



Marshall University

Respondent Characteristics

August 2012

	Marshall		Writing Consortium		Carnegie Class		NSSE 2012	
	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR	FY	SR
Response Rate^a								
Overall	22%		29%		25%		25%	
By class	16%	27%	25%	32%	22%	27%	23%	27%
NSSE sample size ^b	1,859	1,888	18,234	26,416	174,414	185,327	537,008	609,245
Sampling Error^c								
Overall	3.0%		0.7%		0.3%		0.2%	
By class	5.2%	3.7%	1.3%	0.9%	0.4%	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%
Number of respondents ^b	300	514	4,615	8,455	39,087	50,437	122,044	163,068
Total population	1,859	1,888	21,751	26,710	182,104	196,338	576,782	658,997
Student Characteristics^d								
Mode of Completion								
Paper	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%
Web	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	99%	99%	99%
Enrollment Status^e								
Full-time	99%	96%	96%	89%	94%	82%	95%	84%
Less than full-time	1%	4%	4%	11%	6%	18%	5%	16%
Gender^e								
Female	68%	67%	66%	58%	68%	67%	65%	63%
Male	32%	33%	34%	42%	32%	33%	35%	37%
Race/Ethnicity								
Am. Indian/Native American	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Asian/Asian Am./Pacific Isl.	1%	4%	8%	5%	5%	4%	7%	5%
Black/African American	5%	4%	9%	5%	10%	9%	10%	9%
White (non-Hispanic)	85%	83%	65%	77%	67%	68%	65%	68%
Mexican/Mexican American	0%	1%	2%	1%	3%	4%	3%	3%
Puerto Rican	0%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Other Hispanic or Latino	1%	0%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Multiracial	1%	2%	4%	2%	3%	3%	3%	3%
Other	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%
I prefer not to respond	4%	4%	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	6%
International Student	0%	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%	6%	5%
Place of Residence								
On-campus ^f	65%	10%	71%	13%	62%	14%	67%	16%
Transfer Status								
Transfer students	2%	34%	9%	37%	10%	48%	10%	44%
Age								
24 or older	4%	24%	4%	32%	10%	41%	8%	38%
Under 24	96%	76%	96%	68%	90%	59%	92%	62%

^a Response rate (number of respondents divided by sample size) is adjusted for non-deliverable addresses, students for whom contact information was not available, and other students who were sampled yet unavailable during the survey administration.

^b This report is based on information from all randomly selected or census-administered students for both your institution and your comparison institutions. Targeted and locally administered oversamples (i.e., non-randomly selected students) are not included in this report.

^c Sampling error is an estimate of the margin by which the true score for your institution on a given item could differ from the reported score. For example, if the sampling error is +/-5% and 60% of your students reply "very often" to a particular item, then the true population value is most likely between 55% and 65%.

^d Percent of total respondents within each category. These results are *not* weighted.

^e Institution-reported data. This information was used to weight your Mean Comparisons, Frequency Distributions, and Benchmark Comparisons reports.

^f Students who identified their residence as "dormitory or other campus housing" or "fraternity or sorority house."