

Research & Analysis

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THE ENTERING STUDENT EXPERIENCE: RESULTS OF THE 2007 CCSSE ADMINISTRATION

CCSSE has established a regular feature that allows participating colleges and national researchers to delve more deeply into areas of student experience and institutional performance that are key to student success. The five 2007 ‘special focus questions’ elicited information about students’ educational experiences during their earliest weeks of college. The table below displays the scores of Hillsborough Community College respondents in comparison with respondents from colleges participating in Achieving the Dream, and that of the national cohort.

	2007 HCC (n=735)	2007 ATD (n=18,800)	2007 Nation (n=141,773)
By the end of my FIRST FOUR WEEKS at this college, I had met with an advisor to discuss my educational goals.			
Yes	41%	41%	43%
No, I met with an advisor by the end of my first four weeks at this college, but we did not discuss my educational goals	7%	7%	7%
No, I did not meet with an advisor by the end of my first four weeks at this college	29%	26%	28%
No, I have discussed educational goals with an advisor, but it did not happen by the end of my first four weeks at this college	14%	12%	13%
I do not recall	8%	9%	9%
By the end of my FIRST FOUR WEEKS at this college, I had completed an initial assessment test to determine which reading, writing, and math courses I should enroll in.			
Yes	56%	56%	56%
No	39%	35%	36%
I do not recall	5%	8%	9%
How satisfied were you with the quality of your college’s orientation course or program for new students?			
Very Satisfied	22%	24%	24%
Somewhat Satisfied	44%	39%	36%
Not at all Satisfied	11%	8%	7%
Have not attended an orientation course or program	24%	28%	32%

By the end of my FIRST FOUR WEEKS at this college, my instructors had used teaching techniques that encouraged me to become actively involved in the classroom.			
Very often	26%	30%	32%
Often	30%	30%	31%
Sometimes	29%	28%	27%
Never	9%	6%	6%
I do not recall	6%	6%	5%
Rate your overall satisfaction with this college's processes for working with new students- including the admissions process, the financial aid office, new student assessment, your first class registration experience, etc.			
Very Satisfied	21%	32%	35%
Somewhat Satisfied	52%	51%	50%
Somewhat Dissatisfied	18%	13%	12%
Very Dissatisfied	9%	4%	4%

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