## IRISH SURVEY OF STUDENT ENGAGEMENT (ISSE)

## 2014 QUESTIONS

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The Irish Survey of Student Engagement 2014 uses the following questions. The Survey Design Group determined that the 2014 implementation of ISSE should use the same question set used in the 2013 pilot national survey, other than the final question which is being used to inform evaluation of the promotional materials. All other questions are based on the Australian Survey of Student Engagement (AUSSE). This is a suite of instruments that measure student engagement and student outcomes.

The AUSSSE survey is based on the US National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) and was extensively tested prior to use in the Australian higher education system. Pre-testing consisted of focus groups, consultations, cognitive interviews, pilot testing, expert reviews and psychometric analyses. The AUSSE is now the predominant student outcome measure used in the Australian higher education system.

An equivalent full testing process was undertaken in Ireland prior to the 2013 pilot national survey. Pretesting found that the questions accurately captured the experiences of undergraduate students and, with minor amendments, were appropriate to capture the experiences of taught postgraduate students. The Survey Design group also recommended the inclusion of a small number of questions with free text responses in the survey. It is important to note that arrangements will be made to ensure that any free text comments relating to identifiable individuals will be removed from responses in advance of any analysis.

Further information is available on the website www.studentsurvey.ie

Please note that the survey will be delivered to students electronically and is expected to take approximately fifteen minutes to complete.





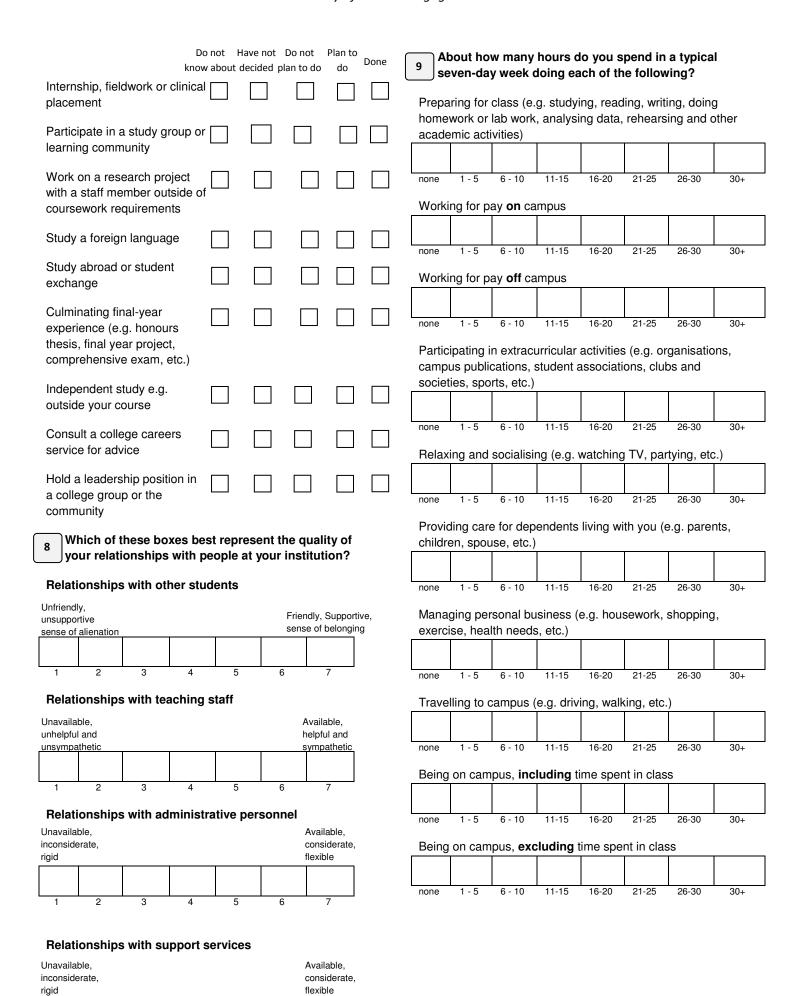




current academic year, about how often have you									
done each of the following?	11000	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	ave yo	u		Never	Some-	Often	Very often
Asked questions or contributed to discussions in class, tutorials, labs or	Never	Some- times	Often	Very often	Used an online learning system to discuss or complete an assignment e.g Moodle, Blackboard		times		
online  Sought advice from academic staff					Used email or an online forum to communicate with teaching staff				
Made a class or online presentation					Discussed your grades or				
Worked hard to master difficult content					assignments with teaching staff / tutors	_	_		
Prepared two or more drafts of an assignment before handing it in					Talked about your career plans with teaching staff or career advisors				
Used library resources on campus or online					Discussed ideas from your coursework or classes with teaching staff outside class				
Worked on an assignment that required integrating ideas or information from various sources					Received timely written or oral feedback from teachers/tutors on your academic performance				
Used student learning support services e.g. learning centre, computer centre, maths support					Worked harder than you thought you could to meet a teacher's/tutor's standards or expectations				
Blended academic learning with workplace experience					Worked with teaching staff on activities other than coursework (e.g				
Included diverse perspectives (e.g. different races, religions, genders, political beliefs, etc.) in class discussions or written assignments					committees, orientation, student organisations etc.)  Discussed ideas from your coursework with others outside class				
Attended class without completing the required preparatory work					(e.g. students, family members, co- workers, etc.)				
Kept up to date with your studies					Had conversations with students of a different ethnicity/nationality than your own	a 🗌			
Worked with other students <b>inside</b> class to prepare assignments					Had conversations with students who	) [			
Worked with other students <b>outside</b> class to prepare assignments					are very different to you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions or personal values				
Put together ideas or concepts from different subjects / modules when completing assignments or during									
class discussions					During the current academic year, how much has your coursework emphasised the following				
Tutored or taught other college students (paid or voluntary)					intellectual activities?	Very little	Some	Quite a bit	Very much
Participated in a community-based project (e.g. volunteering) as part of your course					Memorising facts, ideas or methods from your subjects and coursework so you can repeat them in pretty much the same form	· 🗆			
					<b>Analysing</b> the basic elements of an idea, problem, experience or theory, such as examining a particular case or situation in depth and considering				

