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		Your C	College	M	edium Colleg	es	2015 Cohort		
Item	Variable	N	Mean	N	Mean	Effect Size**	N	Mean	Effect Size**
Item 4: In your experiences at this college during the current school year, about how often have you d	one each of the follo	wing?							
1 = Never, 2 = Sometimes, 3 = Often, 4 = Very often									
4a. Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions [ACTCOLL]	CLQUEST	779	2.85	105,909	2.94		440,789	2.92	
4b. Made a class presentation [ACTCOLL]	CLPRESEN	778	2.11	105,530	2.13		439,345	2.16	
4c. Prepared two or more drafts of a paper or assignment before turning it in [STUEFF]	REWROPAP	772	2.37	105,119	2.52		437,562	2.52	
4d. Worked on a paper or project that required integrating ideas or information from various sources [STUEFF]	INTEGRAT	773	2.94	105,213	2.82		437,975	2.83	
4e. Came to class without completing readings or assignments [STUEFF]	CLUNPREP	774	1.96	105,009	1.81		437,043	1.83	
4f. Worked with other students on projects during class [ACTCOLL]	CLASSGRP	767	2.70	104,863	2.54		436,457	2.55	
4g. Worked with classmates outside of class to prepare class assignments [ACTCOLL]	OCCGRP	775	2.38	105,150	1.92	0.50**	437,573	1.95	0.47**
4h. Tutored or taught other students (paid or voluntary) [ACTCOLL]	TUTOR	777	1.43	105,329	1.38		438,496	1.39	
4i. Participated in a community-based project as a part of a regular course [ACTCOLL]	COMMPROJ	770	1.25	104,903	1.34		436,715	1.35	
4j. Used the Internet or instant messaging to work on an assignment	INTERNET	776	3.06	104,873	3.08		436,708	3.07	
4k. Used e-mail to communicate with an instructor [STUFAC]	EMAIL	771	2.89	105,049	2.93		437,178	2.92	
4I. Discussed grades or assignments with an instructor [STUFAC]	FACGRADE	772	2.46	105,175	2.64		437,757	2.63	
4m. Talked about career plans with an instructor or advisor [STUFAC]	FACPLANS	772	1.95	104,956	2.16	-0.22**	436,922	2.15	-0.22**
4n. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with instructors outside of class [STUFAC]	FACIDEAS	767	1.85	104,839	1.80		436,243	1.80	
to. Received prompt feedback (written or oral) from instructors on your performance [STUFAC]	FACFEED	773	2.82	104,971	2.75		436,978	2.74	

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Item 4: In your experiences at this college during the current school year, about how often have you dor	ne each of the follo	wing?							
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4p. Worked harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations [ACCHALL]	WORKHARD	775	2.55	105,050	2.64		437,298	2.64	
4q. Worked with instructors on activities other than coursework [STUFAC]	FACOTH	769	1.34	104,124	1.47		433,467	1.48	
4r. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.) [ACTCOLL]	OOCIDEAS	777	2.69	105,251	2.54		438,167	2.54	
4s. Had serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity other than your own	DIVRSTUD	766	2.44	105,157	2.44		437,726	2.46	
4t. Had serious conversations with students who differ from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values	DIFFSTUD	770	2.44	105,041	2.35		437,413	2.36	
4u. Skipped class	SKIPCLAS	777	1.66	105,356	1.52	0.21**	438,659	1.54	
Item 5: During the current school year, how much has your coursework at this college emphasized the	following mental a	ctivities?							
1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much									
5a. Memorizing facts, ideas, or methods from your courses and readings so you can repeat them in pretty much the same form	MEMORIZE	781	2.89	105,564	2.88		439,375	2.88	
5b. Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory [ACCHALL]	ANALYZE	778	3.07	105,266	2.92		438,081	2.93	
5c. Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences in new ways [ACCHALL]	SYNTHESZ	775	2.75	104,811	2.80		436,246	2.80	
5d. Making judgments about the value or soundness of information, arguments, or methods [ACCHALL]	EVALUATE	777	2.61	104,921	2.63		436,817	2.64	
5e. Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations [ACCHALL]	APPLYING	777	2.82	105,139	2.74		437,513	2.74	
5f. Using information you have read or heard to perform a new skill [ACCHALL]	PERFORM	779	2.74	105,466	2.87		438,968	2.87	

