

Wake Forest University
Your First College Year Results
2015

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Construct Comparison

Construct Descriptions & Survey Items

Habits of Mind is a unified measure of the behaviors and traits associated with academic success. These learning behaviors are seen as the foundation for lifelong learning.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

How often in the past year did you:

- * Support your opinions with a logical argument (2.28)
- * Seek feedback on your academic work (1.43)
- * Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others (2.20)
- * Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class (1.42)
- * Seek alternative solutions to a problem (1.81)
- * Accept mistakes as part of the learning process (1.17)
- * Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received (1.61)
- * Revise your papers to improve your writing (1.12)
- * Ask questions in class (1.51)
- * Look up scientific research articles and resources (0.89)
- * Take a risk because you felt you had more to gain (1.48)

Academic Adjustment measures the ease with which students adjust to the academic demands of college.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Since entering this college, how has it been to:

- * Adjust to academic demands of college (3.27)
- * Develop effective study skills (3.06)
- * Manage your time effectively (2.67)
- * Understand what your professors expect of you academically (1.29)

Academic Disengagement measures the extent to which students engage in behaviors that are inconsistent with academic success.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Since entering this college, how often have you:

- * Come late to class (1.82)

Since entering this college, indicate how often you:

- * Skipped class (1.60)
- * Turned in course assignment(s) late (1.26)
- * Turned in course assignments that did not reflect your best work (1.11)
- * Fell asleep in class (1.00)

Faculty Interaction: Contact and Communication measures the amount and type of contact students have with faculty that is appropriate for the first year of college, as well as satisfaction with these issues.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Communicated regularly with your professors (2.49)
- * Asked a professor for advice after class (1.64)
- * Received advice/guidance about your educational program from your professor (1.53)
- * Amount of contact with faculty (1.26)
- * Faculty during office hours (yes/no) (1.25)
- * Faculty outside of class or office hours (1.20)

Satisfaction with Coursework measures the extent to which students see their coursework as relevant, useful, and applicable to their academic success and future plans.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:

- * Relevance of coursework to future career plans (3.52)
- * Relevance of coursework to everyday life (3.13)
- * General education or core curriculum courses (1.31)
- * First-year programs (0.91)

Overall Satisfaction is a unified measure of students' satisfaction with the college experience.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Satisfaction with overall college experience (3.69)
- * If you could make your college choice over, would you still choose to enroll at your current (or most recent) college? (1.93)
- * Satisfaction with your overall academic experience (1.88)
- * Satisfaction with overall quality of instruction (1.69)

Sense of Belonging measures the extent to which students feel a sense of academic and social integration on campus.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:

- * I feel I am a member of this college (5.10)
- * I feel a sense of belonging to this campus (4.62)
- * I see myself as part of the campus community (2.95)
- * If asked, I would recommend this college to others (2.50)

Academic Self-Concept is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in academic environments.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:

- * Academic ability (4.02)
- * Mathematical ability (2.69)
- * Self-confidence (intellectual) (1.90)
- * Drive to achieve (1.72)

Social Self-Concept is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in social situations.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:

- * Self-confidence (social) (2.06)
- * Leadership ability (1.96)
- * Popularity (1.81)
- * Public speaking ability (1.76)

Pluralistic Orientation measures skills and dispositions appropriate for living and working in a diverse society.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Tolerance of others with different beliefs (3.01)
- * Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people (2.74)
- * Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues (2.57)
- * Openness to having my views challenged (2.44)
- * Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective (2.43)

Positive Cross-Racial Interaction is a unified measure of students' level of positive interaction with diverse peers.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

To what extent have you experienced the following with students from a racial/ethnic group other than your own?

- * Had intellectual discussions outside of class (3.57)
- * Shared personal feelings and problems (3.52)
- * Dined or shared a meal (2.72)
- * Had meaningful and honest discussions about race/ethnic relations outside of class (2.46)
- * Studied or prepared for class (2.22)
- * Socialized or partied (2.12)

Negative Cross-Racial Interaction is a unified measure of students' level of negative interaction with diverse peers.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

To what extent have you experienced the following with students from a racial/ethnic group other than your own?"

- * Had tense, somewhat hostile interactions (3.81)
- * Felt insulted or threatened because of your race/ethnicity (2.63)
- * Had guarded, cautious interactions (2.10)

Social Agency measures the extent to which students value political and social involvement as a personal goal.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

- * Participating in a community action program (2.86)
- * Helping to promote racial understanding (2.77)
- * Becoming a community leader (2.65)
- * Keeping up to date with political affairs (2.15)
- * Influencing social values (1.78)
- * Helping others who are in difficulty (1.71)

Civic Awareness measures changes in students' understanding of the issues facing their community, nation, and the world.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

Think about your current abilities and tell us how strong or weak you believe you are in each of the following areas:

- * Understanding of national issues (6.51)
- * Understanding of global issues (4.90)
- * Understanding of the problems facing your community (1.73)

Leadership is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their leadership development and capability and their experiences as a leader.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Self-rating in leadership ability (3.84)
- * I have effectively led a group to a common purpose (1.07)
- * Been a leader in an organization (1.04)
- * Participated in leadership training (0.87)

Civic Engagement measures the extent to which students are motivated and involved in civic, electoral, and political activities.

Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Publicly communicated your opinion about a cause (e.g., blog, email, petition) (1.56)
- * I am interested in seeking information about current social and political issues (1.56)
- * Worked on a local, state, or national political campaign (1.54)
- * Demonstrated for a cause (e.g., boycott, rally, protest) (1.53)
- * Keeping up to date with political affairs (1.45)
- * Influencing social values (1.10)
- * Helped raise money for a cause or campaign (1.09)
- * Performed volunteer work (0.79)

Construct Scores Comparison

WFU YFCY 2015 (avg. n ~ 199) vs.

- WFU YFCY 2014 (avg. n ~ 104)
- Private Universities YFCY 2015 (avg. n ~ 1,988)

(First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen)

Construct	WFU YFCY '15	WFU YFCY '14	Priv. U. YFCY '15
Social Agency	55.8	54.1	53.8
Pluralistic Orientation	54.6	54.1	53.8
Positive Cross-Racial Interaction	54.3	53.8	54.0
Negative Cross-Racial Interaction	54.2	51.8	53.5
Habits of Mind	53.1	53.6	51.2
Faculty Interaction: Contact and Communication	52.7	53.3	50.1
Leadership	52.6	52.0	50.6
Civic Awareness	52.4	50.9	49.8
Civic Engagement	51.9	51.7	50.0
Academic Disengagement	51.0	47.8	52.6
Social Self-Concept	50.7	50.5	51.7
Academic Self-Concept	50.5	50.4	47.1
Sense of Belonging	50.3	49.4	48.7
Academic Adjustment	49.7	50.8	49.7
Overall Satisfaction	48.8	50.8	47.2
Satisfaction with Coursework	48.7	48.9	46.5

Note: Construct scores are scaled to have a global mean of 50 and global standard deviation of 10.

Less than WFU YFCY 2015
Small Effect
Medium Effect

Greater than WFU YFCY 2015
Small Effect

Construct Scores Comparison

WFU YFCY 2015 (avg. n ~ 128) vs.

