

Evidence of Student Learning in RU Thematic Areas #1 thru #7 [Strategic Direction 2]

Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

#1 LEADERSHIP: The commitment to develop the gifts and talents of self and others to make a positive difference in the world.

NSSE Question 11k: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Understanding yourself?*

NSSE Question Jes1f: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Defining your own values and beliefs?*

NSSE Question 11h: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Working effectively with others?*

NSSE Question Jes1c: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Leading by example?*

NSSE Question 11o: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Contributing to the welfare of your community?*

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NSSE Question 11k: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Understanding yourself?*

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	9%	24%	40%	27%	2.84	RU in 2006 N= 74	11%	21%	29%	39%	2.96
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	11%	27%	36%	26%	2.76	RU in 2007 N= 105	11%	18%	35%	36%	2.97
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	9%	33%	36%	23%	2.72	RU in 2008 N= 99	5%	28%	32%	34%	2.95
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,696 [172 Sch]	11%	26%	36%	27%	2.79	2008 Masters N=52,947	13%	25%	33%	29%	2.78
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,753 [15 Sch]	8%	25%	37%	31%	2.90*	2008 Jesuits N= 4,920	7%	21%	35%	37%	3.02
Analysis:											

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Theme #1 [Leadership] – Continued

NSSE Question Jes1f: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, & personal development in Defining your own values and beliefs?</i>												
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses						
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean	
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	6%	20%	41%	34%	3.02	RU in 2006 N= 74	8%	14%	38%	40%	3.10	
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 139	7%	30%	30%	35%	2.92	RU in 2007 N= 102	10%	18%	35%	37%	3.00	
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 120	9%	24%	31%	37%	2.95	RU in 2008 N= 90	6%	22%	34%	38%	3.06	
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA						
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,733 [15 Sch]	8%	20%	35%	37%	3.02	2008 Jesuits N= 4,764	7%	19%	35%	39%	3.06	
Analysis:												

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NSSE Question 11h: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, & personal development in Working effectively with others?</i>												
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses						
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean	
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	2%	20%	37%	41%	3.17	RU in 2006 N= 74	0%	10%	33%	57%	3.47	
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 158	1%	18%	46%	35%	3.15	RU in 2007 N= 105	1%	12%	33%	53%	3.39	
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	2%	25%	35%	38%	3.07	RU in 2008 N= 97	0%	18%	35%	47%	3.30	
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						
2008 Masters Univ. N= 41,481 [172 Sch]	5%	23%	39%	32%	2.98	2008 Masters N= 53,505	4%	18%	36%	42%	3.17	
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,805 [15 Sch]	4%	21%	40%	35%	3.07	2008 Jesuits N= 4,967	2%	15%	34%	49%	3.29	
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Theme #1 [Leadership] – Continued

NSSE Question Jes1c: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, & personal development in Leading by example?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	3%	14%	53%	30%	3.11	RU in 2006 N= 74	8%	19%	35%	38%	3.03
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 137	4%	23%	37%	36%	3.05	RU in 2007 N= 102	7%	19%	30%	44%	3.12
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 120	5%	19%	34%	42%	3.14	RU in 2008 N= 90	2%	18%	39%	41%	3.18
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA					
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,727 [15 Sch]	7%	22%	37%	34%	2.97*	2008 Jesuits N= 4,764	6%	20%	36%	37%	3.04
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question 11o: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Contributing to the welfare of your community?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	6%	21%	40%	33%	2.99	RU in 2006 N= 74	11%	14%	32%	43%	3.07
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	3%	27%	33%	37%	3.03	RU in 2007 N= 105	10%	17%	37%	36%	3.00
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	9%	20%	40%	32%	2.94	RU in 2008 N= 99	4%	25%	34%	36%	3.02
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,706 [172 Sch]	20%	35%	29%	16%	2.41***	2008 Masters N= 52,913	22%	33%	27%	19%	2.44***
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,761 [15 Sch]	9%	26%	36%	28%	2.83	2008 Jesuits N= 4,919	9%	24%	34%	33%	2.90
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#2 COMMUNICATION: The ability to communicate effectively in a variety of contexts and with awareness of purpose and audience.

