

2019 CIRP Freshman Survey

CIRP Construct Reports

First-time, Full-time Freshmen

Dominican University

Comparison group 1: Catholic 4yr Colleges-medium selectivity

Comparison group 2: Catholic 4yr Colleges



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How to Read the CIRP Construct Mean Report

CIRP Construct Definition – Summarizes the theoretical rationale for creating the construct.

Standard Deviation – Measures the variability around the mean. A small standard deviation indicates that the responses for the construct tend to be very close to the mean, whereas a large standard deviation indicates that the responses are spread over a larger range of response options.

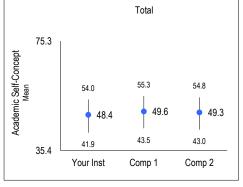
Statistical Significance - Uses a t-test to examine the difference between the mean construct score for your institution and the comparison group. Constructs with mean differences that are larger than would be expected by chance are noted with one, two, or three stars, which correspond to the three standard levels of significance (*p< .05. **p< .01, and ***p< .001). Statistical significance measures the extent to which a difference is occurring by chance, not the extent to which a difference is practically important. Large sample sizes (like those in the comparison groups) tend to generate statistical significance even though the magnitude of the difference may be small and not practically significant. In order to provide additional context to statistical significance, effect sizes are provided.

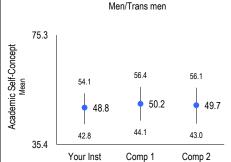
CIRP Constructs are designed to capture the experiences and outcomes institutions are often interested in understanding, but that present a measurement challenge because of their complex and multifaceted nature. To measure these broad underlying areas more precisely, we use Item Response Theory (IRT) to combine individual survey items into global measures that capture these areas. CIRP Constructs are more than a summation of related items; IRT uses response patterns to derive construct score estimates while simultaneously giving greater weight in the estimation process to survey items that tap into the construct more directly. This results in more accurate construct scores. Constructs are particularly useful for benchmarking. They allow you to determine if the experiences and outcomes for your students differ from your comparison groups. Two reports are generated for each CIRP Construct. The Mean Score Report shows comparative information based on the mean score of a construct. The Percentage Report shows comparative information based on the percentage of students who score in the high, average, and low score groups of a construct. We suggest you use the report that best fits your needs as an institution. Both CIRP Construct reports are generated for first-time, full-time freshman, which we define as those respondents who first entered college in 2019 and are currently enrolled full-time. For more information about IRT and the CIRP Construct development process, see the CIRP Constructs Technical Report at www.heri.ucla.edu

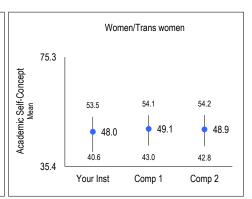
Academic Self-Concept - is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in academic environments.

| | | | Total | | | Men/Trans men | | Wo | men/Trans won | nen | / |
|------------|--------------------|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------------|--------|-----------|---------------|---------|---|
| | Sample University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | |
| | Total (n) | 619 | 21,085 | 42,939 | 300 | 10,706 | 19,535 | 319 | 10,379 | 23,404 | |
| | Mean | 48.4 | 49.6 | 49.3 | 48.8 | 50.2 | 49.7 | 48.0 | 49.1 | 48.9 | _ |
| 7 | Standard Deviation | 8.74 | 8.55 | 8.85 | 8.67 | 8.67 | 8.97 | 8.80 | 8.41 | 8.74 | |
| L | Significance | - | *** | * | - | ** | | - | * | | |
| Χ | Effect Size | - | -0.14 | -0.10 | - | -0.16 | -0.10 | - | -0.12 | -0.10 🔪 | |
| ' [| 25th percentile | 41.9 | 43.5 | 43.0 | 42.8 | 44.1 | 43.0 | 40.6 | 43.0 | 42.8 | \ |
| | 75th percentile | 54.0 | 55.3 | 54.8 | 54.1 | 56.4 | 56.1 | 53.5 | 54.1 | 54.2 | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

Rate yourself on each of the following traits as compared with the average person your age:

- * Academic ability (3.52)
- * Self-confidence intellectual (1.22)
- * Drive to achieve (0.95)
- * Mathematical ability (1.22)

Survey Items and Estimation "Weights" – The survey items used in the creation of the CIRP Construct are presented in the order in which they contribute to the construct along with the estimation weights generated in IRT. Items that tap into a trait more effectively are given greater weight in the estimation process.

Charts – Provide a visual display of relevant construct scores for your institution and two comparison groups. The Y axis is defined by the highest and lowest possible construct score. Mean scores are represented by blue circles. The numbers at the top and bottom of the vertical line are values for the 75th and 25th percentiles.

Comp 1 – The first comparison group is based on your institution's type, control, and selectivity.

Comp 2 – The second comparison group is based on your institution's type and control

Mean – The arithmetic mean is computed for each CIRP Construct based on the construct score. CIRP Constructs are scored on a z-score metric and rescaled for a mean of approximately 50 and standard deviation of 10.

Effect Size - Determines the practical significance of the mean difference between your institution and the comparison group. It is calculated by dividing the mean difference by the standard deviation of the comparison group. Generally, an effect size of .2 is considered small. .5 medium, and .8 large, A positive sign indicates that your institution's mean is greater than the mean of the comparison group; a negative sign indicates your mean is smaller than the mean of the comparison group.