- WFU TFS (avg. n ~ 128)
- Private Universities YFCY 2014 (avg. n ~ 1,290)
- Private Universities TFS (avg. n ~ 1,290)

(students responding to both surveys)

Construct	WFU YFCY	WFU TFS	Priv. U. YFCY	Priv. U. TFS
Pluralistic Orientation	53.2	52.9	53.6	53.4
Social Agency	54.6	51.6	53.4	51.0
Habits of Mind	53.7	54.8	50.8	51.9
Social Self-Concept	49.2	52.4	51.5	50.1
Academic Self-Concept	50.3	51.3	46.8	48.0

Note: Construct scores are scaled to have a global mean of 50 and global standard deviation of 10.

Less than WFU YFCY
Small Effect
Medium Effect

Greater than WFU YFCY
Small Effect

Construct Scores Comparison

WFU YFCY 2015 (avg. n ~ 199) vs.

- White Only (avg. n ~ 131)
- All Other (avg. n ~ 70)

(First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen)

Construct	White Only	All Other
Social Agency	54.2	58.5
Pluralistic Orientation	53.7	56.4
Positive Cross-Racial Interaction	53.6	55.5
Negative Cross-Racial Interaction	51.2	59.7
Habits of Mind	52.8	53.6
Faculty Interaction: Contact and Communication	52.3	53.3
Leadership	52.4	52.8
Civic Awareness	51.9	53.1
Civic Engagement	51.2	53.0
Academic Disengagement	50.7	51.8
Social Self-Concept	49.3	53.2
Academic Self-Concept	51.1	49.3
Sense of Belonging	50.8	49.1
Academic Adjustment	49.6	49.7
Overall Satisfaction	49.0	48.1
Satisfaction with Coursework	48.4	49.1

Note: Construct scores are scaled to have a global mean of 50 and global standard deviation of 10.

Small Effect Greater than the other
Medium Effect Greater than the other
Large Effect Greater than the other

Construct Scores Comparison

WFU YFCY 2015 (avg. n ~ 199) vs.

- No Financial Concern (avg. n ~ 77)
- Some or Major Financial Concern (avg. n ~ 121)

(First-Time, Full-Time Freshmen)

Construct	No Financial Concern	Some or Major Financial Concern
Social Agency	54.9	56.2
Pluralistic Orientation	53.1	55.6
Positive Cross-Racial Interaction	53.7	54.6
Negative Cross-Racial Interaction	55.5	53.2
Habits of Mind	52.1	53.4
Faculty Interaction: Contact and Communication	52.0	53.3
Leadership	51.9	52.8
Civic Awareness	52.5	52.1
Civic Engagement	51.7	51.8
Academic Disengagement	51.0	51.1
Social Self-Concept	52.7	49.3
Academic Self-Concept	50.9	50.3
Sense of Belonging	50.7	49.9
Academic Adjustment	50.3	49.2
Overall Satisfaction	48.8	48.6
Satisfaction with Coursework	48.3	48.9

Note: Construct scores are scaled to have a global mean of 50 and global standard deviation of 10.

Small Effect Greater than the other

Significant Differences Across Specific Responses

WFU '15 vs WFU '14

2015 WFU Your First College Year Survey (YFCY) Responses Differing Significantly* from WFU 2014

Question	2014	N	2015	N
How often in the past year did you:				
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received		118		232
Not at all	0.8%		5.2%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Since entering this college, how often have you interacted with the following people (e.g., by phone, e-mail, text, or in person):				
Close friends not at this institution		119		227
Once a week	25.2%		14.1%	
Library facilities		108		203
Satisfied	49.1%		35.5%	
Laboratory facilities and equipment		92		182
Very satisfied	20.7%		38.5%	
Dissatisfied	10.9%		3.3%	
Student housing (e.g., res. halls)		108		206
Neutral	18.5%		30.1%	
Very dissatisfied	15.7%		3.9%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
Student psychological services		57		120
Satisfied	36.8%		22.5%	
Dissatisfied	0.0%		6.7%	
Orientation for new students		107		204
Satisfied	44.9%		33.3%	
Neutral	19.6%		33.3%	
Physical health		105		203
Above average	39.0%		27.6%	
Self-confidence (intellectual)		104		202
Below average	10.6%		3.5%	
Self-understanding		105		203
Below average	7.6%		1.5%	
Writing ability		104		203
Lowest 10%	1.9%		0.0%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Since entering this college, how has it been to:				
Understand what your professors expect of you academically		105		202
Very easy	29.5%		17.3%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Since entering this college, how often have you:				
Attended a religious service		104		199
Not at all	34.6%		49.2%	
Drank beer		103		199
Frequently	30.1%		18.6%	
Performed volunteer work		104		199
Frequently	32.7%		18.6%	
Not at all	11.5%		20.6%	
Posted on a course-related on-line discussion board		102		196
Frequently	17.6%		5.1%	
Discussed religion		102		197
Not at all	4.9%		16.2%	
Maintained a healthy diet		101		197
Frequently	46.5%		33.0%	
Occasionally	46.5%		61.4%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
I have felt discriminated against at this institution because of my race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or religious affiliation		100		190
Disagree	40.0%		27.4%	
There is a lot of racial tension on this campus		100		190
Strongly Agree	12.0%		24.7%	
Strongly disagree	14.0%		5.3%	
Faculty encouraged me to meet with them outside of class		98		185
Strongly agree	17.3%		31.4%	
Agree	75.5%		58.9%	
I am interested in seeking information about current social and political issues		98		185
Strongly agree	16.3%		27.0%	
Agree	63.3%		49.2%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
Relevance of coursework to everyday life		98		179
Dissatisfied	12.2%		5.0%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:				
Influencing social values		96		174
Somewhat important	41.7%		28.7%	
Becoming a community leader		95		175
Essential	12.6%		24.0%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
To what extent have you experienced the following with students from a racial/ethnic group other than your own?				
Had intellectual discussions outside of class		95		174
Very often	16.8%		28.2%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Since entering this college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?				
Attending classes/labs		94		173
None	3.2%		0.0%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Since entering this college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?				
Working (for pay) off campus		94		173
Less than one hour	5.3%		0.6%	
Student clubs and groups		93		171
3 to 5 hours	44.1%		28.7%	
Household/childcare duties		93		172
Less than one hour	19.4%		5.2%	
None	66.7%		85.5%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Since entering this college have you:				
Participated in an academic support program		94		173
Yes	9.6%		22.0%	
No	90.4%		78.0%	
Taken a course exclusively online at this institution		93		172
Yes	2.2%		12.2%	
No	97.8%		87.8%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Since entering this college, indicate how often you:				
Discussed course content with students outside of class		93		172
Frequently	63.4%		48.3%	
Worked on a professor's research project		92		172
Occasionally	5.4%		14.5%	
Worked with classmates on group projects outside of class		94		170
Frequently	29.8%		16.5%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
How would you rate yourself in the following areas:				
Tolerance of others with different beliefs		104		200
Somewhat weak	4.8%		1.0%	

Question	2014	N	2015	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
I have a clear idea of how to achieve my career goals		98		185
Disagree	16.3%		27.0%	

*Statistically significant at $\alpha=0.05$ level

Note: No Bonferroni correction was applied, thus significance is for each question, not the overall results.

