

2006 CCSSE Cohort Frequencies

1 Did you begin college at this college or elsewhere?

69 Started here 31 Started elsewhere

4 In your experiences at this college during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following?

	Very Often	Often	Some-times	Never
a. Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions	29	35	33	3
b. Made a class presentation	8	20	40	33
c. Prepared two or more drafts of a paper or assignment before turning it in	20	30	29	22
d. Worked on a paper or project that required integrating ideas or information from various sources	22	37	29	12
e. Come to class without completing readings or assignments	4	11	55	30
f. Worked with other students on projects during class	13	32	41	14
g. Worked with classmates outside of class to prepare class assignments	6	15	37	42
h. Tutored or taught other students (paid or voluntary)	2	5	19	73
i. Participated in a community-based project as a part of a regular course	2	4	14	80
j. Used the Internet or instant messaging to work on an assignment	29	30	26	15
k. Used e-mail to communicate with an instructor	16	23	35	25
l. Discussed grades or assignments with an instructor	13	31	46	10
m. Talked about career plans with an instructor or advisor	7	17	44	32
n. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with instructors outside of class	4	11	37	48
o. Received prompt feedback (written or oral) from instructors on your performance	17	39	36	8
p. Worked harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations	14	34	41	11
q. Worked with instructors on activities other than coursework	2	6	19	72
r. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.)	18	31	38	12
s. Had serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity other than your own	18	23	34	25
t. Had serious conversations with students who differ from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values	16	23	37	24
u. Skipped class	2	5	44	50

5 During the current school year, how much has your coursework at this college emphasized the following mental activities?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
a. Memorizing facts, ideas, or methods from your courses and readings so you can repeat them in pretty much the same form	25	39	29	7
b. Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory	22	43	30	6
c. Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences in new ways	19	38	35	8
d. Making judgments about the value or soundness of information, arguments, or methods	16	33	38	13
e. Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations	18	35	36	11
f. Using information you have read or heard to perform a new skill	22	35	32	10

Notes:

Items 2, 29, 30, 33, and 34 are not included in this report. See Table 1.

6 During the current school year, about how much reading and writing have you done at this college?

More

	None	1 to 4	5 to 10	11 to 20	than 20
a. Number of assigned textbooks, manuals, books, or book-length packs of course readings	3	43	31	13	10
b. Number of books read on your own (not assigned) for personal enjoyment or academic enrichment	28	49	14	5	4
c. Number of written papers or reports of any length	11	32	30	17	9

7 Mark the box that best represents the extent to which your examinations during the current school year have challenged you to do your best work at this college.

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	Extremely easy
Extremely challenging	11	23	33	24	6	2	1	

8 Which of the following have you done, are you doing, or do you plan to do while attending this college?

	I have done	I plan to do	I have not done nor plan to do
a. Internship, field experience, co-op experience, or clinical assignment	17	40	43
b. English as a second language course	8	5	87
c. Developmental/remedial reading course	18	8	74
d. Developmental/remedial writing course	21	11	68
e. Developmental/remedial math course	32	14	54
f. Study skills course	15	17	68
g. Honors course	5	21	74
h. College orientation program or course	26	13	61
i. Organized learning communities (linked courses/study groups led by faculty or counselors)	8	18	74

9 How much does this college emphasize each of the following?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
a. Encouraging you to spend significant amounts of time studying	28	43	25	5
b. Providing the support you need to help you succeed at this college	27	43	25	6
c. Encouraging contact among students from different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds	17	28	34	20
d. Helping you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.)	8	16	33	43
e. Providing the support you need to thrive socially	8	20	40	31
f. Providing the financial support you need to afford your education	21	23	27	29
g. Using computers in academic work	40	33	20	8

10 About how many hours do you spend in a typical 7-day week doing each of the following?

	None	1 – 5	6 - 10	11 - 20	21 - 30	More than 30
a. Preparing for class (studying, reading, writing, rehearsing, doing homework, or other activities related to your program)	2	45	29	16	5	3
b. Working for pay	20	5	6	12	17	40
c. Participating in college-sponsored activities (organizations, campus publications, student government, intercollegiate or intramural sports, etc.)	83	12	2	1	1	1
d. Providing care for dependents living with you (parents, children, spouse, etc.)	44	15	8	6	4	24
e. Commuting to and from classes	7	69	16	5	1	2

11 Mark the number that best represents the quality of your relationships with people at this college.

Your relationship with:

a. **Other Students**

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
Friendly, supportive, sense of belonging	27	28	22	16	4	2	1	Unfriendly, unsupportive, sense of alienation

b. **Instructors**

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
Available, helpful, sympathetic	29	32	21	12	4	2	1	Unavailable, unhelpful, unsympathetic

c. **Administrative Personnel & Offices**

	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	
Helpful, considerate, flexible	18	22	22	20	9	5	3	Unhelpful, inconsiderate, rigid

12 How much has YOUR EXPERIENCE AT THIS COLLEGE contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?

	Very much	Quite a bit	Some	Very little
a. Acquiring a broad general education	27	42	24	6
b. Acquiring job or work-related knowledge and skills	21	30	30	19
c. Writing clearly and effectively	20	38	30	12
d. Speaking clearly and effectively	18	35	32	15
e. Thinking critically and analytically	24	42	27	7
f. Solving numerical problems	19	34	30	17
g. Using computing and information technology	25	32	28	15
h. Working effectively with others	21	37	32	10
i. Learning effectively on your own	26	41	26	7
j. Understanding yourself	21	31	31	18
k. Understanding people of other racial and ethnic	15	26	35	25
l. Developing a personal code of values and ethics	15	25	34	26
m. Contributing to the welfare of your community	8	17	35	39
n. Developing clearer career goals	22	32	29	17
o. Gaining information about career opportunities	20	29	31	20

13 This section has three parts. Please answer all three sections, indicating (1) HOW OFTEN you use the following services, (2) HOW SATISFIED you are with the services, and (3) HOW IMPORTANT the services are to you AT THIS COLLEGE.