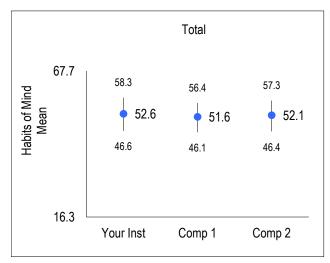


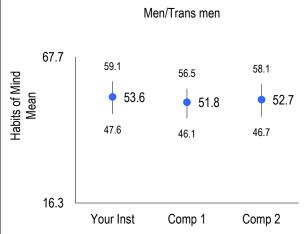
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Habits of Mind CIRP Construct Mean Report

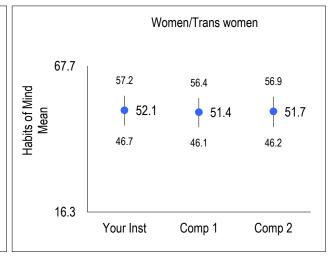
Habits of Mind - is a unified measure of the behaviors and traits associated with academic success. These learning behaviors are seen as the foundation for lifelong learning.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 394 | 2,081 | 9,384 | 129 | 713 | 3,602 | 247 | 1,368 | 5,782 |
| Mean | 52.6 | 51.6 | 52.1 | 53.6 | 51.8 | 52.7 | 52.1 | 51.4 | 51.7 |
| Standard Deviation | 7.87 | 7.44 | 7.76 | 7.94 | 7.37 | 7.82 | 7.57 | 7.48 | 7.69 |
| Significance | - | * | | - | * | | - | | |
| Effect Size | - | 0.14 | 0.07 | - | 0.25 | 0.12 | - | 0.09 | 0.05 |
| 25th percentile | 46.6 | 46.1 | 46.4 | 47.6 | 46.1 | 46.7 | 46.7 | 46.1 | 46.2 |
| 75th percentile | 58.3 | 56.4 | 57.3 | 59.1 | 56.5 | 58.1 | 57.2 | 56.4 | 56.9 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

How often in the past year did you:

- * Ask questions in class (2.09)
- * Support your opinions with a logical argument (2.86)
- * Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others (3.07)
- * Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received (2.98)
- * Take a risk because you feel you have more to gain (2.41)
- * Seek alternative solutions to a problem (2.84)

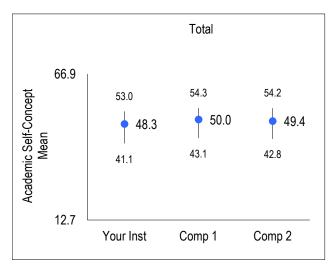
- *Look up scientific research articles and resources (2.29)
- * Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class (2.57)
- * Accept mistakes as part of the learning process (1.97)
- * Analyze multiple sources of information before coming to a conclusion (2.81)
- * Take on a challenge that scares you (2.39)

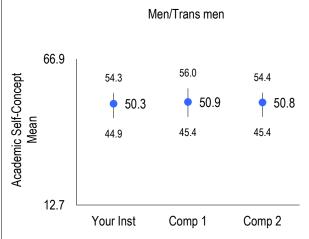
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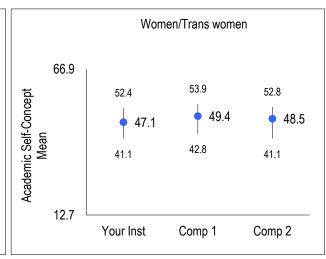
Academic Self-Concept - is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in academic environments.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 385 | 2,069 | 9,301 | 126 | 713 | 3,571 | 242 | 1,356 | 5,730 |
| Mean | 48.3 | 50.0 | 49.4 | 50.3 | 50.9 | 50.8 | 47.1 | 49.4 | 48.5 |
| Standard Deviation | 8.37 | 8.31 | 8.22 | 8.14 | 8.54 | 8.26 | 8.27 | 8.13 | 8.06 |
| Significance | - | *** | * | - | | | - | *** | * |
| Effect Size | - | -0.20 | -0.12 | - | -0.08 | -0.06 | - | -0.28 | -0.16 |
| 25th percentile | 41.1 | 43.1 | 42.8 | 44.9 | 45.4 | 45.4 | 41.1 | 42.8 | 41.1 |
| 75th percentile | 53.0 | 54.3 | 54.2 | 54.3 | 56.0 | 54.4 | 52.4 | 53.9 | 52.8 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







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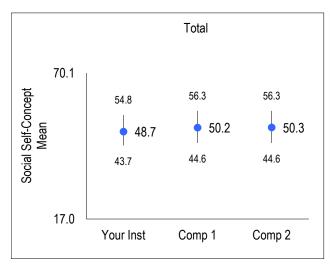
- * Academic ability (2.23)
- * Mathematical ability (1.32)
- * Self-confidence intellectual (3.65)
- * Drive to achieve (1.95)

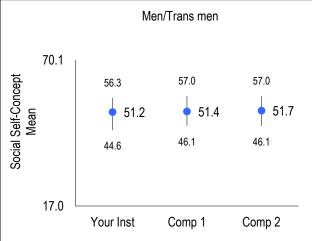
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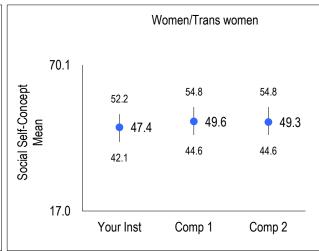
Social Self-Concept - is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in social situations.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 385 | 2,065 | 9,288 | 126 | 713 | 3,568 | 242 | 1,352 | 5,720 |
| Mean | 48.7 | 50.2 | 50.3 | 51.2 | 51.4 | 51.7 | 47.4 | 49.6 | 49.3 |
| Standard Deviation | 8.71 | 8.45 | 8.52 | 8.53 | 8.52 | 8.52 | 8.55 | 8.34 | 8.40 |
| Significance | - | ** | *** | - | | | - | *** | *** |
| Effect Size | - | -0.18 | -0.18 | - | -0.03 | -0.06 | - | -0.26 | -0.23 |
| 25th percentile | 43.7 | 44.6 | 44.6 | 44.6 | 46.1 | 46.1 | 42.1 | 44.6 | 44.6 |
| 75th percentile | 54.8 | 56.3 | 56.3 | 56.3 | 57.0 | 57.0 | 52.2 | 54.8 | 54.8 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