Significant Differences Across Specific Responses

WFU '15 vs Private Univ. '15

2015 WFU Your First College Year Survey (YFCY) Responses Differing Significantly* from Priv. Universities

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
How often in the past year did you:				
Ask questions in class				
Not at all	1.3%	231	6.4%	2,080
Support your opinions with a logical argument				
Frequently	74.0%	231	60.9%	2,080
Occasionally	26.0%		37.1%	
Not at all	0.0%		2.1%	
Revise your papers to improve your writing				
Frequently	70.1%	231	59.5%	2,070
Occasionally	27.3%		36.0%	
Seek feedback on your academic work				
Frequently	62.5%	232	51.4%	2,076
Occasionally	35.3%		44.7%	
Integrate skills and knowledge from different sources and experiences				
Frequently	72.7%	231	65.1%	2,067
Occasionally	25.5%		33.8%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you interacted with the following people (e.g., by phone, e-mail, text, or in person):				
Faculty during office hours				
2 or 3 times per week	12.3%	227	7.7%	2,067
1 or 2 times per month	36.1%		28.8%	
1 or 2 times per term	24.7%		36.2%	
Never	5.3%		9.8%	
Faculty outside of class or office hours				
2 or 3 times per week	11.5%	227	6.2%	2,060
Never	20.3%		27.5%	
Academic advisors/counselors				
Never	4.4%	226	8.6%	2,057
Close friends at this institution				
1 or 2 times per term	0.0%	226	1.8%	2,057
Close friends not at this institution				
2 or 3 times per week	27.3%	227	20.4%	2,060
1 or 2 times per term	7.9%		11.7%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you interacted with the following people (e.g., by phone, e-mail, text, or in person):				
Your family		225		2,042
2 or 3 times per week	32.9%		26.2%	
1 or 2 times per month	8.0%		12.5%	
Never	0.4%		1.5%	
Graduate students/teaching assistants		227		2,060
Once a week	28.2%		15.2%	
Never	23.8%		39.3%	
Close friends from your high school		226		2,063
1 or 2 times per month	14.2%		19.4%	
1 or 2 times per term	9.7%		14.8%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Do you have any concern about your ability to finance your college education?		221		2,046
Major (not sure I will have enough funds to complete college)	15.8%		21.1%	
None (I am confident that I will have sufficient funds)	40.3%		29.6%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
How much of the past year's educational expenses (room, board, tuition, and fees) were covered from each of the following sources?				
Family resources (parents, relatives, spouse, etc.)		217		2,008
\$10,000 to \$14,999	5.1%		9.7%	
\$3,000 to \$5,999	3.7%		7.3%	
None	14.7%		8.9%	
My own resources (income from work, work-study, etc.)		213		1,978
\$15,000 or more	0.0%		2.3%	
Aid which need not be repaid (grants, scholarships, military, etc.)		215		1,998
\$10,000 to \$14,999	1.9%		16.0%	
\$6,000 to \$9,999	2.3%		11.0%	
\$3,000 to \$5,999	3.7%		9.2%	
None	45.1%		17.1%	
Aid which must be repaid (loans, etc.)		215		1,986
\$15,000 or more	6.5%		18.2%	
\$10,000 to \$14,999	4.7%		8.1%	
\$1 to \$2,999	3.7%		6.6%	
None	67.4%		44.7%	
How much of the past year's educational expenses (room, board, tuition, and fees) were covered from each of the following sources? Other sources		201		1,835
\$10,000 to \$14,999	0.0%		1.1%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you felt:				
Worried about your health				
Occasionally	51.4%	216	39.1%	2,026
Not at all	36.6%		51.2%	
That your courses inspired you to think in new ways				
Frequently	53.0%	217	39.3%	2,040
Occasionally	39.6%		49.0%	
Not at all	7.4%		11.7%	
That your job responsibilities interfered with your schoolwork				
Not at all	73.6%	216	66.8%	2,032
That your family responsibilities interfered with your schoolwork				
Frequently	3.7%	217	7.8%	2,041
Not at all	72.4%		63.6%	
Family support to succeed				
Frequently	66.7%	216	59.1%	2,030
That faculty provided me with feedback that helped me assess my progress in class				
Frequently	51.6%	217	41.3%	2,041
Occasionally	43.3%		50.5%	
That my contributions were valued in class				
Frequently	58.5%	217	41.9%	2,042
Occasionally	37.3%		50.3%	
Not at all	4.1%		7.8%	
That faculty encouraged me to ask questions and participate in discussions				
Frequently	70.5%	217	55.4%	2,042
Occasionally	25.3%		38.7%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
General education and core curriculum courses				
Very satisfied	35.6%	208	20.7%	1,997
Neutral	8.7%		19.9%	
Dissatisfied	2.9%		5.4%	
Very dissatisfied	0.0%		2.9%	
Your overall academic experience				
Very satisfied	37.5%	208	24.5%	2,011
Neutral	9.1%		19.4%	
Very dissatisfied	0.0%		0.9%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
Classroom facilities		206		2,010
Very satisfied	34.0%		20.0%	
Neutral	16.5%		24.2%	
Dissatisfied	1.0%		3.4%	
Very dissatisfied	0.0%		1.0%	
Computer facilities/labs		191		1,904
Very satisfied	35.6%		21.4%	
Neutral	16.8%		26.8%	
Library resources		203		1,969
Very satisfied	48.3%		27.8%	
Satisfied	35.5%		48.1%	
Neutral	15.3%		21.1%	
Dissatisfied	0.5%		2.3%	
Laboratory facilities and equipment		182		1,688
Very satisfied	38.5%		22.0%	
Neutral	16.5%		27.1%	
Technology resources		203		1,887
Very satisfied	36.0%		21.1%	
Neutral	17.2%		26.3%	
Dissatisfied	1.0%		4.5%	
Financial aid office		149		1,734
Very satisfied	26.8%		14.2%	
Neutral	26.2%		38.6%	
Financial aid package		155		1,792
Very satisfied	31.6%		17.9%	
Satisfied	21.9%		33.1%	
Neutral	22.6%		30.2%	
Student health services		193		1,731
Neutral	22.3%		32.8%	
Dissatisfied	19.2%		10.5%	