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Item 6: During the current school year, about how much reading and writing have you done at this colle	ge?								
1 = None, 2 = Between 1 and 4, 3 = Between 5 and 10, 4 = Between 11 and 20, 5 = More than 20									
6a. Number of assigned textbooks, manuals, books, or book-length packs of course readings [ACCHALL]	READASGN	760	2.98	104,406	2.89		434,730	2.89	
6b. Number of books read on your own (not assigned) for personal enjoyment or academic enrichment [STUEFF]	READOWN	759	2.02	104,345	2.04		434,590	2.04	
6c. Number of written papers or reports of any length [ACCHALL]	WRITEANY	759	3.11	104,265	2.86	0.23**	434,294	2.88	0.21**
Item 7									
1 = Extremely easy 7 = Extremely challenging									
7. Mark the response 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 [ACCHALL]	EXAMS	724	5.07	100,685	4.97		418,946	4.96	
Item 9: How much does this college emphasize each of the following?									
1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much									
9a. Encouraging you to spend significant amounts of time studying [ACCHALL]	ENVSCHOL	763	2.95	104,320	3.05		434,463	3.05	
9b. Providing the support you need to help you succeed at this college [SUPPORT]	ENVSUPRT	763	3.03	104,169	3.04		433,813	3.04	
9c. Encouraging contact among students from different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds [SUPPORT]	ENVDIVRS	757	2.55	103,861	2.60		432,630	2.61	
9d. Helping you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.) [SUPPORT]	ENVNACAD	760	1.93	103,942	2.02		432,848	2.03	
9e. Providing the support you need to thrive socially [SUPPORT]	ENVSOCAL	755	2.10	103,476	2.24		430,995	2.24	
9f. Providing the financial support you need to afford your education [SUPPORT]	FINSUPP	749	2.00	103,707	2.60	-0.55**	432,035	2.60	-0.55**
9g. Using computers in academic work	ENVCOMP	764	3.03	104,138	3.25	-0.25**	433,768	3.24	-0.24**

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Item 10: About how many hours do you spend in a typical 7-day week doing each of the following?									
0 = None, 1 = 1-5 hours, 2 = 6-10 hours, 3 = 11-20 hours, 4 = 21-30 hours, 5 = More than 30 hours									
10a. Preparing for class (studying, reading, writing, rehearsing, doing homework, or other activites related to your program) [STUEFF]	ACADPR01	759	2.39	104,165	2.01	0.33**	433,517	2.00	0.34**
10b. Working for pay	PAYWORK	760	2.13	103,868	2.87	-0.37**	432,176	2.85	-0.37**
10c. Participating in college-sponsored activities (organizations, campus publications, student government, intercollegiate or intramural sports, etc.)	COCURR01	760	0.30	103,910	0.31		432,470	0.32	
10d. Providing care for dependents living with you (parents, children, spouse, etc.)	CAREDE01	759	0.99	103,710	1.75	-0.37**	431,609	1.69	-0.35**
10e. Commuting to and from classes	COMMUTE	760	1.27	103,896	1.34		432,430	1.35	
Item 11: Mark the number that best represents the quality of your relationships with people at this college	ge.								
1 = Unfriendly, unsupportive, sense of alienation 7 = Friendly, supportive, sense of belonging									
11a. Other students	ENVSTU	760	5.62	104,191	5.47		433,711	5.44	
11b. Instructors	ENVFAC	760	5.73	104,201	5.72		433,771	5.70	
11c. Administrative personnel and offices	ENVADM	758	4.96	104,073	5.10		433,225	5.06	
Item 12: How much has your experience at this college contributed to your knowledge, skills, and perso	onal development i	n the following	areas?						
1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much									
12a. Acquiring a broad general education	GNGENLED	758	3.01	103,888	3.00		432,551	3.00	
12b. Acquiring job or work-related knowledge and skills	GNWORK	753	2.52	103,747	2.62		431,935	2.60	
12c. Writing clearly and effectively	GNWRITE	759	2.82	103,795	2.79		432,102	2.80	
12d. Speaking clearly and effectively	GNSPEAK	753	2.60	103,768	2.71		431,957	2.73	
12e. Thinking critically and analytically	GNANALY	754	3.07	103,735	2.97		431,799	2.98	