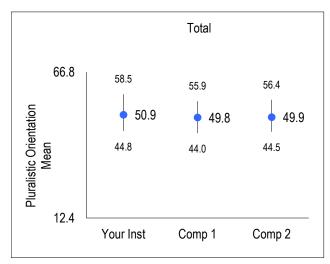
- * Self-confidence social (4.65)
- * Leadership ability (2.06)
- * Public speaking ability (0.32)

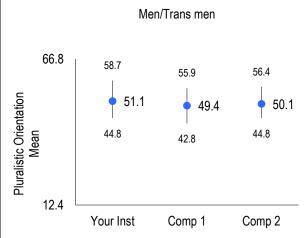
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Pluralistic Orientation CIRP Construct Mean Report

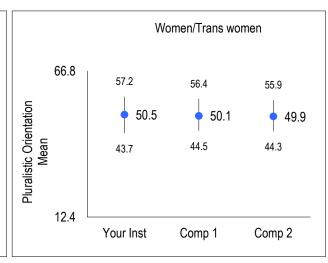
Pluralistic Orientation - measures skills and dispositions appropriate for living and working in a diverse society.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 395 | 2,082 | 9,375 | 129 | 714 | 3,606 | 248 | 1,368 | 5,769 |
| Mean | 50.9 | 49.8 | 49.9 | 51.1 | 49.4 | 50.1 | 50.5 | 50.1 | 49.9 |
| Standard Deviation | 9.01 | 8.53 | 8.68 | 8.85 | 8.61 | 8.90 | 8.97 | 8.47 | 8.54 |
| Significance | - | * | * | - | * | | - | | |
| Effect Size | - | 0.12 | 0.10 | - | 0.19 | 0.11 | - | 0.05 | 0.08 |
| 25th percentile | 44.8 | 44.0 | 44.5 | 44.8 | 42.8 | 44.8 | 43.7 | 44.5 | 44.3 |
| 75th percentile | 58.5 | 55.9 | 56.4 | 58.7 | 55.9 | 56.4 | 57.2 | 56.4 | 55.9 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







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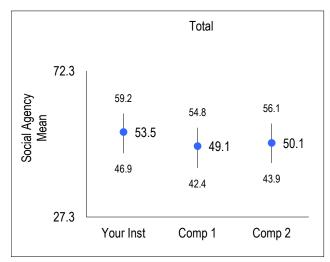
- * Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective (1.40)
- * Tolerance of others with different beliefs (1.64)
- * Openness to having my own views challenged (1.57)
- * Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues (1.53)
- * Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people (1.68)

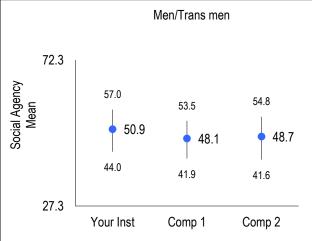
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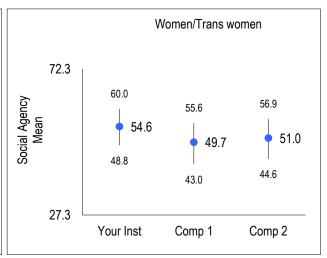
Social Agency - measures the extent to which students value political and social involvement as a personal goal.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 366 | 1,961 | 8,998 | 120 | 671 | 3,444 | 229 | 1,290 | 5,554 |
| Mean | 53.5 | 49.1 | 50.1 | 50.9 | 48.1 | 48.7 | 54.6 | 49.7 | 51.0 |
| Standard Deviation | 9.67 | 9.59 | 9.74 | 9.52 | 9.80 | 10.10 | 9.48 | 9.41 | 9.39 |
| Significance | - | *** | *** | - | ** | * | - | *** | *** |
| Effect Size | - | 0.45 | 0.35 | - | 0.29 | 0.22 | - | 0.52 | 0.38 |
| 25th percentile | 46.9 | 42.4 | 43.9 | 44.0 | 41.9 | 41.6 | 48.8 | 43.0 | 44.6 |
| 75th percentile | 59.2 | 54.8 | 56.1 | 57.0 | 53.5 | 54.8 | 60.0 | 55.6 | 56.9 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

- * Participating in a community action program (2.62)
- * Helping to promote racial understanding (2.64)
- * Becoming a community leader (2.57)

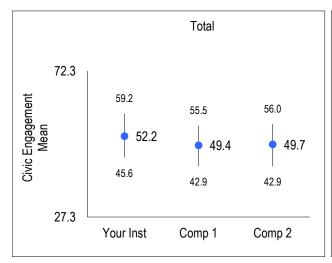
- * Influencing social values (2.41)
- * Helping others who are in difficulty (1.86)
- * Keeping up to date with political affairs (2.22)

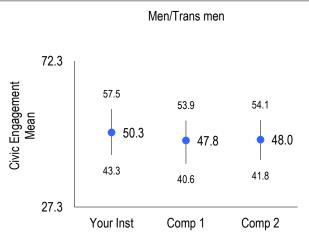
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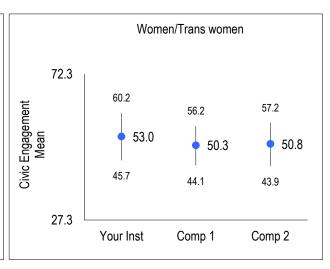
Civic Engagement - measures the extent to which students are motivated and involved in civic, electoral, and political activities.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 396 | 2,092 | 9,458 | 130 | 715 | 3,647 | 248 | 1,377 | 5,811 |
| Mean | 52.2 | 49.4 | 49.7 | 50.3 | 47.8 | 48.0 | 53.0 | 50.3 | 50.8 |
| Standard Deviation | 9.89 | 9.44 | 9.63 | 9.68 | 9.68 | 9.52 | 9.89 | 9.18 | 9.55 |
| Significance | - | *** | *** | - | ** | ** | - | *** | *** |
| Effect Size | - | 0.29 | 0.26 | - | 0.25 | 0.24 | - | 0.30 | 0.24 |
| 25th percentile | 45.6 | 42.9 | 42.9 | 43.3 | 40.6 | 41.8 | 45.7 | 44.1 | 43.9 |
| 75th percentile | 59.2 | 55.5 | 56.0 | 57.5 | 53.9 | 54.1 | 60.2 | 56.2 | 57.2 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