Student psychological services		120		1,295
Satisfied	22.5%		32.0%	
Orientation for new students		204		1,975
Very satisfied	14.2%		20.7%	
Dissatisfied	14.7%		8.9%	
First-year programs (e.g., first-year seminar, learning community, linked courses)		207		1,760
Very satisfied	29.5%		21.1%	
Neutral	26.1%		32.6%	
Very dissatisfied	1.0%		2.6%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you utilized the following services:				
Student health services		170		1,881
Occasionally	67.6%		48.0%	
Not at all	21.8%		44.8%	
Writing center		170		1,883
Frequently	11.8%		5.3%	
Academic advising		170		1,879
Occasionally	73.5%		63.7%	
Not at all	14.1%		23.3%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:				
Academic ability		203		1,999
Highest 10%	31.5%		17.5%	
Average	18.7%		30.2%	
Lowest 10%	0.0%		0.3%	
Cooperativeness		203		1,996
Lowest 10%	0.0%		0.4%	
Creativity		203		1,996
Lowest 10%	0.0%		0.9%	
Drive to achieve		203		2,000
Highest 10%	41.9%		31.5%	
Average	11.8%		24.9%	
Below average	1.0%		3.0%	
Lowest 10%	0.0%		0.5%	
Leadership ability		203		2,001
Highest 10%	30.5%		22.0%	
Average	22.7%		32.0%	
Lowest 10%	0.0%		0.8%	
Physical health		203		1,999
Below average	14.3%		8.8%	
Popularity		203		1,999
Above average	32.0%		24.6%	
Self-confidence (intellectual)		202		1,998
Above average	49.0%		38.0%	
Average	28.7%		35.5%	
Below average	3.5%		8.0%	
Self-understanding		203		1,995
Below average	1.5%		5.0%	
Writing ability		203		2,002
Average	30.0%		37.3%	
Lowest 10%	0.0%		1.3%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how has it been to:				
Understand what your professors expect of you academically		202		1,992
Very easy	17.3%		24.5%	
Somewhat easy	63.4%		56.2%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
How would you rate yourself in the following areas:				
Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective		200		1,987
A major weakness	0.0%		0.3%	
Tolerance of others with different beliefs		200		1,986
Somewhat weak	1.0%		2.6%	
Openness to having my own views challenged		200		1,984
A major weakness	0.0%		0.7%	
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues		200		1,987
A major weakness	0.0%		0.5%	
Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people		200		1,986
Average	7.5%		15.1%	
A major weakness	0.0%		0.3%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you:				
Attended a religious service		199		1,983
Frequently	21.6%		31.1%	
Not at all	49.2%		36.8%	
Been bored in class		199		1,983
Frequently	18.1%		36.2%	
Occasionally	75.9%		58.9%	
Studied with other students		199		1,981
Frequently	48.7%		40.6%	
Drank beer		199		1,980
Frequently	18.6%		11.8%	
Not at all	43.7%		56.9%	
Drank wine or liquor		198		1,980
Frequently	23.7%		14.6%	
Not at all	38.9%		50.4%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Felt overwhelmed by all you had to do		199		1,983
Not at all	4.0%		7.5%	
Performed volunteer work		199		1,982
Not at all	20.6%		28.6%	
Asked a professor for advice after class		199		1,983
Frequently	31.2%		20.9%	
Not at all	10.6%		16.2%	
Come late to class		196		1,973
Frequently	4.6%		8.2%	
Not at all	51.5%		41.2%	
Posted on a course-related on-line discussion board		196		1,972
Frequently	5.1%		11.5%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you:				
Performed community service as part of a class		197		1,973
Frequently	2.5%		7.0%	
Occasionally	24.4%		35.0%	
Not at all	73.1%		58.0%	
Discussed politics		197		1,970
Not at all	14.7%		22.4%	
Maintained a healthy diet		197		1,970
Not at all	5.6%		10.9%	
Helped raise money for a cause or campaign		197		1,969
Occasionally	43.1%		33.8%	
Not at all	45.2%		57.1%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
I have felt discriminated against at this institution because of my race/ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation, or religious affiliation		190		1,960
Strongly agree	5.8%		2.3%	
Agree	22.1%		13.3%	
Disagree	27.4%		34.5%	
I see myself as part of the campus community		190		1,955
Strongly agree	30.5%		22.5%	
Faculty showed concern about my progress		190		1,955
Strongly agree	28.4%		17.1%	
Disagree	14.2%		21.2%	
There is a lot of racial tension on this campus		190		1,948
Strongly agree	24.7%		4.4%	
Agree	39.5%		19.0%	
Disagree	30.5%		46.0%	
Strongly disagree	5.3%		30.5%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
I have been able to find a balance between academics and extracurricular activities				
Strongly agree	21.1%	190	14.7%	1,953
The admission/recruitment materials portrayed this campus accurately				
Agree	53.2%	190	65.5%	1,955
Faculty empower me to learn here				
Strongly agree	37.6%	189	20.9%	1,958
Agree	55.0%		65.0%	
Disagree	6.9%		12.3%	
Strongly disagree	0.5%		1.7%	
If asked, I would recommend this college to others				
Strongly agree	48.4%	190	35.8%	1,946
Agree	38.9%		50.8%	
At least one staff member has taken an interest in my development				
Strongly agree	46.0%	189	32.2%	1,958
Agree	43.4%		53.4%	
I feel valued at this institution				
Strongly agree	35.3%	190	23.2%	1,953
Disagree	8.9%		15.6%	
Faculty believe in my potential to succeed academically				
Strongly agree	37.4%	190	25.7%	1,952
Agree	54.2%		63.7%	
My college experiences have exposed me to diverse opinions, cultures, and values				
Strongly agree	37.9%	190	30.3%	1,959
Agree	49.5%		57.5%	
Staff encouraged me to get involved in campus activities				
Strongly agree	24.3%	185	14.7%	1,931
Disagree	17.3%		23.5%	
Staff recognize my achievements				
Strongly agree	21.1%	185	12.3%	1,908

