

**Community College Survey of Student Engagement - 2018 Cohort  
2018 Benchmark Frequency Distributions - Main Survey**

[Weighted]  
Academic Challenge (ACCHALL)

|   |           |              | 2018 Cohort |         |
|---|-----------|--------------|-------------|---------|
| Item  | Variable  | Responses    | Count       | Percent |
| <b>Item 4: In your experiences at this college during the current academic year, about how often have you done each of the following?</b> |           |              |             |         |
| 4a. Worked harder than you thought you could to meet an instructor's standards or expectations [ACCHALL]                                  | WORKHARD  | Never        | 28,233      | 9.4     |
|   |           | Sometimes    | 109,021     | 36.4    |
|   |           | Often        | 105,830     | 35.3    |
|   |           | Very often   | 56,812      | 18.9    |
|   |           | Total        | 299,896     | 100.0   |
| <b>Item 5: During the current academic year, how much has your coursework at this college emphasized the following mental activities?</b> |           |              |             |         |
| 5b. Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory [ACCHALL]  | ANALYZE   | Very little  | 12,957      | 4.3     |
|   |           | Some         | 77,732      | 25.9    |
|   |           | Quite a bit  | 129,847     | 43.3    |
|   |           | Very much    | 79,645      | 26.5    |
|   |           | Total        | 300,181     | 100.0   |
| 5c. Forming a new idea or understanding from various pieces of information [ACCHALL]  | NEWIDEAS  | Very little  | 15,525      | 5.2     |
|   |           | Some         | 81,338      | 27.2    |
|   |           | Quite a bit  | 123,322     | 41.3    |
|   |           | Very much    | 78,596      | 26.3    |
|   |           | Total        | 298,780     | 100.0   |
| 5d. Making judgements about the value or soundness of information, arguments, or methods [ACCHALL]  | EVALUATE  | Very little  | 32,384      | 10.8    |
|   |           | Some         | 99,186      | 33.1    |
|   |           | Quite a bit  | 106,040     | 35.4    |
|   |           | Very much    | 62,145      | 20.7    |
|   |           | Total        | 299,754     | 100.0   |
| 5e. Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations [ACCHALL]  | APPLYING  | Very little  | 26,328      | 8.8     |
|   |           | Some         | 91,975      | 30.6    |
|   |           | Quite a bit  | 109,028     | 36.3    |
|   |           | Very much    | 72,786      | 24.3    |
|   |           | Total        | 300,116     | 100.0   |
| 5f. Using information you have read or heard to perform a new skill [ACCHALL]   | PERFORM   | Very little  | 22,775      | 7.6     |
|   |           | Some         | 79,697      | 26.5    |
|   |           | Quite a bit  | 108,918     | 36.2    |
|   |           | Very much    | 89,666      | 29.8    |
|   |           | Total        | 301,055     | 100.0   |
| <b>Item 6: During the current academic year, how much reading and writing have you done at this college?</b>                              |           |              |             |         |
| 6a. Number of assigned textbooks, manuals, books, or packets of course readings [ACCHALL]   | ASSIGREAD | None         | 7,532       | 2.5     |
|   |           | 1-4          | 108,238     | 36.5    |
|   |           | 5-10         | 87,063      | 29.4    |
|   |           | 11-20        | 49,553      | 16.7    |
|   |           | More than 20 | 43,867      | 14.8    |
|   |           | Total        | 296,253     | 100.0   |

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| 6c. Number of written papers or reports of any length [ACCHALL]   | NUMPAPRRPTS | None                  | 30,869         | 10.4         |
|   |             | 1-4                   | 95,001         | 31.9         |
|   |             | 5-10                  | 93,971         | 31.6         |
|   |             | 11-20                 | 50,408         | 16.9         |
|   |             | More than 20          | 27,258         | 9.2          |
|   |             | <b>Total</b>          | <b>297,506</b> | <b>100.0</b> |
| <b>Item 7</b>   |             |                       |                |              |
| 7. Mark the response that best represents the extent to which your examinations during the current academic year have challenged you to do your best work at this college [ACCHALL] | CHALNGXAM   | Extremely easy        | 2,697          | 1.0          |
|   |             | (2)                   | 5,898          | 2.1          |
|   |             | (3)                   | 18,759         | 6.6          |
|   |             | (4)                   | 73,997         | 26.1         |
|   |             | (5)                   | 97,537         | 34.5         |
|   |             | (6)                   | 57,441         | 20.3         |
|   |             | Extremely challenging | 26,777         | 9.5          |
|   |             | <b>Total</b>          | <b>283,107</b> | <b>100.0</b> |
| <b>Item 9: How much does this college emphasize the following?</b>  |             |                       |                |              |
| 9a. Encouraging you to spend significant amounts of time studying [ACCHALL]   | ENVSCHOL    | Very little           | 11,110         | 3.7          |
|   |             | Some                  | 63,654         | 21.3         |
|   |             | Quite a bit           | 127,070        | 42.6         |
|   |             | Very much             | 96,604         | 32.4         |
|   |             | <b>Total</b>          | <b>298,438</b> | <b>100.0</b> |