Indicate activities you did in the past year:

Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

^{*}Demonstrated for a cause (e.g., boycott, rally, protest) (1.46)

^{*}Publicly communicated my opinion about a cause (e.g., blog, email, petition) (0.82)

^{*}Helped raise money for a cause or campaign (1.42)

^{*}Performed volunteer work (1.11)

^{*}Influencing social values (0.97)

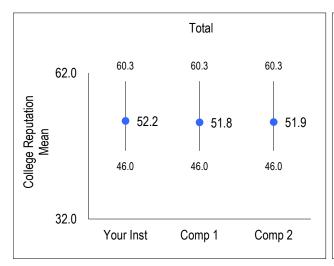
^{*}Keeping up to date with political affairs (0.86)

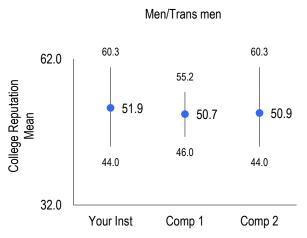


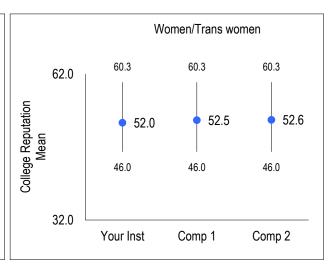
College Reputation Orientation - measures the degree to which students value academic reputation and future career potential as a reason for choosing this college.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 377 | 2,045 | 9,182 | 123 | 700 | 3,511 | 237 | 1,345 | 5,671 |
| Mean | 52.2 | 51.8 | 51.9 | 51.9 | 50.7 | 50.9 | 52.0 | 52.5 | 52.6 |
| Standard Deviation | 7.56 | 7.76 | 7.82 | 7.15 | 7.50 | 7.85 | 7.85 | 7.83 | 7.74 |
| Significance | - | | | - | | | - | | |
| Effect Size | - | 0.04 | 0.03 | - | 0.17 | 0.13 | - | -0.07 | -0.07 |
| 25th percentile | 46.0 | 46.0 | 46.0 | 44.0 | 46.0 | 44.0 | 46.0 | 46.0 | 46.0 |
| 75th percentile | 60.3 | 60.3 | 60.3 | 60.3 | 55.2 | 60.3 | 60.3 | 60.3 | 60.3 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

How important was each reason in your decision to come here?

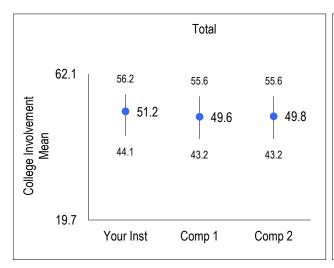
- * This college's graduates get good jobs (7.64)
- * This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools (5.92)
- * This college has a very good academic reputation (4.89)

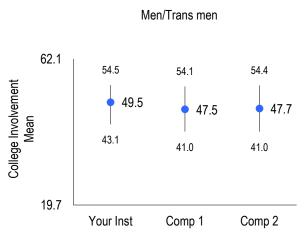
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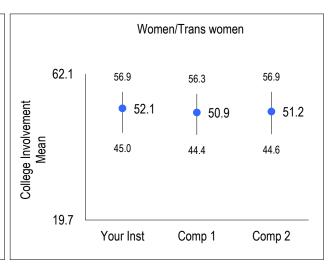
Likelihood of College Involvement - is a unified measure of students' expectations about their involvement in college life generally.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 365 | 1,947 | 9,000 | 120 | 664 | 3,437 | 229 | 1,283 | 5,563 |
| Mean | 51.2 | 49.6 | 49.8 | 49.5 | 47.5 | 47.7 | 52.1 | 50.9 | 51.2 |
| Standard Deviation | 10.58 | 9.81 | 10.09 | 10.20 | 9.85 | 9.82 | 10.62 | 9.56 | 10.02 |
| Significance | - | ** | ** | - | * | * | - | | |
| Effect Size | - | 0.16 | 0.14 | - | 0.21 | 0.19 | - | 0.12 | 0.09 |
| 25th percentile | 44.1 | 43.2 | 43.2 | 43.1 | 41.0 | 41.0 | 45.0 | 44.4 | 44.6 |
| 75th percentile | 56.2 | 55.6 | 55.6 | 54.5 | 54.1 | 54.4 | 56.9 | 56.3 | 56.9 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

What is your best guess as to the chances that you will:

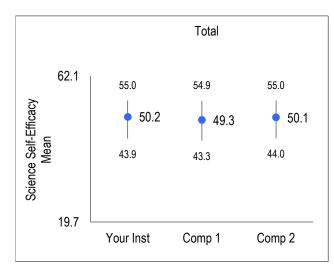
- * Participate in student clubs/groups (1.28)
- * Participate in volunteer or community service work (1.51)
- * Participate in a study abroad program (0.79)
- * Participate in student government (3.39)