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Item	Variable	N	Mean	N	Mean	Effect Size**	N	Mean	Effect Size**
Item 12: How much has your experience at this college contributed to your knowledge, skills, and person	onal development i	n the following	areas?	•					
1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much									
12f. Solving numerical problems	GNSOLVE	756	2.65	103,636	2.69		431,573	2.70	
12g. Using computing and information technology	GNCMPTS	757	2.66	103,687	2.84		431,619	2.82	
12h. Working effectively with others	GNOTHERS	754	2.88	103,706	2.82		431,783	2.82	
12i. Learning effectively on your own	GNINQ	756	3.00	103,703	2.99		431,812	2.99	
12j. Understanding yourself	GNSELF	754	2.58	103,591	2.69		431,377	2.69	
12k. Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds	GNDIVERS	744	2.29	103,480	2.48		430,783	2.50	-0.20**
12I. Developing a personal code of values and ethics	GNETHICS	752	2.31	103,519	2.49		430,978	2.49	
12m. Contributing to the welfare of your community	GNCOMMUN	748	1.89	103,340	2.10	-0.22**	430,306	2.10	-0.21**
12n. Developing clearer career goals	CARGOAL	752	2.61	103,628	2.76		431,452	2.76	
12o. Gaining information about career opportunities	GAINCAR	751	2.47	103,811	2.63		432,161	2.63	
Item 13.1: How often do you use the following services at this college?									
1 = Rarely/Never, 2 = Sometimes, 3 = Often (Don't know/N.A. category not included in means calculat	ions)								
13.1a. Academic advising/planning [SUPPORT]	USEACAD	675	1.62	96,704	1.84	-0.31**	401,527	1.83	-0.31**
13.1b. Career counseling [SUPPORT]	USECACOU	603	1.34	82,562	1.44		344,917	1.45	
13.1c. Job placement assistance	USEJOBPL	458	1.26	63,285	1.26		261,818	1.26	
13.1d. Peer or other tutoring [STUEFF]	USETUTOR	533	1.43	79,669	1.51		331,182	1.53	

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Item 13.1: How often do you use the following services at this college?								•	
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13.1e. Skill labs (writing, math, etc.) [STUEFF]	USELAB	548	1.77	81,714	1.75		340,689	1.75	
13.1f. Child care	USECHLD	289	1.07	45,722	1.18	-0.22**	188,528	1.18	-0.22**
13.1g. Financial aid advising	USEFAADV	460	1.37	85,980	1.88	-0.66**	354,745	1.87	-0.65**
13.1h. Computer lab [STUEFF]	USECOMLB	632	1.98	90,530	2.06		375,212	2.06	
13.1i. Student organizations	USESTORG	495	1.41	68,589	1.40		284,408	1.40	
13.1j. Transfer credit assistance	USETRCRD	443	1.43	68,914	1.53		286,996	1.54	
13.1k. Services to students with disabilities	USEDISAB	313	1.35	46,707	1.32		193,285	1.33	
Item 13.2: How satisfied are you with the following services at this college?	I	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
1 = Not at all, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Very (N.A. category not included in means calculations)									
13.2a. Academic advising/planning	SATACAD	566	2.19	86,694	2.29		360,020	2.28	
13.2b. Career counseling	SATCACOU	393	2.03	58,612	2.10		247,495	2.09	
13.2c. Job placement assistance	SATJOBPL	261	1.93	39,149	1.88		162,875	1.87	
13.2d. Peer or other tutoring	SATTUTOR	329	2.21	55,182	2.23		233,085	2.23	
13.2e. Skill labs (writing, math, etc.)	SATLAB	384	2.25	60,601	2.30		255,199	2.30	
13.2f. Child care	SATCHLD	98	1.65	22,093	1.82		92,700	1.81	
13.2g. Financial aid advising	SATFAADV	289	1.96	72,859	2.27	-0.44**	299,857	2.26	-0.43**

