85	4,911	.956	.00
HON11a_20 ^k	169	.212	.196	.0315	.0051	--	--	--	.604	.04
HON12_21 ^k	169	.702	.727	.0353	.0064	--	--	--	.484	-.05

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Variable name	N	Mean		Standard error ^f		Standard deviation ^g		DF ^h	Sig. ⁱ	Effect size ^d
		Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	Fairmont State	Honors Consortium	Fairmont State	Honors Consortium			
		Comparisons with: Fairmont State vs Honors Consortium								
HON01a	104	3.29	3.66	.110	.013	1.12	1.11	7,789	.001	-.34
HON01b	104	3.49	3.37	.098	.013	1.00	1.10	7,756	.285	.11
HON01c	104	3.44	3.36	.103	.012	1.05	1.04	7,770	.467	.07
HON01d	105	2.64	2.52	.109	.011	1.11	1.00	7,765	.210	.12
HON01e	105	3.54	3.57	.100	.011	1.02	0.99	7,770	.753	-.03
HON02	101	2.63	2.50	.097	.010	0.98	0.85	102	.177	.16
HON03a	103	4.85	4.52	.170	.020	1.72	1.74	7,747	.057	.19
HON03b	103	4.96	4.61	.166	.020	1.68	1.71	7,734	.044	.20
HON03c	102	5.04	4.98	.163	.019	1.64	1.63	7,739	.710	.04
HON03d	103	4.95	4.70	.175	.020	1.77	1.73	7,727	.146	.14
HON03e	103	5.15	5.04	.147	.019	1.49	1.64	7,745	.503	.07
HON04a	103	5.02	4.85	.153	.019	1.55	1.62	7,717	.284	.11
HON04b	103	4.96	4.86	.160	.019	1.62	1.62	7,725	.563	.06
HON05a	103	4.51	4.27	.197	.022	2.00	1.90	7,711	.187	.13
HON05b	101	4.41	3.32	.185	.022	1.86	1.94	7,701	.000	.56
HON05c	103	4.73	4.40	.160	.018	1.62	1.55	7,671	.032	.21
HON05d	103	4.64	4.69	.169	.021	1.72	1.85	7,694	.778	-.03
HON06	103	3.13	3.09	.069	.008	0.70	0.74	7,671	.510	.07
HON07a ^k	103	.208	.137	.0401	.0040	--	--	--	.036	.19
HON07b ^k	103	.100	.085	.0296	.0032	--	--	--	.603	.05
HON08a	103	3.40	3.30	.109	.012	1.11	1.07	7,650	.353	.09
HON08b	103	3.14	3.18	.126	.014	1.28	1.25	7,631	.751	-.03
HON08c	103	3.91	3.86	.106	.013	1.08	1.11	7,634	.674	.04
HON08d	103	4.05	4.19	.094	.011	0.95	0.97	7,641	.135	-.15
HON08e	103	3.80	3.83	.115	.014	1.16	1.18	7,635	.829	-.02
HON08f	103	3.39	3.38	.139	.014	1.41	1.25	104	.941	.01
HON09	100	4.10	4.02	.147	.018	1.47	1.53	7,623	.583	.06
HON10a_21	102	1.03	1.28	.099	.013	1.00	1.02	6,482	.015	-.24
HON10b_21	102	1.02	1.32	.087	.012	0.87	0.93	105	.001	-.32
HON10c_21	102	1.96	1.92	.090	.010	0.91	0.81	6,479	.630	.05
HON10d_21	102	0.88	1.09	.093	.013	0.94	1.01	6,472	.042	-.20
HON10e_21	102	0.42	0.48	.073	.010	0.74	0.84	6,476	.468	-.07
HON11a_20 ^k	103	.244	.237	.0425	.0049	--	--	--	.866	.02
HON12_21 ^k	103	.732	.770	.0438	.0052	--	--	--	.369	-.09

Endnotes

- a. Column percentages are weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups). Percentages may not sum to 100 due to rounding. Counts are unweighted; column percentages cannot be replicated from counts. Comparison group details are in the *Selected Comparison Groups* report, linked in the Data & Reports table on the Institution Interface.
- b. All statistics are weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups). Unless otherwise noted, statistical comparisons are two-tailed independent t -tests. Items with categorical response sets are left blank.
- c. These are the values used to calculate means. For the majority of items, these values match the codes in the data file and codebook.
- d. Effect size for independent t -tests uses Cohen's d ; z -tests use Cohen's h .
- e. Statistics are weighted by institution-reported sex and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups). Categorical items are not listed.
- f. The 95% confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus or minus 1.96 times the standard error of the mean.
- g. A measure of the amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.
- h. Degrees of freedom used to compute the t -tests. Values differ from N s due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.
- i. Statistical comparisons are two-tailed independent t -tests or z -tests. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between your students' mean and that of the students in the comparison group is due to chance.
- j. Statistical comparison uses z -test to compare the proportion who responded (depending on the item) "Done or in progress" or "Yes" with all who responded otherwise.
- k. Mean represents the proportion who responded (depending on the item) "Done or in progress" or "Yes."

Key to symbols:

- ▲ **Your students' average** was significantly higher ($p < .05$) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.
- △ **Your students' average** was significantly higher ($p < .05$) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- ▽ **Your students' average** was significantly lower ($p < .05$) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.
- ▼ **Your 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 item wording and your institutional context.

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