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
Faculty encouraged me to meet with them outside of class				
Strongly agree	31.4%	185	19.3%	1,928
Disagree	9.2%		14.9%	
Strongly disagree	0.5%		2.1%	
I am interested in seeking information about current social and political issues				
Strongly agree	27.0%	185	17.6%	1,936
Disagree	19.5%		27.8%	
At least one faculty member has taken an interest in my development				
Strongly agree	38.0%	184	24.8%	1,933
Disagree	8.7%		14.8%	
I feel I am a member of this college				
Strongly agree	37.0%	184	26.3%	1,928
Agree	53.3%		61.8%	
Disagree	6.0%		9.9%	
I have effectively led a group to a common purpose				
Strongly agree	21.1%	185	13.8%	1,921
It's important for me to be thinking about my career path after college				
Strongly agree	65.9%	185	54.3%	1,931
Agree	31.4%		42.1%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
Amount of contact with faculty				
Very satisfied	31.1%	180	18.2%	1,923
Neutral	18.3%		29.0%	
Very dissatisfied	0.0%		0.5%	
Racial/ethnic diversity of student body				
Satisfied	26.7%	180	37.1%	1,922
Dissatisfied	20.6%		10.8%	
Very dissatisfied	9.4%		4.6%	
Class size				
Very satisfied	48.0%	179	30.7%	1,926
Satisfied	38.5%		46.9%	
Neutral	10.1%		19.1%	
Interaction with other students				
Very satisfied	30.9%	178	23.0%	1,923
Overall quality of instruction				
Very satisfied	33.5%	179	19.0%	1,926
Neutral	11.7%		23.2%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
Availability of campus social activities		178		1,919
Very satisfied	30.9%		20.6%	
Neutral	14.0%		24.1%	
Overall college experience		180		1,928
Very satisfied	36.1%		25.8%	
Neutral	12.2%		20.8%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
What is your overall grade average (as of your most recently completed academic term)?				
A or A+	26.1%	184	13.7%	1,912
B	13.6%		19.1%	
C+	1.6%		4.4%	
D	0.0%		0.6%	
I did not receive grades in my courses	0.0%		0.3%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please rate your agreement with the following statements: This institution has contributed to my:				
Intellectual and practical skills (including inquiry and analysis, critical thinking, and information literacy)		177		1,916
Strongly agree	46.3%		29.9%	
Agree	51.4%		65.2%	
Disagree	1.7%		4.3%	
Knowledge of a particular field or discipline		177		1,921
Strongly agree	53.1%		32.1%	
Agree	45.2%		62.5%	
Disagree	1.7%		5.0%	
Strongly disagree	0.0%		0.4%	
Knowledge of people from different races/cultures		176		1,916
Strongly agree	26.7%		19.2%	
Understanding of the problems facing your community		177		1,918
Strongly agree	27.7%		17.3%	
Agree	53.7%		64.0%	
Understanding of national issues		176		1,918
Strongly agree	25.6%		14.3%	
Disagree	18.2%		24.9%	
Understanding of global issues		176		1,917
Strongly agree	22.2%		14.6%	
Disagree	14.8%		25.6%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Please rate your agreement with the following statements: This institution has contributed to my:				
Ability to conduct research		177		1,917
Strongly agree	28.2%		18.7%	
Agree	55.9%		63.9%	
Strongly disagree	0.0%		1.0%	
Ability to work as part of a team		177		1,919
Strongly agree	31.6%		20.6%	
Agree	59.9%		68.1%	
Strongly disagree	0.0%		0.8%	
Critical thinking skills		177		1,919
Strongly agree	44.1%		26.6%	
Agree	53.7%		66.6%	
Disagree	2.3%		6.3%	
Strongly disagree	0.0%		0.5%	
Please rate your agreement with the following statements: This institution has contributed to my:				
Problem-solving skills		176		1,919
Strongly agree	42.6%		24.6%	
Agree	54.5%		68.5%	
Disagree	2.8%		6.4%	
Strongly disagree	0.0%		0.5%	
Foreign language ability		177		1,916
Strongly agree	32.8%		15.2%	
Disagree	13.6%		29.4%	
Strongly disagree	3.4%		9.2%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Where did you primarily live while attending college this past year?				
Single-sex housing	0.0%	175	0.3%	1,789
Special academic program housing	0.0%		2.1%	
On campus regular college housing				
Residence hall	42.3%		29.6%	
Apartment	0.0%		0.3%	
Off campus				
At home with family	3.4%		8.7%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:				
Being very well off financially		175		1,905
Very important	44.6%		36.9%	
Participating in a community action program		175		1,903
Not important	8.6%		14.3%	
Helping to promote racial understanding		175		1,905
Not important	9.7%		14.6%	
Becoming a community leader		175		1,900
Essential	24.0%		16.9%	
Not important	8.6%		14.5%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?				
Attending classes/labs		173		1,894
6 to 10 hrs/wk	9.2%		16.6%	
None	0.0%		1.3%	
Studying/homework		171		1,887
Over 20 hrs/wk	19.9%		10.5%	
3 to 5 hrs/wk	7.6%		19.4%	
1 to 2 hrs/wk	1.8%		4.6%	
Socializing with friends in person		173		1,887
6 to 10 hrs/wk	38.2%		28.6%	
Exercising or sports		173		1,889
Over 20 hrs/wk	1.7%		5.0%	
Partying		171		1,880
6 to 10 hrs/wk	15.2%		8.6%	
3 to 5 hrs/wk	29.2%		19.6%	
Less than one hr/wk	8.8%		15.5%	
None	31.0%		38.9%	
Working (for pay) on campus		173		1,891
16 to 20 hrs/wk	0.0%		1.3%	
11 to 15 hrs/wk	0.6%		5.4%	
Working (for pay) off campus		173		1,887
16 to 20 hrs/wk	0.0%		1.0%	
11 to 15 hrs/wk	0.0%		2.1%	
None	88.4%		83.1%	
Student clubs and groups		171		1,874
3 to 5 hrs/wk	28.7%		17.7%	
1 to 2 hrs/wk	29.2%		20.1%	
None	15.2%		38.5%	
Household/childcare duties		172		1,884
6 to 10 hrs/wk	0.0%		2.2%	
None	85.5%		75.9%	
Commuting		172		1,890
16 to 20 hrs/wk	0.0%		0.4%	
11 to 15 hrs/wk	0.0%		1.4%	
6 to 10 hrs/wk	1.2%		3.2%	
3 to 5 hrs/wk	2.3%		5.5%	
Online social networks (Facebook, Twitter, etc.)		173		1,889
16 to 20 hrs/wk	0.6%		2.4%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, have you:				
Remained undecided about a major		174		1,909
Yes	47.7%		23.8%	
No	52.3%		76.2%	
Enrolled in a formal program where a group of students takes two or more courses together (e.g., FIG, learning community, linked courses)		174		1,905
Yes	8.0%		12.3%	
No	92.0%		87.7%	
Participated in an academic support program		173		1,883
Yes	22.0%		13.3%	
No	78.0%		86.7%	
Taken a course or first-year seminar designed to connect faculty and students in focused academic inquiry		174		1,905
Yes	63.8%		40.3%	
No	36.2%		59.7%	
Taken a course or first-year seminar designed to help students adjust to college-level academics		173		1,900
Yes	63.0%		39.2%	
No	37.0%		60.8%	
Communicated regularly with your professors		172		1,898
Yes	79.1%		66.0%	
No	20.9%		34.0%	
Joined a social fraternity or sorority		173		1,903
Yes	31.8%		14.5%	
No	68.2%		85.5%	
Played club, intramural, or recreational sports		173		1,899
Yes	52.6%		37.1%	
No	47.4%		62.9%	
Been a leader in an organization		172		1,900
Yes	30.8%		22.5%	
No	69.2%		77.5%	
Voted in a national, state, or local election		174		1,899
Yes	28.7%		15.1%	
No	71.3%		84.9%	
Participated in: An ethnic/racial student organization		173		1,896
Yes	21.4%		14.7%	
No	78.6%		85.3%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Since entering this college, indicate how often you:				
Contributed to class discussions				
Frequently	55.6%	171	42.5%	1,894
Occasionally	42.1%		52.4%	
Not at all	2.3%		5.1%	
Skipped class				
Occasionally	42.4%	172	57.2%	1,891
Not at all	55.2%		39.1%	
Received tutoring				
Frequently	13.5%	171	6.1%	1,888
Not at all	46.8%		58.5%	
Went home for the weekend				
Frequently	11.8%	170	20.5%	1,884
Occasionally	34.7%		44.1%	
Not at all	53.5%		35.4%	
Received advice/counseling from another student				
Frequently	22.6%	168	15.0%	1,878
Fell asleep in class				
Occasionally	25.0%	168	32.8%	1,886
Not at all	71.4%		63.3%	
Had difficulty getting the courses you need				
Frequently	19.0%	168	11.6%	1,883
Occasionally	56.0%		47.9%	
Not at all	25.0%		40.5%	
Instant messaged/texted during class				
Frequently	8.8%	170	19.9%	1,864
Not at all	31.8%		19.7%	
Worked with classmates on group projects during class				
Occasionally	74.1%	170	66.2%	1,885
Not at all	5.9%		12.3%	
Accessed your campus' library resources electronically				
Not at all	7.7%	169	12.0%	1,882
Made a presentation in class				
Frequently	12.9%	170	19.6%	1,877
Occasionally	80.0%		72.4%	
Used the institution's course catalog (paper or online)				
Frequently	27.6%	170	19.8%	1,879
Not at all	15.3%		21.1%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Are you currently registered to vote?		171		1,897
Ineligible	8.2%		3.6%	
Yes	67.3%		51.8%	
No	24.6%		44.6%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
If you could make your college choice over, would you still choose to enroll at your current (or most recent) college?				
Definitely yes	49.1%		38.3%	
Probably yes	31.6%		39.0%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Do you plan to do any of the following this summer?				
Take courses at another institution				
No	78.9%		67.1%	
Yes	21.1%		32.9%	
Participate in an internship				
No	58.6%		68.3%	
Yes	41.4%		31.7%	
Travel				
No	23.7%		31.1%	
Yes	76.3%		68.9%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Did you transfer into this institution from another college/university?				
Yes	0.0%		1.4%	
No	100.0%		98.6%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Do you identify as transgender?				
Yes	0.0%		0.3%	
No	100.0%		99.7%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
What is your sexual orientation?				
Heterosexual/Straight				
Lesbian	0.0%		0.3%	

