



The University of Texas at El Paso

Technical Specifications for the 2015 National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE)

Sampling Procedure

The NSSE was administered to all eligible first-year and senior students by the Center for Postsecondary Research at Indiana University. In 2015, UTEP participated in NSSE's "Email" mode of recruitment, and 2,570 first-year and 3,488 senior students were invited to participate in the NSSE.

Administration

As in all institutions, the NSSE is administered in the spring semester. Eligible UTEP students were sent email messages from the University's President inviting them to complete the NSSE instrument online. Email reminders were sent periodically throughout the semester to students who had not responded.

Response Rate

In 2015, the overall NSSE response rate by UTEP students was 18%. A total of 16% of first-year students and 19% of seniors completed the NSSE. For comparison, at institutions that are part of The University of Texas System, 19% of first-year students and 17% of seniors completed the NSSE. At other institutions that share UTEP's Basic Carnegie Classification of Doc RU-H (Doctoral Research Universities with High research activity), 18% of first-year students and 20% of seniors completed the NSSE.