	(1) Frequency of Use				(2) Satisfaction				(3) Importance		
	Often	Some-times	Rarely/ Never	Don't know N.A.	Very	Some- what	Not at all	N.A.	Very	Some- what	Not at all
a. Academic advising/planning	12	43	35	10	27	44	10	19	60	29	11
b. Career counseling	5	23	50	22	16	29	14	41	49	29	22
c. Job placement assistance	3	9	45	43	7	16	14	64	37	27	36
d. Peer or other tutoring	7	18	45	30	16	23	10	51	38	31	31
e. Skill labs (writing, math, etc.)	15	24	36	25	22	29	8	42	43	31	26
f. Child care	2	3	35	60	4	7	10	78	27	18	55
g. Financial aid advising	18	26	31	25	25	25	14	36	60	17	23
h. Computer lab	32	30	24	15	43	28	5	23	59	24	16
i. Student organizations	4	11	43	41	9	19	11	62	23	35	43
j. Transfer credit assistance	7	20	35	37	14	23	12	51	50	21	29
k. Services to students with disabilities	4	5	31	61	8	10	8	75	44	15	42

14 How likely is it that the following issues would cause you to withdraw from class or from this college? (Please respond to each item)

	Very likely	Likely	Some- what likely	Not likely
	a. Working full-time	20	17	21
b. Caring for dependents	13	16	22	49
c. Academically unprepared	6	12	23	59
d. Lack of finances	27	18	23	32
e. Transfer to a 4-year college or university	31	18	17	34

15 How supportive are your friends of your attending this college?

49 Extremely
29 Quite a bit
18 Somewhat
4 Not Very

16 How supportive is your immediate family of your attending this college?

66 Extremely
20 Quite a bit
10 Somewhat
3 Not Very

17 Indicate which of the following are your reasons/goals for attending this college. (Please respond to each item)

	Primary goal	Secondary goal	Not a goal
a. Complete a certificate program	29	19	52
b. Obtain an associate degree	58	21	21
c. Transfer to a 4-year college or university	50	21	28
d. Obtain or update job-related skills	41	27	33
e. Self-improvement/personal enjoyment	39	34	26
f. Change careers	30	16	55

18 Indicate which of the following are sources you use to pay your tuition at this college. (Please respond to each item)

	Major source	Minor source	Not a source
a. My own income/savings	39	28	33
b. Parent or spouse/significant other's income/savings	29	18	54
c. Employer contributions	8	8	84
d. Grants & scholarships	34	11	55
e. Student loans (bank, etc.)	18	8	74
f. Public assistance	7	4	89

19 Since high school, which of the following types of schools have you attended other than the one you are now attending? (Please mark all that apply)

- 8 Proprietary (private) school or training program
- 10 Public vocational-technical school
- 20 Another community or technical college
- 23 4-year college or university
- 50 None

20 When do you plan to take classes at this college again?

- 12 I will accomplish my goal(s) during this term and will not be returning
- 5 I have no current plan to return
- 65 Within the next 12 months
- 18 Uncertain

21 At this college, in what range is your overall college grade average?

- 17 A
- 28 A- to B+
- 23 B
- 19 B- to C+
- 8 C
- 2 C- or lower
- 3 Do not have a GPA at this school
- 1 Pass/fail classes only

22 When do you most frequently take classes at this college? (Mark one only)

- 68 Day classes (morning or afternoon)
- 32 Evening classes
- 1 Weekend classes

23 How many TOTAL credit hours have you earned at this college, not counting the courses you are currently taking this term?

- 13 none
- 33 1-14 credits
- 21 15-29 credits
- 14 30-44 credits
- 11 45-60 credits
- 8 over 60 credits

**24 At what other types of institutions are you taking classes this term?
(Please mark all that apply)**

- 86 None
- 2 High school
- 1 Vocational/technical school
- 2 Another community or technical college
- 4 4-year college/university
- 3 Other

25 How many classes are you *presently* taking at OTHER institutions?

- 84 None
- 4 1 class
- 4 2 classes
- 3 3 classes
- 5 4 classes or more

26 Would you recommend this college to a friend or family member?

- 94 Yes
- 6 No

27 How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this college?

- 30 Excellent
- 56 Good
- 12 Fair
- 1 Poor

28 Do you have children who live with you?

- 32 Yes
- 68 No

31 Are you married?

- 26 Yes
- 74 No

32 Is English your native (first) language?

- 89 Yes
- 11 No

35 What is the highest academic credential you have earned?

- 3 None
- 73 High school diploma or GED
- 10 Vocational/technical certificate
- 7 Associate degree
- 5 Bachelor's degree
- 1 Master's/doctoral/professional degree

36 What is the highest level of education obtained by your:

	Father	Mother
a. Not a high school graduate	17	14
b. High school diploma or GED	32	34
c. Some college, did not complete degree	14	16
d. Associate degree	7	11
e. Bachelor's degree	13	12
f. Master's degree/1st professional	7	6
g. Doctorate degree	2	1
h. Unknown	8	5