NSSE Question 11c: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Writing clearly and effectively.*

NSSE Question 11d: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Speaking clearly and effectively.*

NSSE Question 6e: *During the current school year, about how often have you Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective.*

NSSE Question 11c: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills, and personal development in Writing clearly and effectively?*

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	6%	12%	46%	36%	3.11	RU in 2006 N= 72	4%	22%	24%	50%	3.19
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 158	3%	15%	50%	32%	3.10	RU in 2007 N= 105	1%	18%	43%	38%	3.18
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	4%	21%	42%	33%	3.03	RU in 2008 N= 98	1%	18%	39%	42%	3.23
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 41,510 [172 Sch]	4%	22%	42%	32%	3.02	2008 Masters N= 53,557	4%	19%	38%	38%	3.11
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,801 [15 Sch]	4%	17%	39%	40%	3.15	2008 Jesuits N= 4,973	2%	14%	37%	47%	3.28

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Theme #2 [Communication] – Continued

NSSE Question 11d: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Speaking clearly and effectively?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	8%	26%	45%	22%	2.81	RU in 2006 N= 72	4%	28%	29%	39%	3.03
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 158	4%	25%	44%	26%	2.92	RU in 2007 N= 105	1%	24%	34%	41%	3.15
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 128	7%	27%	38%	28%	2.87	RU in 2008 N= 97	2%	27%	30%	41%	3.09
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 41,485 [172 Sch]	7%	25%	40%	28%	2.89	2008 Masters N= 53,528	6%	22%	38%	35%	3.02
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,799 [15 Sch]	7%	24%	38%	31%	2.92	2008 Jesuits N= 4,965	4%	19%	37%	41%	3.14
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question 6e: <i>During the current school year, about how often have you Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Never	Sometimes	Often	Very Often	Mean		Never	Sometimes	Often	Very Often	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 138	2%	33%	46%	19%	2.82	RU in 2006 N= 72	1%	31%	43%	25%	2.92
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 167	2%	43%	37%	18%	2.71	RU in 2007 N= 108	1%	36%	39%	24%	2.86
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 143	6%	40%	39%	14%	2.61	RU in 2008 N= 106	3%	29%	51%	18%	2.83
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,213 [172 Sch]	7%	34%	38%	21%	2.74	2008 Masters N= 55,768	5%	31%	40%	24%	2.82
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,021 [15 Sch]	5%	33%	41%	22%	2.79*	2008 Jesuits N= 5,121	4%	28%	42%	26%	2.91
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#3 INTERNATIONAL AND CULTURAL UNDERSTANDING: The appreciation of cultural differences and commonalities, and the ability to interact with sensitivity and alertness as citizens of the world.

NSSE Question 1v: *In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done the following?* **Had serious conversations with student who are very different from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values.**

NSSE Question 6e: *During the current school year, about how often have you* **Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective.**

NSSE Question 11l: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in* **Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds.**

NSSE Question Jes1d: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in* **Increasing your awareness of the relationship between global and local issues.**

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NSSE Question 1v: *In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done the following?* **Had serious conversations with student who are very different from you in terms of their religious beliefs, political opinions, or personal values?**

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Never	Sometimes	Often	Very Often	Mean		Never	Sometimes	Often	Very Often	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	8%	30%	33%	30%	2.84	RU in 2006 N= 74	8%	38%	24%	31%	2.76
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 172	8%	36%	35%	22%	2.72	RU in 2007 N= 111	8%	39%	26%	27%	2.72
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 147	9%	45%	23%	22%	2.58	RU in 2008 N= 112	4%	39%	36%	21%	2.75
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 45,239 [172 Sch]	12%	33%	29%	25%	2.67	2008 Masters N= 56,732	11%	34%	29%	25%	2.69
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,102 [15 Sch]	8%	31%	32%	29%	2.83**	2008 Jesuits N= 5,201	7%	31%	32%	30%	2.86

