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Item 4: In your experiences at this college during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following?					
1 = Never, 2 = Sometimes, 3 = Often, 4 = Very often					
4a. Asked questions in class or contributed to class discussions [ACTCOLL]	CLQUEST	283,491	2.80	158,311	3.14
4b. Made a class presentation [ACTCOLL]	CLPRESEN	282,539	2.16	157,523	2.05
4c. Prepared two or more drafts of a paper or assignment before turning it in [STUEFF]	REWROPAP	281,372	2.52	157,084	2.52
4d. Worked on a paper or project that required integrating ideas or information from various sources [STUEFF]	INTEGRAT	281,905	2.83	157,055	2.73
4e. Came to class without completing readings or assignments [STUEFF]	CLUNPREP	281,174	1.92	156,802	1.67
4f. Worked with other students on projects during class [ACTCOLL]	CLASSGRP	280,869	2.51	156,479	2.51
4g. Worked with classmates outside of class to prepare class assignments [ACTCOLL]	OCCGRP	281,617	1.95	157,100	1.88
4h. Tutored or taught other students (paid or voluntary) [ACTCOLL]	TUTOR	282,259	1.39	157,415	1.38
4i. Participated in a community-based project as a part of a regular course [ACTCOLL]	COMMPROJ	281,051	1.34	156,579	1.30
4j. Used the Internet or instant messaging to work on an assignment	INTERNET	280,940	3.00	156,753	3.03
4k. Used e-mail to communicate with an instructor [STUFAC]	EMAIL	281,426	2.85	157,091	2.77
4l. Discussed grades or assignments with an instructor [STUFAC]	FACGRADE	281,831	2.58	157,169	2.60
4m. Talked about career plans with an instructor or advisor [STUFAC]	FACPLANS	281,385	2.08	156,731	2.08
4n. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with instructors outside of class [STUFAC]	FACIDEAS	280,667	1.76	156,678	1.78
4o. Received prompt feedback (written or oral) from instructors on your performance [STUFAC]	FACFEED	281,247	2.65	156,962	2.77

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4p. Worked harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations [ACCHALL]	WORKHARD	281,723	2.57	156,911	2.67
4q. Worked with instructors on activities other than coursework [STUFAC]	FACOTH	279,276	1.47	155,829	1.38
4r. Discussed ideas from your readings or classes with others outside of class (students, family members, co-workers, etc.) [ACTCOLL]	OOCIDEAS	282,151	2.52	157,520	2.64
4s. Had serious conversations with students of a different race or ethnicity other than your own	DIVRSTUD	281,961	2.46	157,270	2.36
4t. Had serious conversations with students who differ from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values	DIFFSTUD	281,678	2.42	156,965	2.25
4u. Skipped class	SKIPCLAS	282,638	1.67	157,514	1.35
Item 5: During the current school year, how much has your coursework at this college emphasized the following mental activities?					
1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much					
5a. Memorizing facts, ideas, or methods from your courses and readings so you can repeat them in pretty much the same form	MEMORIZE	283,006	2.85	157,984	2.89
5b. Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory [ACCHALL]	ANALYZE	282,180	2.86	157,471	2.97
5c. Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences in new ways [ACCHALL]	SYNTHESZ	280,842	2.74	156,933	2.82
5d. Making judgments about the value or soundness of information, arguments, or methods [ACCHALL]	EVALUATE	281,402	2.61	156,831	2.60
5e. Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations [ACCHALL]	APPLYING	281,718	2.68	157,318	2.75
5f. Using information you have read or heard to perform a new skill [ACCHALL]	PERFORM	282,714	2.80	157,843	2.87