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Item 13.2: How satisfied are you with the following services at this college?								•	
1 = Not at all, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Very (N.A. category not included in means calculations)									
13.2h. Computer lab	SATCOMLB	553	2.34	78,896	2.50	-0.28**	326,935	2.50	-0.26**
13.2i. Student organizations	SATSTORG	320	2.13	44,308	2.05		186,291	2.05	
13.2j. Transfer credit assistance	SATTRCRD	290	1.94	50,244	2.11	-0.25**	211,446	2.10	-0.23**
13.2k. Services to students with disabilities	SATDISAB	163	2.25	26,929	2.08		113,079	2.08	
Item 13.3: How important are the following services to you at this college?									
1 = Not at all, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Very									
13.3a. Academic advising/planning	IMPACAD	726	2.47	99,313	2.58		413,402	2.58	
13.3b. Career counseling	IMPCACOU	714	2.34	98,102	2.31		408,686	2.33	
13.3c. Job placement assistance	IMPJOBPL	701	2.10	97,135	2.09		404,453	2.09	
13.3d. Peer or other tutoring	IMPTUTOR	698	2.07	97,148	2.18		404,519	2.19	
13.3e. Skill labs (writing, math, etc.)	IMPLAB	691	2.07	96,584	2.24	-0.21**	402,668	2.25	-0.23**
13.3f. Child care	IMPCHLD	688	1.68	96,390	1.75		401,304	1.75	
13.3g. Financial aid advising	IMPFAADV	692	2.15	97,163	2.48	-0.43**	404,708	2.48	-0.43**
13.3h. Computer lab	IMPCOMLB	706	2.30	97,345	2.44		405,230	2.44	
13.3i. Student organizations	IMPSTORG	683	1.97	96,020	1.89		399,946	1.90	
13.3j. Transfer credit assistance	IMPTRCRD	688	2.11	97,050	2.25		404,076	2.26	

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tem 13.3: How important are the following services to you at this college?									
1 = Not at all, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Very									
13.3k. Services to students with disabilities	IMPDISAB	687	2.14	96,857	2.07		403,149	2.08	
tem 14: How likely is it that the following issues would cause you to withdraw from class or from this c	ollege?								
1 = Not likely, 2 = Somewhat likely, 3 = Likely, 4 = Very likely									
14a. Working full-time	WRKFULL	756	2.28	103,893	2.21		432,197	2.23	
14b. Caring for dependents	CAREDEP	754	1.96	103,645	1.93		431,142	1.93	
14c. Academically unprepared	ACADUNP	757	1.81	103,326	1.70		429,832	1.72	
14d. Lack of finances	LACKFIN	756	2.51	103,567	2.47		430,781	2.46	
14e. Transfer to a 4-year college or university	TRANSFER	753	2.39	103,691	2.41		431,334	2.44	
Item 15									
1 = Not very, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Extremely									
15. How supportive are your friends of your attending this college?	FRNDSUPP	759	3.27	104,030	3.25		432,680	3.23	
Item 16									
1 = Not very, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Extremely									
16. How supportive is your immediate family of your attending this college?	FAMSUPP	760	3.50	103,634	3.51		431,048	3.51	
Item 23	·	·	·			·		·	
0 = None, 1 = 1-14 credits, 2 = 15-29 credits, 3 = 30-44 credits, 4 = 45-60 credits, 5 = Over 60 credits									
23. How many total credit hours have you earned at this college, not counting the courses you are currently taking this term?	TOTCHRS	736	1.76	103,450	2.10	-0.23**	429,786	2.13	-0.26**

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Item 25										
1 = None, 2 = 1 class, 3 = 2 classes, 4 = 3 classes, 5 = 4 classes or more credits										
25. How many classes are you presently taking at other institutions?	OTHINST	769	1.31	104,112	1.41		433,058	1.41		
Item 27										
1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent										
27. How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this college?	ENTIREXP	770	3.18	104,121	3.14		433,042	3.13		

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