Question	WFU (%)	N	Priv. U. (%)	N
Do you identify as multiracial?				
Yes	10.4%		17.3%	
No	89.6%		82.7%	

*Statistically significant at $\alpha=0.05$ level

Note: No Bonferroni correction was applied, thus significance is for each question, not the overall results.

Significant Differences Across Specific Responses

WFU Your First College Year vs
WFU The Freshmen Survey

2015 WFU Your First College Year Survey (YFCY) Responses Differing Significantly* from 2014 WFU Freshman Survey (TFS)

(Students responding to both surveys, total n=154)

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
What is your overall grade average?		123		123
A or A+	55.3%		25.2%	
B+	6.5%		17.1%	
B	0.8%		13.8%	
B-	0.0%		6.5%	

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
How would you characterize your political views?		108		108
Far left	0.9%		5.6%	

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:				
Artistic ability		129		129
Above average	19.4%		31.8%	
Lowest 10%	14.7%		5.4%	
Spirituality		128		128
Below average	21.9%		10.9%	
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues		124		124
Somewhat strong	28.2%		41.1%	

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you:				
Attended a religious service		126		126
Frequently	42.9%		23.8%	
Not at all	23.0%		43.7%	
Been bored in class		127		127
Frequently	34.6%		19.7%	
Occasionally	61.4%		77.2%	
Studied with other students		127		127
Frequently	38.6%		51.2%	
Smoked cigarettes		127		127
Occasionally	3.9%		13.4%	
Not at all	96.1%		85.0%	
Drank beer		126		126
Frequently	9.5%		22.2%	
Not at all	58.7%		42.9%	
Since entering this college, how often have you:Drank wine or liquor		126		126
Frequently	10.3%		27.8%	

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you:				
Performed volunteer work		126		126
Frequently	47.6%		18.3%	
Occasionally	50.0%		63.5%	
Not at all	2.4%		18.3%	
Since entering this college, how often have you:Asked a professor for advice after class				
Frequently	49.6%	127	29.1%	127
Occasionally	44.9%		59.8%	
Performed community service as part of class				
Frequently	20.0%	125	3.2%	125
Occasionally	43.2%		21.6%	
Not at all	36.8%		75.2%	
Since entering this college, how often have you:Discussed politics				
Frequently	39.2%	125	24.8%	125
Occasionally	48.8%		61.6%	

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
Since entering this college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?				
Studying/homework		106		106
3 to 5 hrs/wk	15.1%		5.7%	
1 to 2 hrs/wk	4.7%		0.0%	
Since entering this college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?Exercising or sports				
Over 20 hrs/wk	13.9%	108	2.8%	108
11 to 15 hrs/wk	16.7%		4.6%	
3 to 5 hrs/wk	18.5%		34.3%	
Partying				
6 to 10 hrs/wk	5.6%	108	13.9%	108
3 to 5 hrs/wk	10.2%		29.6%	
None	49.1%		30.6%	
Since entering this college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?Student clubs and groups				
16 to 20 hrs/wk	5.6%	108	0.9%	108
1 to 2 hrs/wk	41.7%		26.9%	
None	4.6%		14.8%	
Household/childcare duties				
11 to 15 hrs/wk	3.7%	107	0.0%	107
6 to 10 hrs/wk	5.6%		0.0%	
3 to 5 hrs/wk	9.3%		0.0%	
1 to 2 hrs/wk	23.4%		2.8%	
Less than one hr/wk	24.3%		7.5%	
None	30.8%		88.8%	

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
How often in the past year did you:				
Ask questions in class		142		142
Frequently	78.2%		45.8%	
Occasionally	21.8%		52.8%	
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received		143		143
Not at all	0.7%		4.9%	
Integrate skills and knowledge from different sources and experiences		142		142
Frequently	61.3%		77.5%	
Occasionally	38.7%		21.8%	

Question	TFS (%)	N	YFCY (%)	N
Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:				
Influencing the political structure		109		109
Very important	11.0%		22.9%	
Influencing social values		108		108
Very important	30.6%		46.3%	
Somewhat important	49.1%		30.6%	
Helping others who are in difficulty		109		109
Somewhat important	33.0%		18.3%	
Writing original works (poems, novels etc.)		109		109
Very important	8.3%		18.3%	
Creating artistic works (painting, sculpture, etc.)		108		108
Not important	66.7%		53.7%	
Participating in a community action program		108		108
Not important	19.4%		7.4%	
Helping to promote racial understanding		108		108
Very important	20.4%		34.3%	
Not important	21.3%		8.3%	

*Statistically significant at $\alpha=0.05$ level

Note: No Bonferroni correction was applied, thus significance is for each question, not the overall results.

