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# **NSSE 2017**

## **Selected Comparison Groups**

University of North Texas at Dallas

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### Comparison Groups

The NSSE *Institutional Report* displays core survey results for your students alongside those of three comparison groups. In May, your institution was invited to customize these groups via a form on the Institution Interface. This report summarizes how your comparison groups were constructed and lists the institutions within them.

NSSE comparison groups may be customized by (a) identifying specific institutions from the list of all 2016 and 2017 NSSE participants, (b) composing the group by selecting institutional characteristics, or (c) a combination of these. Institutions that chose not to customize received default groups<sup>a</sup> that provide relevant comparisons for most institutions.

Institutions that appended additional question sets in the form of topical modules or through consortium participation were also invited to customize comparison groups for those reports. The default for those groups was all other 2016 and 2017 institutions where the questions were administered. Please note: Comparison group details for topical module and consortium reports are documented separately in those reports.

### Report Comparisons

Comparison groups are located in the institutional reports as illustrated in the mock report at right. In this example, the three groups are "Private Doc-Granting," "Carnegie UG Program," and "NSSE

				Your Students' Responses		Comparison Group 1		Comparison Group 2		Comparison Group 3	
				NSSEville State		Private Doc-Granting		Carnegie UG Program		NSSE 2016 & 2017	
Item wording or description	Variable name <sup>c</sup>	Values <sup>d</sup>	Response options	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
<b>1. During the current school year, about how often have you done the following?</b>											
a. Asked questions or contributed to course discussions in other ways	askquest	1 2 3 4	Never Sometimes Often Very often	45	4	1,462	5	810	5	3,978	3
				450	37	13,039	39	6,910	40	43,752	33
				428	34	11,411	34	5,911	34	47,737	35
				307	25	7,173	22	3,759	21	39,041	28
			Total	1,230	100	33,087	100	17,396	100	134,508	100

### Reading This Report

This report consists of three sections that provide details for each of your comparison groups, illustrated at right.

**Comparison Group Name**  
The name assigned to the comparison group is listed here.

**How Group was Constructed**  
Indicates whether your group was drawn from a list, built based on criteria, or is the default group. If institutional characteristics were used to build your comparison group, they are listed here.

**Institution List**  
The names, cities and states or provinces of the comparison institutions are listed for your reference. NSSE 2016 participants are identified with an asterisk.

#### Comparison Group 1: Private Doc-Granting

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/2/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this group by selecting institutional characteristics as follows: Basic Classification (All Doc); Sector (Priv)
Group description (as provided by your institution)	All other current- and prior-year participating private Doctoral Universities.
<b>Private Doc-Granting (N=51)</b>	
Adelphi University (Garden City, NY)	Suffolk University (Boston, MA)
American University (Washington, DC)*	Texas Christian University (Fort Worth, TX)*
Azusa Pacific University (Azusa, CA)	Trevecca Nazarene University (Nashville, TN)
Boston College (Chestnut Hill, MA)*	Timothy International University (Deerfield, IL)
Boston University (Boston, MA)*	Tulane University (New Orleans, LA)
Brigham Young University (Provo, UT)	Union University (Jackson, TN)
Capella University (Minneapolis, MN)	University of Dayton (Dayton, OH)*
Catholic University of America, The (Washington, DC)	University of Denver (Denver, CO)*

a. The default groups are:

Comparison Group 1: For institutions not in a NSSE consortium, this group contains 2016 and 2017 NSSE institutions in the same geographic region and sector (public/private). For consortium institutions, it contains results for the other 2016 (if applicable) and 2017 consortium members.

Comparison Group 2: All other 2016 and 2017 U.S. NSSE institutions sharing your institution's Basic Carnegie Classification. (Canadian institutions are not classified by the Carnegie Foundation, and must identify a comparison group.)

Comparison Group 3: All other 2016 and 2017 U.S. NSSE institutions (2016 and 2017 Canadian participants are also included in this group for Canadian institutions).

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### Comparison Group 1: In-state Peers

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/15/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this comparison group by selecting from the list of all 2016 and 2017 NSSE participants.
Group description (as provided by your institution)	No description provided

### In-state Peers (N=5)

- Texas A&M International University (Laredo, TX)\*
- Texas A&M University - Texarkana (Texarkana, TX)
- Texas A&M University San Antonio (San Antonio, TX)
- Texas A&M University-Central Texas (Killeen, TX)
- University of Houston-Victoria (Victoria, TX)

### Comparison Group 2: AASCU Peers

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/15/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this comparison group by selecting from the list of all 2016 and 2017 NSSE participants.
Group description (as provided by your institution)	No description provided

#### AASCU Peers (N=34)

California Polytechnic State University-San Luis Obispo (San Luis Obispo, CA)  
 California State University-Channel Islands (Camarillo, CA)  
 California State University-Dominguez Hills (Carson, CA)  
 California State University-Long Beach (Long Beach, CA)  
 California State University, Monterey Bay (Seaside, CA)  
 California State University, Northridge (Northridge, CA)  
 Central Michigan University (Mount Pleasant, MI)  
 Dixie State University (Saint George, UT)\*  
 Fayetteville State University (Fayetteville, NC)  
 Fitchburg State University (Fitchburg, MA)  
 Fort Hays State University (Hays, KS)\*  
 Framingham State University (Framingham, MA)  
 Governors State University (University Park, IL)  
 Humboldt State University (Arcata, CA)  
 Indiana University East (Richmond, IN)  
 Jacksonville State University (Jacksonville, AL)  
 Kennesaw State University (Kennesaw, GA)  
 Metropolitan State University of Denver (Denver, CO)  
 Minnesota State University, Mankato (Mankato, MN)  
 New Jersey City University (Jersey City, NJ)  
 Northern Arizona University (Flagstaff, AZ)  
 Sam Houston State University (Huntsville, TX)\*  
 Southern Oregon University (Ashland, OR)\*  
 St. Cloud State University (St Cloud, MN)  
 Stephen F. Austin State University (Nacogdoches, TX)  
 Stockton University (Galloway, NJ)\*  
 Tarleton State University (Stephenville, TX)  
 University of Arkansas at Little Rock (Little Rock, AR)\*  
 University of Central Florida (Orlando, FL)  
 University of Wisconsin-La Crosse (La Crosse, WI)  
 University of Wisconsin-Whitewater (Whitewater, WI)  
 Utah Valley University (Orem, UT)  
 Washington State University (Pullman, WA)  
 Winston-Salem State University (Winston-Salem, NC)

\*2016 participant

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### Comparison Group 3: Out State Best Class

This section summarizes how this group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default group was used. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions in this group.

Date submitted	5/15/17
How was this comparison group constructed?	Your institution customized this comparison group by selecting from the list of all 2016 and 2017 NSSE participants.
Group description (as provided by your institution)	No description provided

### Out State Best Class (N=5)

- Georgia State University (Atlanta, GA)
- Morgan State University (Baltimore, MD)
- University of Washington Tacoma (Tacoma, WA)\*
- University of Wisconsin-Parkside (Kenosha, WI)
- Xavier University (Cincinnati, OH)