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Theme #3 [International and Cultural Understanding] – Continued

NSSE Question 6e: <i>During the current school year, about how often have you Tried to better understand someone else's views by imagining how an issue looks from his or her perspective?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Never	Some-times	Often	Very Often	Mean		Never	Some-times	Often	Very Often	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	18%	33%	21%	27%	2.82	RU in 2006 N= 74	1%	31%	43%	25%	2.92
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 167	2%	43%	37%	18%	2.71	RU in 2007 N= 108	1%	36%	39%	24%	2.86
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 143	6%	40%	39%	14%	2.61	RU in 2008 N= 106	3%	29%	51%	18%	2.83
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,213 [172 Sch]	7%	34%	38%	21%	2.74	2008 Masters N= 55,768	5%	31%	40%	24%	2.82
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,021 [15 Sch]	5%	33%	41%	22%	2.79*	2008 Jesuits N= 5,121	4%	28%	42%	26%	2.91
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question 11i: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Understanding people of other racial and ethnic backgrounds?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	14%	33%	35%	18%	2.57	RU in 2006 N= 74	19%	33%	25%	22%	2.50
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	17%	40%	29%	14%	2.38	RU in 2007 N= 105	31%	25%	21%	23%	2.35
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 128	22%	38%	27%	14%	2.33	RU in 2008 N= 99	9%	38%	33%	20%	2.64
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,696 [172 Sch]	12%	31%	34%	23%	2.68***	2008 Masters N= 59,926	14%	31%	31%	24%	2.66
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,758 [15 Sch]	10%	29%	35%	26%	2.78***	2008 Jesuits N= 4,918	11%	27%	33%	29%	2.81
Analysis:											

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Theme #3 [International and Cultural Understanding] – Continued

NSSE Question Jes1d: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in increasing your awareness of the relationship between global and local issues?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 143	10%	30%	41%	20%	2.70	RU in 2006 N= 74	13%	23%	28%	36%	2.88
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 139	8%	36%	35%	22%	2.70	RU in 2007 N= 102	8%	29%	30%	32%	2.87
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 120	9%	35%	31%	26%	2.74	RU in 2008 N= 90	4%	27%	41%	27%	2.91
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA					
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,730 [15 Sch]	8%	24%	37%	32%	2.93*	2008 Jesuits N= 4,754	8%	23%	36%	34%	2.96
Analysis:											

Asterisks next to Masters or Jesuit means reflect the statistical significance of the difference between that mean and the RU mean ($p < .05$, $p < .01$, & $p < .001$). The more asterisks, the lower the likelihood that a difference is due to chance.

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#4 CRITICAL AND CREATIVE THINKING: The ability to search for knowledge, investigate questions, and apply information in a systematic, discerning, and innovative manner.

NSSE Question 2b: *During the current year, how much has your coursework emphasized **Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory**, such as examining a particular case or situation in depth and considering its components.*

NSSE Question 2c: *During the current year, how much has your coursework emphasized **Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships**. [also Theme #6]*

NSSE Question 2d: *During the current year, how much has your coursework emphasized **Making judgments about the value of information, arguments, or methods**, such as examining how others gathered and interpreted data and assessing the soundness of their conclusions.*

NSSE Question 2e: *During the current year, how much has your coursework emphasized **Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations**.*

NSSE Question 11e: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Thinking critically and analytically**.*

NSSE Question 11m: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Solving complex real-world problems**. [also Theme #6]*

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NSSE Question 2b: *During the current year, how much has your coursework emphasized **Analyzing the basic elements of an idea, experience, or theory**, such as examining a particular case or situation in depth and considering its components?*