its components

	Very little	Some	Quite a bit	Very much	During the current academic year have you done each of the follow	-	ut how	often	
Organising and synthesising ideas, information or experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships						_	Some- times	Often	Very often
Making judgements about the value of information, arguments or					dance, music, theatre or other performance				
methods, (e.g. examining how others gather and interpret data and assessing the soundness of their					Exercised or participated in physical fitness activities				
conclusions)  Applying theories or concepts to					Examined the strengths and weaknesses of your own views on a topic or issue				
practical problems or in new situations					Improved knowledge and skills that will contribute to your employability				
In a typical week, how many exemples and tutorial question complete?			oorts,		Developed communication skills relevant to your discipline				
Number of pieces of work that take	None	1-2 3-4	5-6	7+ 	Explored how to apply your learning in the workplace				
one hour or less to complete  Number of pieces of work that take more than one hour to complete					Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from their perspective				
During the current academic year how many:	<b>ar appr</b> None 1		<b>ely</b> 0 11-19	20+	Learned something that changed the way you understand an issue or concept				
Assigned textbooks, books, booklength packs or journal articles of					Spent time keeping your CV up-to-date				
subject readings have you read?  Books or journal articles (not			] [		Thought about how to present yourself to potential employers				
assigned) for personal enjoyment or academic enrichment have you read?					Explored where to look for jobs relevant to your interests				
Assignments of fewer than 1,000 words or equivalent have you					Used networking to source information on job opportunities				
completed?  Assignments of between 1,000 and 5,000 words or equivalent have you completed?					Set career development goals and plans				
Assignments of more than 5,000 words or equivalent have you completed?									
Which box best represents the extent to which your					Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate from your institution?				
assessments during the current academic year have					Do not Hav know about dec	e not	Do not	Plan to	Done
Challenged you to do your best	work?	Verv	much		Industry placement or work [ [				
1 2 3 4 5	6		7		Community service or volunteer work				



<u>To what extent does your institution</u>	on encou	urage e	each of			
following?	Very little	Some	Quite a bit	Very much	Very Some Quite little a bit	e Very much
Spending significant amounts of time studying and on academic work					Developing a personal code of values and ethics	
Providing the support you need to help you succeed academically					Contributing to the welfare of	
Encouraging contact among students from different economic, social and ethnic/national					In this academic year have you <u>seriously</u> considerable leaving your current institution? Mark all that a	
backgrounds					No, I have not considered a change	
Helping you cope with your non- academic responsibilities (e.g. work, family, etc.)					Yes, to improve career prospects  Yes, for convenience and practical reasons	
Providing the support you need to socialise					Yes, for financial reasons or to reduce study costs	
Attending campus events and					Yes, for personal and family reasons	
activities (e.g. special speakers, cultural performances, sporting	Ш				Yes, to obtain better quality education  Yes, to change to a different course in another	
events, etc.)					institution	
Using computers in academic work				_	Yes, for other reasons	_
Has your experience at this ins				_	What are your plans for next year? Mark all tha apply.	I
following areas?		Some	Quite	Very	Continue with current study	
following areas?	Very !		Quite		Continue with current study  Change to another institution	
	Very !		Quite	Very	Change to another institution  Change to another programme	
following areas?  Acquiring job-related or work-related	Very !		Quite	Very	Change to another institution  Change to another programme  Leave college before finishing your programme	
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following areas?  Acquiring job-related or work-related knowledge and skills  Writing clearly and effectively  Speaking clearly and effectively  Thinking critically and analytically	Very !		Quite	Very	Change to another institution  Change to another programme  Leave college before finishing your programme  Leave college having completed your programme	Dverall
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Overall, how would you evaluate your entire educational experience at your institution?	survey? Mark all that apply.
Poor Fair Good Excellent	Direct email  Survey Website  www.studentsurvey.ie
Overall, how dissatisfied or satisfied are you with	Social Media - Twitter
your programme of study?	Student Newsletter/e-zine
Very Dissatisfied Satisfied Very Dissatisfied Satisfied	Survey Posters
	Survey T Shirts
	Survey Pencils
10	Survey Mirror Stickers
If you could start all over again, would you go to the same institution?	Presentation from Staff member
Definitely no Probably no Probably yes Definitely Yes	Presentation from Students Union
The following questions	Word of mouth from fellow student
provide you with an opportunity to comment on your	Word of mouth from staff
overall academic experience at	member
your institution.	Other
What are the BEST ASPECTS of how your institution engages students in learning?	THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME IN COMPLETING THIS SURVEY
What could be done to IMPROVE how your institution engages students?	
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