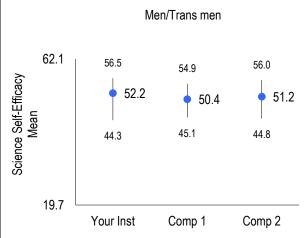
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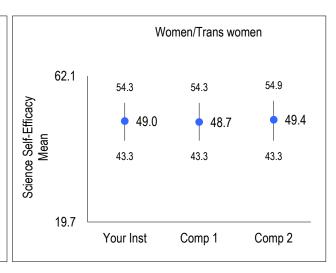
Science Self-Efficacy - is a measure of students' confidence in their ability to conduct scientific research.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 386 | 2,066 | 9,307 | 127 | 711 | 3,574 | 242 | 1,355 | 5,733 |
| Mean | 50.2 | 49.3 | 50.1 | 52.2 | 50.4 | 51.2 | 49.0 | 48.7 | 49.4 |
| Standard Deviation | 9.05 | 9.13 | 9.41 | 9.85 | 8.72 | 9.41 | 8.21 | 9.31 | 9.35 |
| Significance | - | | | - | * | | - | | |
| Effect Size | - | 0.10 | 0.01 | - | 0.20 | 0.11 | - | 0.03 | -0.04 |
| 25th percentile | 43.9 | 43.3 | 44.0 | 44.3 | 45.1 | 44.8 | 43.3 | 43.3 | 43.3 |
| 75th percentile | 55.0 | 54.9 | 55.0 | 56.5 | 54.9 | 56.0 | 54.3 | 54.3 | 54.9 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

How confident are you that you can:

Use technical science skills (use of tools, instruments, and/or techniques) (1.48)

Generate an answerable research question (2.82)

Determine how to collect appropriate data (2.70)

Explain the results of a study (1.73)

Use scientific literature to guide research (2.40)

Integrate results from multiple studies (2.33)

Ask relevant questions (2.87)

Identify what is known and not known about a problem (2.79)

Understand scientific concepts (1.95)

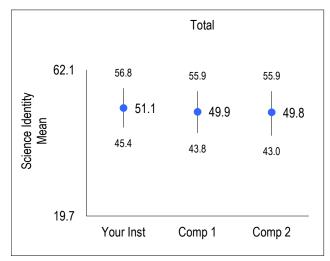
See connections between different areas of science and mathematics (1.90)

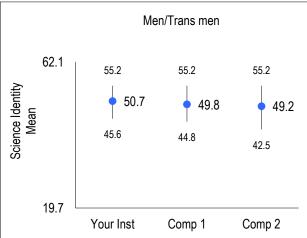
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Science Identity CIRP Construct Mean Report

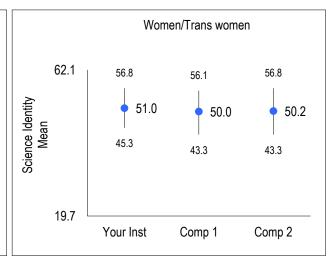
Science Identity - The extent to which students conceive of themselves as scientists.

| | | Total | | Men/Trans men | | | Women/Trans women | | |
|----------------------|-----------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 371 | 1,975 | 9,055 | 122 | 676 | 3,461 | 232 | 1,299 | 5,594 |
| Mean | 51.1 | 49.9 | 49.8 | 50.7 | 49.8 | 49.2 | 51.0 | 50.0 | 50.2 |
| Standard Deviation | 8.92 | 8.69 | 9.08 | 8.87 | 8.55 | 9.01 | 8.90 | 8.77 | 9.10 |
| Significance | - | * | ** | - | | | - | | |
| Effect Size | - | 0.13 | 0.14 | - | 0.11 | 0.17 | - | 0.11 | 0.09 |
| 25th percentile | 45.4 | 43.8 | 43.0 | 45.6 | 44.8 | 42.5 | 45.3 | 43.3 | 43.3 |
| 75th percentile | 56.8 | 55.9 | 55.9 | 55.2 | 55.2 | 55.2 | 56.8 | 56.1 | 56.8 |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

To what extent are the following statements true of you:

I have a strong sense of belonging to the community of scientists (3.52)

I derive great personal satisfaction from working on a team that is doing important research (1.78)

I think of myself as a scientist (5.54)

I feel like I belong in the field of science (4.43)



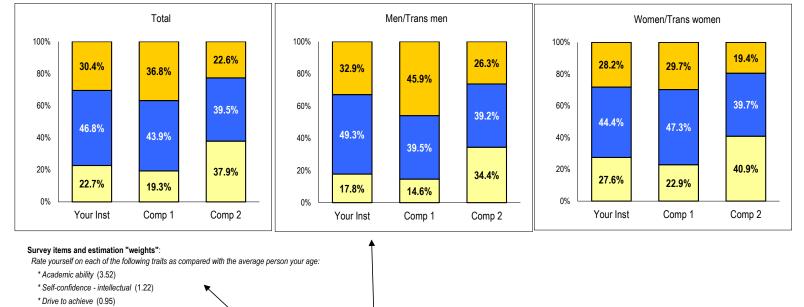
How to Read the CIRP Construct Percentage Report

CIRP Constructs are designed to capture the experiences and outcomes institutions are often interested in understanding, but that present a measurement challenge because of their complex and multifaceted nature. To measure these broad underlying areas more precisely, we use Item Response Theory (IRT) to combine individual survey items into global measures that capture these areas. CIRP Constructs are more than a summation of related items; IRT uses response patterns to derive construct score estimates while simultaneously giving greater weight in the estimation process to survey items that tap into the construct more directly. This results in more accurate construct scores. Constructs are particularly useful for benchmarking. They allow you to determine if the experiences and outcomes for your students differ from your comparison groups. Two reports are generated for each CIRP Construct. The Mean Score Report shows comparative information based on the mean score of a construct. The Percentage Report shows comparative information based on the percentage of students who score in the high, average, and low score groups of a construct. We suggest you use the report that best fits your needs as an institution. Both CIRP Construct reports are generated for first-time, full-time freshmen, which we define as those respondents who first entered college in 2019 and are currently enrolled full-time. For more information about IRT and the CIRP Construct development process, see the CIRP Constructs Technical Report at www.heri.ucla.edu