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Item 6: During the current school year, about how much reading and writing have you done at this college?					
1 = None, 2 = Between 1 and 4, 3 = Between 5 and 10, 4 = Between 11 and 20, 5 = More than 20					
6a. Number of assigned textbooks, manuals, books, or book-length packs of course readings [ACCHALL]	READASGN	281,233	2.91	156,531	2.91
6b. Number of books read on your own (not assigned) for personal enjoyment or academic enrichment [STUEFF]	READOWN	281,258	2.05	156,585	2.16
6c. Number of written papers or reports of any length [ACCHALL]	WRITEANY	281,088	2.98	156,447	2.78
Item 7					
1 = Extremely easy ... 7 = Extremely challenging					
7. Mark the response that best represents the extent to which your examinations during the current school year have challenged you to do your best work at this college [ACCHALL]	EXAMS	272,643	4.80	149,004	5.27
Item 9: How much does this college emphasize each of the following?					
1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much					
9a. Encouraging you to spend significant amounts of time studying [ACCHALL]	ENVSCHOL	281,380	2.95	156,649	3.13
9b. Providing the support you need to help you succeed at this college [SUPPORT]	ENVSUPRT	280,915	2.97	156,462	3.04
9c. Encouraging contact among students from different economic, social, and racial or ethnic backgrounds [SUPPORT]	ENVDIVRS	280,262	2.57	155,578	2.53
9d. Helping you cope with your non-academic responsibilities (work, family, etc.) [SUPPORT]	ENVNACAD	280,356	2.01	155,507	1.91
9e. Providing the support you need to thrive socially [SUPPORT]	ENVSOCAL	279,324	2.24	154,549	2.11
9f. Providing the financial support you need to afford your education [SUPPORT]	FINSUPP	279,674	2.58	155,185	2.54
9g. Using computers in academic work	ENVCOMP	281,053	3.20	156,374	3.21

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Item 10: About how many hours do you spend in a typical 7-day week doing each of the following?					
0 = None, 1 = 1-5 hours, 2 = 6-10 hours, 3 = 11-20 hours, 4 = 21-30 hours, 5 = More than 30 hours					
10a. Preparing for class (studying, reading, writing, rehearsing, doing homework, or other activities related to your program) [STUEFF]	ACADPR01	280,830	1.84	156,519	2.28
10b. Working for pay	PAYWORK	280,039	2.70	155,814	2.89
10c. Participating in college-sponsored activities (organizations, campus publications, student government, intercollegiate or intramural sports, etc.)	COCURR01	280,268	0.35	156,079	0.20
10d. Providing care for dependents living with you (parents, children, spouse, etc.)	CAREDE01	279,477	1.19	155,716	2.74
10e. Commuting to and from classes	COMMUTE	279,914	1.33	156,066	1.38
Item 11: Mark the number that best represents the quality of your relationships with people at this college.					
1 = Unfriendly, unsupportive, sense of alienation ... 7 = Friendly, supportive, sense of belonging					
11a. Other students	ENVSTU	281,337	5.39	156,583	5.64
11b. Instructors	ENVFAC	281,357	5.56	156,632	5.86
11c. Administrative personnel and offices	ENVADM	280,911	4.85	156,273	5.15
Item 12: How much has your experience at this college contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in the following areas?					
1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much					
12a. Acquiring a broad general education	NGENLED	280,229	2.99	156,097	2.98
12b. Acquiring job or work-related knowledge and skills	GNWORK	279,859	2.50	155,648	2.70
12c. Writing clearly and effectively	GNWRITE	280,011	2.78	155,896	2.75
12d. Speaking clearly and effectively	GNSPEAK	279,918	2.69	155,737	2.66
12e. Thinking critically and analytically	GNANALY	279,809	2.92	155,779	2.97

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12f. Solving numerical problems	GNSOLVE	279,669	2.66	155,502	2.68
12g. Using computing and information technology	GNCMPTS	279,633	2.77	155,681	2.83
12h. Working effectively with others	GNOTHERS	279,867	2.78	155,786	2.79
12i. Learning effectively on your own	GNINQ	279,777	2.93	155,896	2.99
12j. Understanding yourself	GNSSELF	279,485	2.66	155,559	2.66
12k. Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds	GNDIVERS	279,135	2.47	155,223	2.38
12l. Developing a personal code of values and ethics	GNETHICS	279,161	2.44	155,227	2.42
12m. Contributing to the welfare of your community	GNCOMMUN	278,545	2.04	154,891	2.09
12n. Developing clearer career goals	CARGOAL	279,630	2.71	155,636	2.71
12o. Gaining information about career opportunities	GAINCAR	280,026	2.60	155,917	2.55
Item 13.1: How often do you use the following services at this college?					
1 = Rarely/Never, 2 = Sometimes, 3 = Often (Don't know/N.A. category not included in means calculations)					
13.1a. Academic advising/planning [SUPPORT]	USEACAD	257,010	1.78	144,385	1.80
13.1b. Career counseling [SUPPORT]	USECACOU	222,566	1.42	123,542	1.45
13.1c. Job placement assistance	USEJOBPL	170,626	1.25	86,190	1.22
13.1d. Peer or other tutoring [STUEFF]	USETUTOR	209,248	1.45	115,281	1.55

