BCSSE beginning college survey of student engagement

BCSSE 2023 Experimental Items

The items below were added to the BCSSE 2023 administration. The first set of items asks students about their expected sense of belonging. These items parallel the sense of belonging items on NSSE. The other set of items asks students about their concern regarding current topics. There is also an open-ended response to this item set. Click HERE to download a copy of the the BCSSE survey and the experimental items.

Expected Sense of Belonging

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I expect to feel: ↑	Count	Mean	Strongly agree (4)	Agree (3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly disagree (1)
a. comfortable being myself at this institution	335	3.4	43%	53%	4%	1%
b. valued by this institution	332	3.2	34%	57%	8%	2%
c. like part of the community at this institution	333	3.2	35%	56%	9%	1%

Student Concerns

In general, how concerned are you about the following? 335

↑	Count	Mean	Very much (4)	Quite a bit (3)	Some (2)	Very little (1)	Not at all (0)
a. Climate change and environmental issues	335	2.8	34%	30%	22%	7%	7%
b. Affordable health care	333	3.2	50%	25%	19%	3%	3%
c. Access to reproductive health care	335	3.0	48%	20%	20%	6%	6%
d. Economic inequality	334	3.0	45%	25%	22%	4%	4%
e. Racial equity	335	3.2	54%	23%	15%	4%	5%
f. LGBTQ+ equity	334	2.7	38%	22%	24%	5%	11%
g. Gender equity	334	3.0	45%	24%	19%	4%	7%
h. Gun-related crime	334	3.0	47%	23%	17%	7%	6%
i. Political turmoil	334	2.3	23%	22%	32%	10%	12%
j. Free speech rights	335	3.0	41%	27%	23%	4%	5%
k. Religious freedom	335	2.9	41%	25%	21%	7%	7%
l. Immigration reform	333	2.8	42%	20%	25%	5%	9%