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 139	1%	17%	48%	34%	3.14	RU in 2006 N= 73	1%	12%	40%	47%	3.32
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 170	1%	18%	50%	31%	3.12	RU in 2007 N= 109	1%	10%	45%	44%	3.32
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 146	0%	17%	48%	35%	3.18	RU in 2008 N= 110	1%	11%	41%	47%	3.34
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,796 [172 Sch]	2%	20%	46%	31%	3.06	2008 Masters N= 56,350	1%	15%	43%	40%	3.22
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,066 [15 Sch]	1%	13%	45%	41%	3.26	2008 Jesuits N= 5,182	1%	9%	42%	48%	3.37
Analysis:											

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Theme #4 [Critical and Creative Thinking] – Continued

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 139	2%	26%	52%	20%	2.90	RU in 2006 N= 73	1%	16%	38%	44%	3.25
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 170	2%	26%	47%	25%	2.94	RU in 2007 N= 109	0%	22%	45%	33%	3.11
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 146	3%	27%	41%	29%	2.96	RU in 2008 N= 110	1%	17%	47%	35%	3.16
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,690 [172 Sch]	5%	29%	42%	24%	2.85	2008 Masters N= 56,208	3%	22%	42%	32%	3.03
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,057 [15 Sch]	2%	22%	43%	32%	3.05	2008 Jesuits N= 5,178	2%	16%	41%	41%	3.21
Analysis:											

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First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 139	7%	18%	55%	21%	2.90	RU in 2006 N= 73	6%	25%	36%	34%	2.99
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 170	2%	20%	51%	27%	3.02	RU in 2007 N= 109	2%	17%	46%	36%	3.16
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 145	4%	19%	46%	31%	3.04	RU in 2008 N= 110	5%	17%	43%	35%	3.09
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,746 [172 Sch]	5%	26%	42%	26%	2.90*	2008 Masters N= 56,322	5%	23%	40%	32%	3.00
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,062 [15 Sch]	3%	24%	43%	30%	2.99	2008 Jesuits N= 5,179	3%	18%	41%	38%	3.15
Analysis:											

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Theme #4 [Critical and Creative Thinking] – Continued

NSSE Question 2e. <i>During the current year, how much has your coursework emphasized Applying theories or concepts to practical problems or in new situations?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 139	6%	18%	43%	33%	3.04	RU in 2006 N= 73	1%	14%	34%	51%	3.34
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 170	1%	24%	45%	31%	3.06	RU in 2007 N= 109	0%	19%	29%	51%	3.32
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 146	4%	17%	47%	32%	3.06	RU in 2008 N= 110	2%	12%	45%	42%	3.26
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,766 [172 Sch]	4%	24%	41%	31%	2.99	2008 Masters N= 56,329	3%	18%	38%	41%	3.18
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,060 [15 Sch]	2%	19%	40%	39%	3.15	2008 Jesuits N= 5,183	2%	14%	36%	48%	3.31
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question 11e: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Thinking critically and analytically?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	2%	8%	46%	44%	3.32	RU in 2006 N= 72	1%	10%	19%	69%	3.57
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 158	2%	11%	42%	46%	3.31	RU in 2007 N= 105	0%	5%	32%	63%	3.58
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	0%	18%	35%	47%	3.30	RU in 2008 N= 98	1%	9%	34%	56%	3.44
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 41,476 [172 Sch]	2%	16%	43%	38%	3.17	2008 Masters N= 53,527	2%	12%	37%	48%	3.31
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,801 [15 Sch]	2%	12%	38%	48%	3.32	2008 Jesuits N= 4,964	1%	7%	32%	59%	3.50
Analysis:											

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Theme #4 [Critical and Creative Thinking] – Continued

NSSE Question 11m. <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Solving complex real-world problems?</i> [also Theme #6]												
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses						
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean	
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	9%	30%	37%	24%	2.75	RU in 2006 N= 72	13%	24%	32%	32%	2.83	
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	8%	36%	37%	19%	2.68	RU in 2007 N= 105	11%	24%	38%	27%	2.80	
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 128	13%	36%	34%	16%	2.53	RU in 2008 N= 99	3%	39%	29%	29%	2.84	
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,705 [172 Sch]	11%	32%	36%	21%	2.66	2008 Masters N= 52,927	11%	29%	35%	25%	2.75	
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,748 [15 Sch]	8%	30%	37%	24%	2.77**	2008 Jesuits N= 4,918	8%	25%	37%	30%	2.90	
Analysis:												

Asterisks next to Masters or Jesuit means reflect the statistical significance of the difference between that mean and the RU mean ($p < .05$, $p < .01$, & $p < .001$). The more asterisks, the lower the likelihood that a difference is due to chance.