Significant Differences by Question within
Wake Forest University

WFU Your First College Year Survey (YFCY) Items Differing Significantly* by Sex

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
How often in the past year did you:				
Revise your papers to improve your writing		95		136
Frequently	56.8%		79.4%	
Occasionally	40.0%		18.4%	
Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received		96		136
Frequently	50.0%		63.2%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you interacted with the following people (e.g., by phone, e-mail, text, or in person):				
Academic advisors/counselors		92		134
Once a week	10.9%		2.2%	
Close friends not at this institution		92		135
2 or 3 times per week	19.6%		32.6%	
Your family		90		135
Daily	22.2%		41.5%	
Once a week	26.7%		12.6%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
How much of the past year's educational expenses (room, board, tuition, and fees) were covered from each of the following sources?:				
My own resources (income from work, work-study, etc.)		85		128
\$3,000 to \$5,999	9.4%		1.6%	
Other sources		79		122
\$1 to \$2,999	2.5%		9.0%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you felt:				
Lonely or homesick		89		127
Not at all	32.6%		16.5%	
Unsafe on this campus		90		127
Occasionally	13.3%		26.0%	
Worried about your health		89		127
Occasionally	41.6%		58.3%	
Not at all	48.3%		28.3%	
That your courses inspired you to think in new ways		90		127
Frequently	38.9%		63.0%	
Not at all	14.4%		2.4%	
Family support to succeed		90		126
Frequently	55.6%		74.6%	
Not at all	14.4%		1.6%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you felt:				
That faculty provided me with feedback that helped me assess my progress in class		90		127
Frequently	40.0%		59.8%	
Not at all	8.9%		2.4%	
That my contributions were valued in class		90		127
Frequently	47.8%		66.1%	
Occasionally	45.6%		31.5%	
That faculty encouraged me to ask questions and participate in discussions		90		127
Frequently	60.0%		78.0%	
Not at all	8.9%		0.8%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
Your overall academic experience		84		124
Dissatisfied	4.8%		0.0%	
Financial aid package		62		93
Dissatisfied	6.5%		20.4%	
Student health services		74		119
Very satisfied	25.7%		10.9%	
Neutral	13.5%		27.7%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:				
Competitiveness		81		122
Highest 10%	35.8%		16.4%	
Creativity		81		122
Highest 10%	22.2%		10.7%	
Average	29.6%		44.3%	
Physical health		81		122
Highest 10%	27.2%		10.7%	
Average	28.4%		48.4%	
Popularity		81		122
Highest 10%	9.9%		0.0%	
Above average	42.0%		25.4%	
Average	37.0%		54.1%	
Public speaking ability		81		122
Lowest 10%	0.0%		3.3%	
Risk-taking		81		122
Average	33.3%		50.0%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:				
Self-confidence (intellectual)		81		121
Highest 10%	27.2%		11.6%	
Self-confidence (social)		81		122
Highest 10%	21.0%		9.8%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
How would you characterize your political views?		67		104
Conservative	37.3%		18.3%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
How would you rate yourself in the following areas:				
Openness to having my own views challenged		80		120
A major strength	40.0%		24.2%	
Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues		80		120
Somewhat weak	0.0%		6.7%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Since entering this college, how often have you:				
Been bored in class		80		119
Frequently	25.0%		13.4%	
Smoked cigarettes		80		119
Not at all	75.0%		88.2%	
Drank beer		80		119
Frequently	28.8%		11.8%	
Felt overwhelmed by all you had to do		80		119
Frequently	28.8%		58.0%	
Occasionally	63.8%		40.3%	
Felt depressed		80		119
Occasionally	36.3%		50.4%	
Performed volunteer work		80		119
Frequently	10.0%		24.4%	
Not at all	31.3%		13.4%	
Socialized with someone of another racial/ethnic group		80		117
Frequently	52.5%		67.5%	
Discussed religion		80		117
Occasionally	65.0%		48.7%	
Helped raise money for a cause or campaign		80		117
Not at all	56.3%		37.6%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
Faculty showed concern about my progress		77		113
Strongly agree	19.5%		34.5%	
The admission/recruitment materials portrayed this campus accurately		77		113
Strongly disagree	11.7%		3.5%	
Faculty empower me to learn here		76		113
Strongly agree	27.6%		44.2%	
If asked, I would recommend this college to others		77		113
Strongly disagree	10.4%		0.0%	
I feel valued at this institution		77		113
Strongly disagree	7.8%		0.0%	
Faculty believe in my potential to succeed academically		77		113
Disagree	11.7%		3.5%	
I feel a sense of belonging to this campus		74		111
Strongly disagree	9.5%		0.0%	
I feel I am a member of this college		74		110
Strongly disagree	9.5%		0.0%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Please rate your satisfaction with this institution on each of the aspects of college life listed below:				
Amount of contact with faculty		70		110
Very satisfied	22.9%		36.4%	
Racial/ethnic diversity of faculty		68		109
Very dissatisfied	0.0%		3.7%	
Racial/ethnic diversity of student body		70		110
Dissatisfied	12.9%		25.5%	
Class size		70		109
Neutral	18.6%		4.6%	
Relevance of coursework to everyday life		69		110
Satisfied	39.1%		56.4%	
Neutral	37.7%		23.6%	
Dissatisfied	10.1%		1.8%	
Respect for the expression of diverse beliefs		67		110
Neutral	31.3%		15.5%	
Your social life		70		110
Dissatisfied	12.9%		3.6%	
Overall sense of community among students		69		110
Very dissatisfied	10.1%		1.8%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Please rate your agreement with the following statements:				
This institution has contributed to my:				
Understanding of the problems facing your community		69		108
Strongly agree	18.8%		33.3%	
Agree	65.2%		46.3%	
Understanding of global issues		68		108
Disagree	7.4%		19.4%	
Ability to conduct research		69		108
Agree	68.1%		48.1%	
Disagree	8.7%		20.4%	
Foreign language ability		69		108
Disagree	20.3%		9.3%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:				
Participating in a community action program		69		106
Not important	14.5%		4.7%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
To what extent have you experienced the following with students from a racial/ethnic group other than your own?				
Had tense, somewhat hostile interactions		68		106
Sometimes	23.5%		9.4%	
Studied or prepared for class		69		106
Very often	24.6%		44.3%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Since entering this college, how much time have you spent during a typical week doing the following activities?				
Studying/homework		67		104
Over 20 hrs/wk	10.4%		26.0%	
3 to 5 hrs/wk	13.4%		3.8%	
Exercising or sports		68		105
6 to 10 hrs/wk	25.0%		11.4%	
Less than one hr/wk	2.9%		17.1%	
Working (for pay) off campus		68		105
1 to 2 hrs/wk	8.8%		1.0%	
Student clubs and groups		67		104
None	25.4%		8.7%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Since entering this college, have you:				
Joined a social fraternity or sorority		69		104
Yes	21.7%		38.5%	
No	78.3%		61.5%	
Played club, intramural, or recreational sports		68		105
Yes	70.6%		41.0%	
No	29.4%		59.0%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Since entering this college, indicate how often you:				
Contributed to class discussions		67		104
Frequently	43.3%		63.5%	
Occasionally	52.2%		35.6%	
Skipped class		68		104
Frequently	5.9%		0.0%	
Received tutoring		67		104
Frequently	6.0%		18.3%	
Worked on a professor's research project		68		104
Frequently	0.0%		4.8%	
Received from your professor advice or guidance about your educational program		67		104
Frequently	7.5%		18.3%	
Received advice/counseling from another student		65		103
Frequently	13.8%		28.2%	
Not at all	33.8%		14.6%	
Made a presentation in class		66		104
Frequently	4.5%		18.3%	
Occasionally	90.9%		73.1%	
Used the institution's course catalog (paper or online)		66		104
Frequently	15.2%		35.6%	
Occasionally	69.7%		49.0%	

Question	Men (%)	N	Women (%)	N
Agreement: It is hard for me to fit in here.		66		103
Disagree	42.4%		58.3%	
Agreement: I feel a sense of connection to my first year class.		66		101
Strongly Disagree	10.6%		1.0%	
Agreement: There are people here whom I can count on.		66		101
Strongly Disagree	4.5%		0.0%	
Agree	56.1%		38.6%	
Strongly Agree	34.8%		54.5%	
Agreement: I am satisfied with the social atmosphere at Wake Forest.		66		102
Strongly Disagree	16.7%		6.9%	

*Statistically significant at $\alpha=0.05$ level

Note: No Bonferroni correction was applied, thus significance is for each question, not the overall results.