Academic Self-Concept – is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in academic environments.

| | Total | | | M | en/Trans me | <u>n</u> | Wom | Women/Trans women | | | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|----------|-----------|-------------------|--------|--|--|
| Sample University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | | |
| Total (n) | 313 | 13,401 | 30,456 | 153 | 5,876 | 13,369 | 160 | 7,525 | 17,087 | | |
| High Academic Self-Concept | 30.4% | 36.8% | 22.6% | 32.9% | 45.9% | 26.3% | 28.2% | 29.7% | 19.4% | | |
| Average Academic Self-Concept | 46.8% | 43.9% | 39.5% | 49.3% | 39.5% | 39.2% | 44.4% | 47.3% | 39.7% | | |
| Low Academic Self-Concept | 22.7% | 19.3% | 37.9% | 17.8% | 14.6% | 34.4% | 27.6% | 22.9% | 40.9% | | |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | * | *** | - | ** | *** | _ | | *** | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001



Survey Items and Estimation "Weights" – The survey items used in the creation of the CIRP Construct are presented in the order in which they contribute to the construct along with the estimation weights generated in IRT. Items that tap into a trait more effectively are given greater weight in the estimation process.

* Mathematical ability (1.32)

Charts – CIRP Constructs are scored on a z-score metric and rescaled for a mean of approximately 50 and standard deviation of 10. The Low, Average, and High construct score group percentages are reported here. The "Low" score group represents students who are one-half standard deviation below the mean. The "Average" score group represents students whose scores are within one-half standard deviation of the mean. The "High" score group represents students who are one-half standard deviation or more above the mean.

CIRP Construct Definition – Summarizes the theoretical rationale for creating the construct.

Comp 1 – The first comparison group is based on your institution's type, control, and selectivity.

Comp 2 – The second comparison group is based on your institution's type and control.

Statistical Significance - uses a proportional difference test to examine the difference between the percentage of students in the high score group for your institution and the percentage of students in the high score group in the comparison group. Differences larger than what would be expected by chance are noted with one, two, or three stars, which correspond to the three standard levels of significance (*p<.05, **p<.01, ***p<.001). Statistical significance measures the extent to which a difference is occurring by chance, not the extent to which a difference is practically important. Large sample sizes (like those in the comparison groups) tend to generate statistical significance even though the magnitude of the difference might be small and not practically important. Unlike the means scores report, in this case there are no effect size calculations to quide you in determining practical importance when comparing proportional differences.

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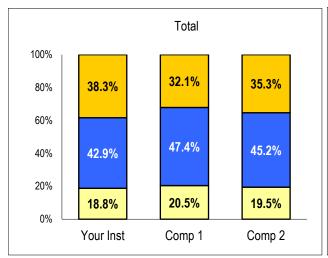


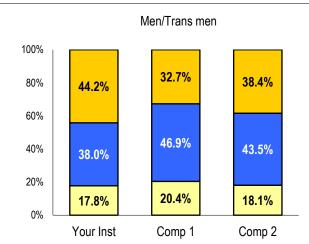
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Habits of Mind CIRP Construct Percentage Report

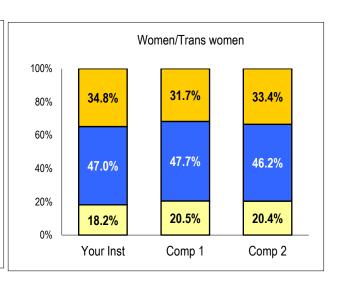
Habits of Mind - is a unified measure of the behaviors and traits associated with academic success. These learning behaviors are seen as the foundation for lifelong learning.

| | | Total | | M | en/Trans me | n | Women/Trans women | | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 394 | 2,081 | 9,384 | 129 | 713 | 3,602 | 247 | 1,368 | 5,782 |
| ☐ High Habits of Mind | 38.3% | 32.1% | 35.3% | 44.2% | 32.7% | 38.4% | 34.8% | 31.7% | 33.4% |
| Average Habits of Mind | 42.9% | 47.4% | 45.2% | 38.0% | 46.9% | 43.5% | 47.0% | 47.7% | 46.2% |
| □ Low Habits of Mind | 18.8% | 20.5% | 19.5% | 17.8% | 20.4% | 18.1% | 18.2% | 20.5% | 20.4% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

How often in the past year did you:

- * Ask questions in class (2.09)
- * Support your opinions with a logical argument (2.86)
- * Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others (3.07)
- * Evaluate the quality or reliability of information you received (2.98)
- * Take a risk because you feel you have more to gain (2.41)
- * Seek alternative solutions to a problem (2.84)

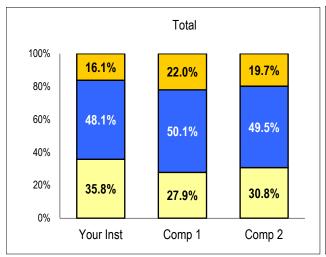
- * Look up scientific research articles and resources (2.29)
- * Explore topics on your own, even though it was not required for a class (2.57)
- * Accept mistakes as part of the learning process (1.97)
- * Analyze multiple sources of information before coming to a conclusion (2.81)
- * Take on a challenge that scares you (2.39)

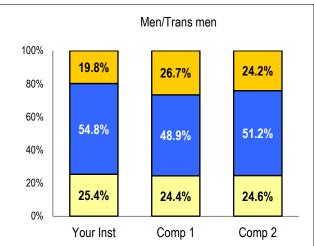
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Academic Self-Concept CIRP Construct Percentage Report