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Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

#5 ETHICS AND SOCIAL JUSTICE: The commitment to create a more just world and to live with integrity, humility, tolerance, and empathy.

NSSE Question 11n: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Developing a personal code of values and ethics.***

NSSE Question Jes1j: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Making ethical decisions in personal situations.***

NSSE Question Jes1k: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Making ethical decisions in professional situations.***

NSSE Question Jes1e: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Actively working to further social justice.***

NSSE Question Jes1i. *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in the **Ability to look critically at society and its institutions.***

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NSSE Question 11n: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Developing a personal code of values and ethics?***

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	7%	26%	39%	28%	2.89	RU in 2006 N= 72	7%	24%	21%	49%	3.11
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	10%	28%	31%	31%	2.83	RU in 2007 N= 105	12%	14%	39%	34%	2.95
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	12%	25%	37%	26%	2.76	RU in 2008 N= 98	6%	18%	35%	40%	3.09
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,690 [172 Sch]	14%	29%	34%	23%	2.67	2008 Masters N= 52,920	16%	27%	30%	27%	2.68***
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,757 [15 Sch]	8%	23%	36%	33%	2.93*	2008 Jesuits N= 4,923	7%	20%	34%	39%	3.04
Analysis:											

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Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

Theme #5 [Ethics and Social Justice] – Continued

NSSE Question Jes1j: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Making ethical decisions in <u>personal</u> situations?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 120	3%	24%	43%	29%	2.98	RU in 2006 N= 64	9%	20%	30%	41%	3.02
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 135	8%	33%	33%	26%	2.76	RU in 2007 N= 100	4%	23%	37%	36%	3.05
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 117	8%	27%	38%	27%	2.85	RU in 2008 N= 88	12%	11%	32%	45%	3.10
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA					
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,639 [15 Sch]	6%	21%	39%	34%	3.01	2008 Jesuits N= 4,702	6%	18%	36%	40%	3.10
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question Jes1k: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Making ethical decisions in <u>professional</u> situations?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 119	3%	25%	42%	29%	2.97	RU in 2006 N= 64	6%	19%	30%	45%	3.14
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 135	6%	34%	34%	26%	2.80	RU in 2007 N= 100	6%	21%	33%	40%	3.07
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 117	8%	24%	41%	27%	2.88	RU in 2008 N= 89	10%	10%	32%	48%	3.17
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA					
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,636 [15 Sch]	7%	21%	39%	33%	2.98	2008 Jesuits N= 4,695	5%	17%	36%	42%	3.15
Analysis:											

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Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

Theme #5 [Ethics and Social Justice] – Continued

NSSE Question Jes1e: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in</i> Actively working to further social justice?											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 121	11%	27%	39%	23%	2.74	RU in 2006 N= 64	9%	30%	30%	31%	2.83
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 138	6%	29%	39%	26%	2.86	RU in 2007 N= 101	9%	32%	32%	28%	2.78
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 120	13%	28%	30%	30%	2.76	RU in 2008 N= 90	8%	28%	37%	27%	2.84
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA					
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,715 [15 Sch]	9%	26%	35%	30%	2.86	2008 Jesuits N= 4,755	10%	27%	32%	32%	2.85
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question Jes1i. <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in the</i> Ability to look critically at society and its institutions?											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 120	4%	29%	43%	23%	2.86	RU in 2006 N= 64	8%	22%	34%	36%	2.98
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 135	4%	34%	40%	22%	2.79	RU in 2007 N= 100	4%	23%	39%	34%	3.03
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 117	8%	28%	42%	22%	2.78	RU in 2008 N= 89	8%	15%	42%	36%	3.05
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA					
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,645 [15 Sch]	6%	22%	42%	30%	2.97*	2008 Jesuits N= 4,703	5%	19%	39%	36%	3.07
Analysis:											

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Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

#6 ACADEMIC KNOWLEDGE: The capacity to assimilate and apply a broad range of skills, knowledge, and abilities to a chosen field of study.