WFU Custom Questions

2014 vs 2015

Your First College Year

WFU Custom Questions 2014 vs 2015

Question	WFU '14	N	WFU '15	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
Since entering WFU, I have received advice or guidance from a faculty member about something other than course material.		94		169
Strongly Agree	25.5%		29.6%	
Agree	44.7%		42.0%	
Disagree	25.5%		23.1%	
Strongly Disagree	4.3%		5.3%	
There are at least a few professors at WFU with whom I can have a conversation outside of class about something other than course material.		92		169
Strongly Agree	31.5%		29.6%	
Agree	51.1%		49.7%	
Disagree	14.1%		19.5%	
Strongly Disagree	3.3%		1.2%	
I believe that faculty at WFU are concerned about my personal development.		94		169
Strongly Agree	26.6%		29.0%	
Agree	60.6%		61.5%	
Disagree	11.7%		8.9%	
Strongly Disagree	1.1%		0.6%	
It is hard for me to fit in here.		92		169
Strongly Agree	5.4%		7.1%	
Agree	23.9%		21.9%	
Disagree	50.0%		52.1%	
Strongly Disagree	20.7%		18.9%	
I really identify with the values of this university.		92		169
Strongly Agree	10.9%		20.1%	
Agree	63.0%		58.0%	
Disagree	25.0%		17.2%	
Strongly Disagree	1.1%		4.7%	

Question	WFU '14	N	WFU '15	N
Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree with the following statements:				
I feel a sense of connection to my first year class.		94		167
Strongly Agree	10.6%		12.6%	
Agree	55.3%		60.5%	
Disagree	27.7%		22.2%	
Strongly Disagree	6.4%		4.8%	
I feel a sense of connection to my residence hall.		94		166
Strongly Agree	23.4%		31.3%	
Agree	46.8%		38.6%	
Disagree	21.3%		22.3%	
Strongly Disagree	8.5%		7.8%	
My residence hall is a lonely place for me.		94		167
Strongly Agree	4.3%		4.8%	
Agree	19.1%		16.2%	
Disagree	45.7%		50.9%	
Strongly Disagree	30.9%		28.1%	
I feel sad and alone at social events or in groups.		94		165
Strongly Agree	2.1%		3.6%	
Agree	20.2%		18.8%	
Disagree	50.0%		49.7%	
Strongly Disagree	27.7%		27.9%	
There are people here whom I can count on.		93		167
Strongly Agree	48.4%		46.7%	
Agree	43.0%		45.5%	
Disagree	5.4%		6.0%	
Strongly Disagree	3.2%		1.8%	
I am a fan of WFU sports.		94		167
Strongly Agree	38.3%		24.6%	
Agree	44.7%		55.7%	
Disagree	16.0%		16.2%	
Strongly Disagree	1.1%		3.6%	
I like to wear Wake Forest apparel.		94		168
Strongly Agree	38.3%		35.7%	
Agree	51.1%		52.4%	
Disagree	9.6%		9.5%	
Strongly Disagree	1.1%		2.4%	

Question	WFU '14	N	WFU '15	N
I feel a sense of pride about attending Wake Forest.		94		168
Strongly Agree	46.8%		51.2%	
Agree	48.9%		38.1%	
Disagree	4.3%		8.9%	
Strongly Disagree	0.0%		1.8%	
I believe there is a strong sense of school spirit at Wake Forest.		94		168
Strongly Agree	21.3%		17.9%	
Agree	43.6%		44.6%	
Disagree	30.9%		29.2%	
Strongly Disagree	4.3%		8.3%	
Since being at WFU, I have found topics I am excited or passionate about in my studies.		94		168
Strongly Agree	41.5%		36.3%	
Agree	46.8%		52.4%	
Disagree	9.6%		10.1%	
Strongly Disagree	2.1%		1.2%	
I am satisfied with the quality of my interactions with faculty.		94		168
Strongly Agree	37.2%		30.4%	
Agree	50.0%		58.3%	
Disagree	10.6%		10.1%	
Strongly Disagree	2.1%		1.2%	
I am satisfied with the social atmosphere at Wake Forest.		94		168
Strongly Agree	25.5%		24.4%	
Agree	46.8%		40.5%	
Disagree	21.3%		24.4%	
Strongly Disagree	6.4%		10.7%	

Question	WFU '14	N	N
Since entering this college, how often have you:			
Attended a WFU sporting event.		95	169
Frequently	53.7%		40.2%
Occasionally	42.1%		53.8%
Not at all	4.2%		5.9%
Attended a WFU concert, play, lecture, or art show.		95	169
Frequently	21.1%		21.9%
Occasionally	65.3%		66.9%
Not at all	13.7%		11.2%
Talked to your peers about intellectual topics outside of class.		95	169
Frequently	49.5%		44.4%
Occasionally	45.3%		50.9%
Not at all	5.3%		4.7%

* All questions and responses are shown, not only the significant differences.

Participating Institutions

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List of Participating Institutions

ACE	INSTITUTION	STATE	ACE	INSTITUTION	STATE
Public Universities			Private Universities		
260	University of California-San Diego	CA	5569	Azusa Pacific University	CA
9122	University of Connecticut - Regional Campuses	CT	1773	Fordham University	NY
704	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	IL	172	Pepperdine University	CA
1584	University of Nebraska at Omaha	NE	157	University of the Pacific	CA
Public 4yr Colleges			Nonsectarian 4yr Colleges		
142	California State University-Chico	CA	2046	Antioch College	OH
776	Purdue University-North Central Campus	IN	1141	Babson College	MA
7241	Ramapo College of New Jersey	NJ	2931	Beloit College	WI
9120	University of Baltimore	MD	1745	Cazenovia College	NY
Catholic 4yr Colleges			Other Religious 4yr Colleges		
354	Albertus Magnus College	CT	5152	Columbia College-Chicago	IL
2073	John Carroll University	OH	2065	Denison University	OH
203	Mount St Mary's College	CA	5455	Dominican College of Blauvelt	NY
1187	Regis College	MA	1776	Hamilton College	NY
1203	Stonehill College	MA	2794	Hollins University	VA
2213	University of Portland	OR	1808	Medaille College	NY
606	Carthage College	WI	683	Principia College	IL
1646	Drew University	NJ	246	Scripps College	CA
464	Eckerd College	FL	1188	Simmons College	MA
8	Huntingdon College	AL	1849	Skidmore College	NY
4715	Life Pacific College	CA	5415	Southern New Hampshire University	NH
674	North Central College	IL	789	Wabash College	IN
2454	North Greenville University	SC			
1820	Nyack College	NY			
218	Point Loma Nazarene University	CA			
2564	Sewanee-The University of the South	TN			
5053	Vanguard University of Southern California	CA			