

NSSE 2024

High Impact Practices Participation

Freshmen



LEARNING COMMUNITY



Participate in a learning community or some other formal program where groups of students take two or more classes together.

- % Done or in progress: 5%
- % Plan to do: 27%
- % Have not decided: 41%
- % Do not plan to do: 27%

RESEARCH WITH FACULTY



Work with a faculty member on a research project.

- % Done or in progress: 13%
- % Plan to do: 25%
- % Have not decided: 38%
- % Do not plan to do: 25%

SERVICE LEARNING



courses at this institution have included a community-based project (service-learning)

- % Most or all: 17%
- % Some: 60
- % None: 23%

PLAN TO PARTICIPATE



Knowing whether first-year students plan to participate in upper-division HIPs can reveal insights about HIP demand, awareness of opportunities, and the clarity of institutional information.

- Internship or field experience: 60%
- Study Abroad: 42%
- Culminating Senior Experience: 30%

High-Impact Practices

High-Impact Practices (HIPs) are educational opportunities that demand significant time and effort, foster learning beyond the classroom, and promote meaningful connections between faculty and students. These practices encourage diversity through collaborative teamwork and provide consistent, constructive feedback.

HIPs are grouped into six categories that capture the motivations of first-year students and the expectations of freshmen or transfer students for their undergraduate experience.

High-Impact Practice	Definition	Freshman Participation Done or in Progress
Service Learning	Taken courses that provide a community-based project	17%
Learning Community	Participate in a learning community or some other formal program where groups of students take two or more classes together	5%
Research with Faculty	Work with a faculty member on a research project	13%
Plans to Participate		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Internership/Field Studies 	Participate in an internship, co-op, field experience, student teaching, or clinical placement	60%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study Abroad 	Participate in a study abroad program	42%
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culminating Senior Exprience 	Complete a culminating senior experience (capstone course, senior project or thesis, portfolio, recital, comprehensive exam, etc.)	30%