NSSE Question 2c: *During the current school year, how much has your coursework emphasized **Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships.** [also Theme #4]*

NSSE Question 11m: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in **Solving complex real-world problems.** [also Theme #4]*

NSSE Question 2c: *During the current school year, how much has your coursework emphasized **Synthesizing and organizing ideas, information, or experiences into new, more complex interpretations and relationships?** [also Theme #4]*

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 139	2%	26%	52%	20%	2.90	RU in 2006 N= 73	1%	16%	38%	44%	3.25
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 170	2%	26%	47%	25%	2.94	RU in 2007 N= 109	0%	22%	45%	33%	3.11
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 146	3%	27%	41%	29%	2.96	RU in 2008 N= 110	1%	17%	47%	35%	3.16
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,690 [172 Sch]	5%	29%	42%	24%	2.85	2008 Masters N= 56,208	3%	22%	42%	32%	3.03
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,057 [15 Sch]	2%	22%	43%	32%	3.05	2008 Jesuits N= 5,178	2%	16%	41%	41%	3.21
Analysis:											

Evidence of Student Learning in RU Thematic Areas #1 thru #7 [Strategic Direction 2]

Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

Theme #6 [Academic Knowledge] – Continued

NSSE Question 11m: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Solving complex real-world problems?</i> [also Theme #4]												
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses						
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean	
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	9%	30%	37%	24%	2.75	RU in 2006 N= 72	13%	24%	32%	32%	2.83	
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	8%	36%	37%	19%	2.68	RU in 2007 N= 105	11%	24%	38%	27%	2.80	
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 128	13%	36%	34%	16%	2.53	RU in 2008 N= 99	3%	39%	29%	29%	2.84	
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,705 [172 Sch]	11%	32%	36%	21%	2.66	2008 Masters N= 52,927	11%	29%	35%	25%	2.75	
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,748 [15 Sch]	8%	30%	37%	24%	2.77**	2008 Jesuits N= 4,918	8%	25%	37%	30%	2.90	
Analysis:												

Asterisks next to Masters or Jesuit means reflect the statistical significance of the difference between that mean and the RU mean ($p < .05$, $p < .01$, & $p < .001$). The more asterisks, the lower the likelihood that a difference is due to chance.

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Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

#7 SELF FORMATION: The discovery and cultivation of spiritual, physical, social, and emotional well-being.

NSSE Question 11j: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Learning effectively on your own?*

NSSE Question 6b: *During the current school year, about how often have you Exercised or participated in physical fitness activities?*

NSSE Question 6c: *During the current school year, about how often have you Participated in activities to enhance your spirituality [worship, meditation, prayer, etc]?*

NSSE Question 11p: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Developing a deepened sense of spirituality?*

NSSE Question Jes1m: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Making connections between your intellectual and spiritual life?*

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NSSE Question 11j: *To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Learning effectively on your own?*

First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	5%	25%	46%	25%	2.91	RU in 2006 N= 72	4%	15%	35%	46%	3.22
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	3%	27%	49%	22%	2.90	RU in 2007 N= 105	2%	18%	45%	35%	3.13
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	11%	33%	53%	32%	2.80	RU in 2008 N= 99	3%	22%	36%	38%	3.10
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,700 [172 Sch]	6%	24%	42%	28%	2.92	2008 Masters N= 52,924	7%	21%	39%	34%	3.00
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,753 [15 Sch]	4%	21%	43%	32%	3.02**	2008 Jesuits N= 4,912	4%	17%	40%	39%	3.14
Analysis:											