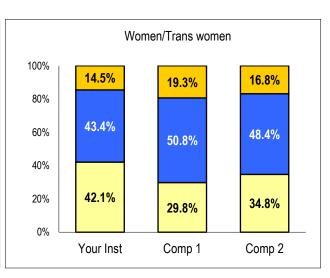
Academic Self-Concept - is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in academic environments.

| | | Total | | M | len/Trans me | n | Women/Trans women | | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 385 | 2,069 | 9,301 | 126 | 713 | 3,571 | 242 | 1,356 | 5,730 |
| ☐ High Academic Self-Concept | 16.1% | 22.0% | 19.7% | 19.8% | 26.7% | 24.2% | 14.5% | 19.3% | 16.8% |
| Average Academic Self-Concept | 48.1% | 50.1% | 49.5% | 54.8% | 48.9% | 51.2% | 43.4% | 50.8% | 48.4% |
| □ Low Academic Self-Concept | 35.8% | 27.9% | 30.8% | 25.4% | 24.4% | 24.6% | 42.1% | 29.8% | 34.8% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Academic ability (2.23)
- * Mathematical ability (1.32)
- * Self-confidence intellectual (3.65)
- * Drive to achieve (1.95)

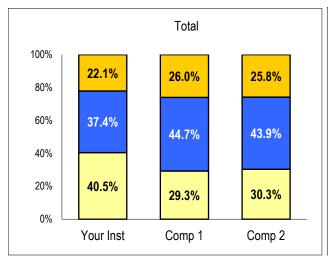


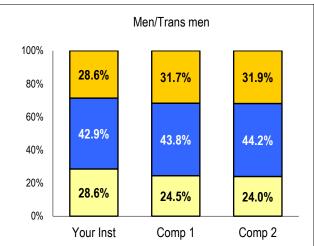
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Social Self-Concept CIRP Construct Percentage Report

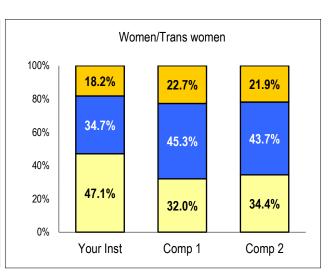
Social Self-Concept - is a unified measure of students' beliefs about their abilities and confidence in social situations.

| | | Total | | М | en/Trans me | n | Women/Trans women | | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 385 | 2,065 | 9,288 | 126 | 713 | 3,568 | 242 | 1,352 | 5,720 |
| ☐ High Social Self-Concept | 22.1% | 26.0% | 25.8% | 28.6% | 31.7% | 31.9% | 18.2% | 22.7% | 21.9% |
| Average Social Self-Concept | 37.4% | 44.7% | 43.9% | 42.9% | 43.8% | 44.2% | 34.7% | 45.3% | 43.7% |
| □ Low Social Self-Concept | 40.5% | 29.3% | 30.3% | 28.6% | 24.5% | 24.0% | 47.1% | 32.0% | 34.4% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Self-confidence social (4.65)
- * Leadership ability (2.06)
- * Public speaking ability (0.32)

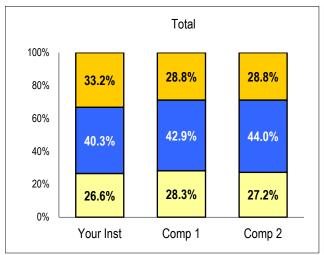


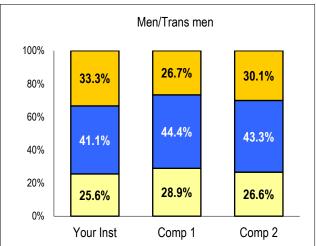
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Pluralistic Orientation CIRP Construct Percentage Report

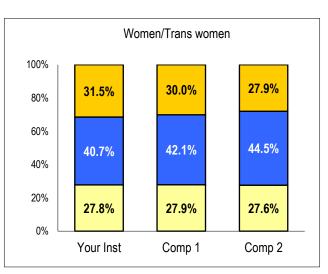
Pluralistic Orientation - measures skills and dispositions appropriate for living and working in a diverse society.

| | | Total | | M | en/Trans me | n | Women/Trans women | | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 395 | 2,082 | 9,375 | 129 | 714 | 3,606 | 248 | 1,368 | 5,769 |
| ☐ High Pluralistic Orientation | 33.2% | 28.8% | 28.8% | 33.3% | 26.7% | 30.1% | 31.5% | 30.0% | 27.9% |
| Average Pluralistic Orientation | 40.3% | 42.9% | 44.0% | 41.1% | 44.4% | 43.3% | 40.7% | 42.1% | 44.5% |
| □ Low Pluralistic Orientation | 26.6% | 28.3% | 27.2% | 25.6% | 28.9% | 26.6% | 27.8% | 27.9% | 27.6% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

- * Ability to see the world from someone else's perspective (1.40)
- * Tolerance of others with different beliefs (1.64)
- * Openness to having my own views challenged (1.57)
- * Ability to discuss and negotiate controversial issues (1.53)
- * Ability to work cooperatively with diverse people (1.68)

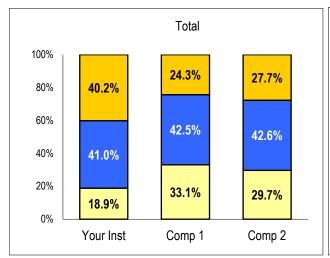


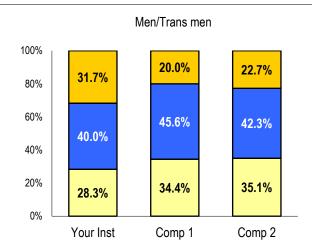
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Social Agency CIRP Construct Percentage Report