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13.1e. Skill labs (writing, math, etc.) [STUEFF]	USELAB	219,319	1.73	118,879	1.75
13.1f. Child care	USECHLD	125,577	1.18	61,440	1.17
13.1g. Financial aid advising	USEFAADV	225,121	1.86	128,991	1.93
13.1h. Computer lab [STUEFF]	USECOMLB	246,362	2.11	132,947	2.05
13.1i. Student organizations	USESTORG	187,076	1.40	91,314	1.31
13.1j. Transfer credit assistance	USETRCRD	188,471	1.54	93,052	1.51
13.1k. Services to students with disabilities	USEDISAB	126,871	1.30	59,284	1.30
Item 13.2: How satisfied are you with the following services at this college?					
1 = Not at all, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Very (N.A. category not included in means calculations)					
13.2a. Academic advising/planning	SATACAD	230,603	2.20	128,354	2.27
13.2b. Career counseling	SATCACOU	161,295	2.03	88,668	2.08
13.2c. Job placement assistance	SATJOBPL	107,316	1.82	52,130	1.80
13.2d. Peer or other tutoring	SATTUTOR	143,857	2.15	80,123	2.24
13.2e. Skill labs (writing, math, etc.)	SATLAB	165,253	2.25	88,057	2.33
13.2f. Child care	SATCHLD	62,358	1.80	29,053	1.75
13.2g. Financial aid advising	SATFAADV	189,846	2.20	111,506	2.29

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13.2h. Computer lab	SATCOMLB	219,288	2.49	114,437	2.51
13.2i. Student organizations	SATSTORG	124,253	2.02	55,474	1.98
13.2j. Transfer credit assistance	SATTRCRD	139,295	2.06	67,455	2.09
13.2k. Services to students with disabilities	SATDISAB	74,983	2.05	34,302	2.03
Item 13.3: How important are the following services to you at this college?					
1 = Not at all, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Very					
13.3a. Academic advising/planning	IMPACAD	268,398	2.55	148,534	2.58
13.3b. Career counseling	IMPCACOU	264,977	2.32	146,200	2.33
13.3c. Job placement assistance	IMPJOBPL	261,864	2.08	143,875	2.11
13.3d. Peer or other tutoring	IMPTUTOR	261,812	2.13	144,187	2.19
13.3e. Skill labs (writing, math, etc.)	IMPLAB	260,837	2.22	143,610	2.25
13.3f. Child care	IMPCHLD	258,933	1.74	142,451	1.75
13.3g. Financial aid advising	IMPFAADV	261,722	2.46	145,165	2.50
13.3h. Computer lab	IMPCOMLB	262,622	2.46	145,201	2.45
13.3i. Student organizations	IMPSTORG	258,379	1.91	142,577	1.80
13.3j. Transfer credit assistance	IMPTRCRD	261,264	2.28	144,160	2.19

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Item 13.3: How important are the following services to you at this college?					
1 = Not at all, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Very					
13.3k. Services to students with disabilities	IMPDISAB	260,096	2.07	143,646	2.03
Item 14: How likely is it that the following issues would cause you to withdraw from class or from this college?					
1 = Not likely, 2 = Somewhat likely, 3 = Likely, 4 = Very likely					
14a. Working full-time	WRKFULL	280,344	2.20	156,278	2.21
14b. Caring for dependents	CAREDEP	279,593	1.86	155,898	2.02
14c. Academically unprepared	ACADUNP	278,918	1.74	155,192	1.59
14d. Lack of finances	LACKFIN	279,429	2.44	155,961	2.60
14e. Transfer to a 4-year college or university	TRANSFER	279,999	2.64	155,723	2.15
Item 15					
1 = Not very, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Extremely					
15. How supportive are your friends of your attending this college?	FRNDSUPP	280,873	3.15	156,653	3.38
Item 16					
1 = Not very, 2 = Somewhat, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Extremely					
16. How supportive is your immediate family of your attending this college?	FAMSUPP	280,239	3.48	156,276	3.54
Item 23					
0 = None, 1 = 1-14 credits, 2 = 15-29 credits, 3 = 30-44 credits, 4 = 45-60 credits, 5 = Over 60 credits					
23. How many total credit hours have you earned at this college, not counting the courses you are currently taking this term?	TOTCHRS	279,322	1.97	155,807	2.22

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Item 25					
1 = None, 2 = 1 class, 3 = 2 classes, 4 = 3 classes, 5 = 4 classes or more credits					
25. How many classes are you presently taking at other institutions?	OTHINST	282,944	1.44	158,163	1.33
Item 27					
1 = Poor, 2 = Fair, 3 = Good, 4 = Excellent					
27. How would you evaluate your entire educational experience at this college?	ENTIREXP	283,186	3.04	158,263	3.28