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Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

Theme #7 [Self-Formation] – Continued

NSSE Question 6b: <i>During the current school year, about how often have you</i> Exercised or participated in physical fitness activities?											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Never	Some-times	Often	Very Often	Mean		Never	Some-times	Often	Very Often	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 138	4%	22%	27%	48%	3.19	RU in 2006 N= 72	11%	36%	17%	36%	2.78
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 167	8%	23%	31%	38%	2.98	RU in 2007 N= 108	13%	25%	28%	34%	2.83
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 144	9%	29%	22%	40%	2.94	RU in 2008 N= 106	11%	39%	22%	28%	2.69
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,153 [172 Sch]	15%	28%	25%	32%	2.73*	2008 Masters N= 55,691	17%	34%	23%	26%	2.58
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,021 [15 Sch]	7%	25%	26%	42%	3.02	2008 Jesuits N= 5,117	11%	30%	24%	35%	2.83
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question 6c: <i>During the current school year, about how often have you</i> Participated in activities to enhance your spirituality (worship, meditation, prayer, etc.)?											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Never	Some-times	Often	Very Often	Mean		Never	Some-times	Often	Very Often	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 136	18%	33%	21%	27%	2.57	RU in 2006 N= 72	25%	31%	25%	19%	2.39
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 167	22%	34%	23%	21%	2.43	RU in 2007 N= 108	28%	36%	14%	22%	2.31
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 144	25%	34%	20%	21%	2.37	RU in 2008 N= 106	22%	43%	22%	13%	2.27
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 44,186 [172 Sch]	46%	27%	14%	14%	1.96***	2008 Masters N= 55,695	42%	28%	14%	16%	2.05*
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 5,016 [15 Sch]	31%	34%	18%	17%	2.21	2008 Jesuits N= 5,116	31%	35%	17%	17%	2.21
Analysis:											

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Data from the 2006, 2007, and 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement [NSSE]

Theme #7 [Self-Formation] – Continued

NSSE Question 11p: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Developing a deepened sense of spirituality?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 132	10%	31%	32%	27%	2.77	RU in 2006 N= 72	22%	26%	21%	31%	2.60
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 156	12%	33%	32%	23%	2.67	RU in 2007 N= 105	24%	22%	26%	29%	2.59
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 129	16%	26%	34%	24%	2.65	RU in 2008 N= 97	11%	35%	29%	25%	2.66
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= 40,667 [172 Sch]	38%	27%	20%	15%	2.12***	2008 Masters N= 52,895	48%	24%	15%	13%	1.93***
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 4,759 [15 Sch]	18%	28%	29%	25%	2.61	2008 Jesuits N= 4,913	22%	29%	24%	25%	2.52
Analysis:											

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NSSE Question Jes1m: <i>To what extent has your experience at Rockhurst contributed to your knowledge, skills and personal development in Making connections between your intellectual and spiritual life?</i>											
First Year Student Responses						Senior Student Responses					
2006 thru 2008	Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean		Very Little	Some	Quite a bit	Very Much	Mean
Rockhurst in 2006 N= 120	9%	23%	42%	26%	2.84	RU in 2006 N= 64	13%	28%	28%	31%	2.78
Rockhurst in 2007 N= 134	10%	31%	31%	28%	2.78	RU in 2007 N= 99	14%	26%	27%	32%	2.78
Rockhurst in 2008 N= 117	14%	20%	35%	32%	2.85	RU in 2008 N= 89	10%	28%	30%	31%	2.83
<i>First-Year Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>						<i>Senior Student Benchmark Data for 2008 Only</i>					
2008 Masters Univ. N= NA						2008 Masters N= NA					
2008 Jesuit Univ. N= 3,645 [15 Sch]	15%	25%	30%	29%	2.72	2008 Jesuits N= 4,708	17%	27%	27%	28%	2.66
Analysis:											

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