

**NSSE findings** (to support the “Community Connections”)

| NSSE Survey Item  | 2002  |     |                   |                    |                  |                    |         | 2004 |                   |                    |                          |                         |         |     | 2005              |                    |                          |                         |         |
|---|-------|-----|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|---------|------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|-----|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|---------|
|   | Class | n   | Very Often<br>(4) | Often<br>(3)       | Sometimes<br>(2) | Never<br>(1)       | Average | n    | Very Often<br>(4) | Often<br>(3)       | Sometimes<br>(2)         | Never<br>(1)            | Average | n   | Very Often<br>(4) | Often<br>(3)       | Sometimes<br>(2)         | Never<br>(1)            | Average |
| Q1. In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following?                     |       |     |                   |                    |                  |                    |         |      |                   |                    |                          |                         |         |     |                   |                    |                          |                         |         |
| k. Participated in a community-based project (e.g., service learning) as part of a regular course   | FR    | 186 | 2.7%              | 5.9%               | 25.3%            | 66.1%              | 1.45    | 145  | 2.8%              | 5.5%               | 28.3%                    | 63.4%                   | 1.48    | 242 | .8%               | 7.0%               | 31.0%                    | 61.2%                   | 1.48    |
|   | SR    | 186 | 4.8%              | 9.7%               | 33.3%            | 52.2%              | 1.67    | 118  | 4.2%              | 10.2%              | 39.8%                    | 45.8%                   | 1.73    | 142 | 2.8%              | 9.9%               | 30.3%                    | 57.0%                   | 1.58    |
| Q7. Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate from your institution?  |       |     |                   | Yes<br>(3)         | No<br>(2)        | Undecided<br>(1)   | Average |      | Done<br>(4)       | Plan to do<br>(3)  | Do not plan to do<br>(2) | Have not decided<br>(1) | Average |     | Done<br>(4)       | Plan to do<br>(3)  | Do not plan to do<br>(2) | Have not decided<br>(1) | Average |
| a. Practicum, internship, field experience, co-op experience, or clinical assignment  | FR    | 184 |                   | 82.6%              | 2.7%             | 14.7%              | 2.68    | 144  | 4.2%              | 78.5%              | 6.9%                     | 10.4%                   | 2.76    | 237 | 4.2%              | 75.1%              | 3.4%                     | 17.3%                   | 2.66    |
|   | SR    | 185 |                   | 65.9%              | 24.3%            | 9.7%               | 2.56    | 116  | 56.0%             | 19.8%              | 17.2%                    | 6.9%                    | 3.25    | 139 | 34.5%             | 31.7%              | 23.7%                    | 10.1%                   | 2.91    |
| b. Community service or volunteer work  | FR    | 184 |                   | 56.0%              | 13.6%            | 30.4%              | 2.26    | 144  | 27.8%             | 46.5%              | 8.3%                     | 17.4%                   | 2.85    | 237 | 26.2%             | 42.6%              | 10.5%                    | 20.7%                   | 2.74    |
|   | SR    | 184 |                   | 48.4%              | 37.0%            | 14.7%              | 2.34    | 117  | 44.4%             | 23.9%              | 15.4%                    | 16.2%                   | 2.97    | 139 | 48.9%             | 14.4%              | 26.6%                    | 10.1%                   | 3.02    |
| Q11. To what extent has your experience at this institution contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas? |       |     | Very Much<br>(4)  | Quite a Bit<br>(3) | Some<br>(2)      | Very Little<br>(1) | Average |      | Very Much<br>(4)  | Quite a Bit<br>(3) | Some<br>(2)              | Very Little<br>(1)      | Average |     | Very Much<br>(4)  | Quite a Bit<br>(3) | Some<br>(2)              | Very Little<br>(1)      | Average |
| o. Contributing to the welfare of your community  | FR    | 183 | 10.4%             | 20.2%              | 36.6%            | 32.8%              | 2.08    | 141  | 6.4%              | 24.1%              | 44.0%                    | 25.5%                   | 2.11    | 232 | 7.8%              | 20.3%              | 42.7%                    | 29.3%                   | 2.06    |
|   | SR    | 185 | 16.8%             | 24.9%              | 31.4%            | 27.0%              | 2.31    | 116  | 10.3%             | 17.2%              | 43.1%                    | 29.3%                   | 2.09    | 138 | 11.6%             | 23.9%              | 31.9%                    | 32.6%                   | 2.14    |

Source: National Survey of Student Engagement for 2002, 2004 and 2005, Office of Institutional Research (October 31, 2006)