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Student responses to selected questions from the NSSE pocket guide are presented in a report entitled *A Pocket Guide to Choosing a College: NSSE 2021 Answers from Students*,



## Learning with Peers

**How often do students work together on course projects and assignments?<sup>b</sup>**

33% of FY students and 68% of seniors frequently worked with their peers on course projects and assignments.

**Do students help each other learn?<sup>b</sup>**

60% of seniors frequently explained course material to one or more students.

**How often do students work together to prepare for exams?<sup>b</sup>**

37% of FY students frequently prepared for exams by discussing or working through course material with other students.

**How often do students interact with others who have different viewpoints or who come from different backgrounds?<sup>b</sup>**

Among FY students, 63% frequently had discussions with people with different political views, 60% frequently had discussions with people from a different economic background, and 57% frequently had discussions with people from a different race or ethnicity.

## Campus Environment

71% of FY students said the institution substantially emphasized the use of learning support services.

**How well do students get along with each other?<sup>c</sup>**

## Rich Educational Experiences

**What types of honors courses, learning communities, and other distinctive programs are offered?**

During their first year, 5% of students participated in a learning community. By spring of their senior year, 49% of students had done (or were doing) a culminating senior experience.

**How many students study in other countries?**

By their senior year, 6% of students had studied abroad.

**How many students get practical, real world experience through internships or field experiences?**

By spring of their senior year, 48% of students had participated in some form of internship, co-op, field experience, student teaching, or clinical placement.

**How many courses include community based service learning projects?<sup>e</sup>**

### Notes

- Highly is a 6 or 7 on a seven-point scale where 1 is "Not at all" and 7 is "Very much."
- Frequently is "Often" or "Very often."
- A "High" rating is a 6 or 7 on a seven-point scale where 1 is "Poor" and 7 is "Excellent."
- Substantially is "Quite a bit" or "Very much."
- At least some is defined by combining responses of "Some," "Most," and "All."