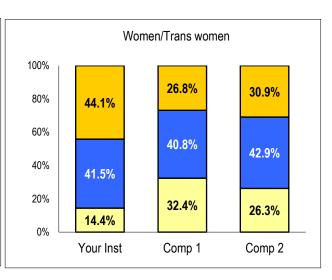
Social Agency - measures the extent to which students value political and social involvement as a personal goal.

| | | Total | | M | en/Trans me | n | Wom | men/Trans women | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|-----------|-----------------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 366 | 1,961 | 8,998 | 120 | 671 | 3,444 | 229 | 1,290 | 5,554 |
| ☐ High Social Agency | 40.2% | 24.3% | 27.7% | 31.7% | 20.0% | 22.7% | 44.1% | 26.8% | 30.9% |
| Average Social Agency | 41.0% | 42.5% | 42.6% | 40.0% | 45.6% | 42.3% | 41.5% | 40.8% | 42.9% |
| □ Low Social Agency | 18.9% | 33.1% | 29.7% | 28.3% | 34.4% | 35.1% | 14.4% | 32.4% | 26.3% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | *** | *** | - | | | - | *** | ** |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

- * Participating in a community action program (2.62)
- * Helping to promote racial understanding (2.64)
- * Becoming a community leader (2.57)

- * Influencing social values (2.41)
- * Helping others who are in difficulty (1.86)
- * Keeping up to date with political affairs (2.22)

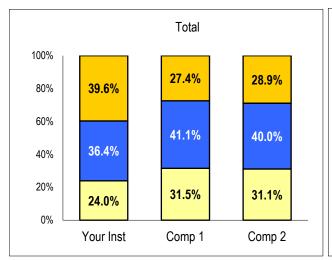


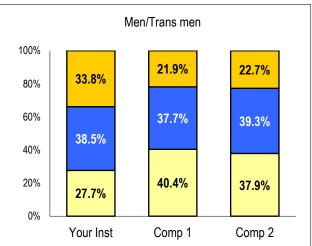
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Civic Engagement CIRP Construct Percentage Report

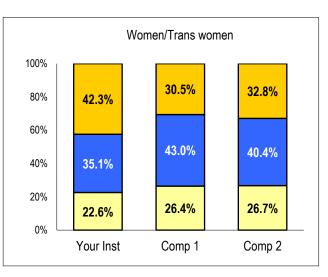
Civic Engagement - measures the extent to which students are motivated and involved in civic, electoral, and political activities.

| | | Total | | M | en/Trans me | n | Wom | Women/Trans women | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|-----------|-------------------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 396 | 2,092 | 9,458 | 130 | 715 | 3,647 | 248 | 1,377 | 5,811 |
| □ High Civic Engagement □ High Civic | 39.6% | 27.4% | 28.9% | 33.8% | 21.9% | 22.7% | 42.3% | 30.5% | 32.8% |
| Average Civic Engagement | 36.4% | 41.1% | 40.0% | 38.5% | 37.7% | 39.3% | 35.1% | 43.0% | 40.4% |
| □ Low Civic Engagement | 24.0% | 31.5% | 31.1% | 27.7% | 40.4% | 37.9% | 22.6% | 26.4% | 26.7% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | *** | ** | ı | | | - | * | * |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

Indicate activities you did in the past year:

Indicate the importance to you personally of each of the following:

*Influencing social values (0.97)

*Keeping up to date with political affairs (0.86)

^{*}Demonstrated for a cause (e.g., boycott, rally, protest) (1.46)

^{*}Publicly communicated my opinion about a cause (e.g., blog, email, petition) (0.82)

^{*}Helped raise money for a cause or campaign (1.42)

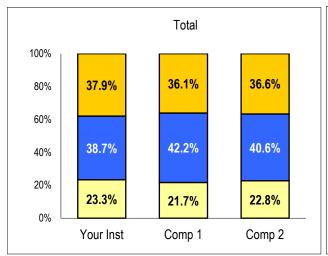
^{*}Performed volunteer work (1.11)

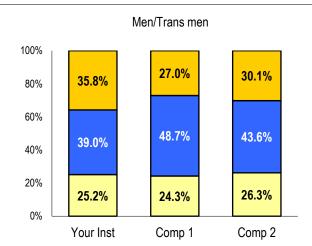
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen College Reputation Orientation CIRP Construct Percentage Report

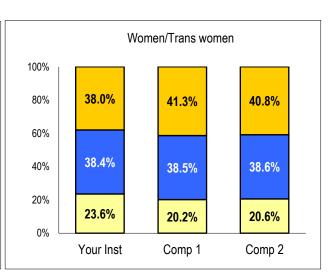
College Reputation Orientation - measures the degree to which students value academic reputation and future career potential as a reason for choosing this college.

| | | Total | | M | len/Trans me | n | Women/Trans women | | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 377 | 2,045 | 9,182 | 123 | 700 | 3,511 | 237 | 1,345 | 5,671 |
| □ High College Reputation Orientation | 37.9% | 36.1% | 36.6% | 35.8% | 27.0% | 30.1% | 38.0% | 41.3% | 40.8% |
| Average College Reputation Orientation | 38.7% | 42.2% | 40.6% | 39.0% | 48.7% | 43.6% | 38.4% | 38.5% | 38.6% |
| Low College Reputation Orientation | 23.3% | 21.7% | 22.8% | 25.2% | 24.3% | 26.3% | 23.6% | 20.2% | 20.6% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

How important was each reason in your decision to come here?

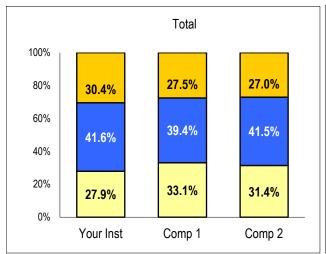
- * This college's graduates get good jobs (7.64)
- * This college's graduates gain admission to top graduate/professional schools (5.92)
- * This college has a very good academic reputation (4.89)

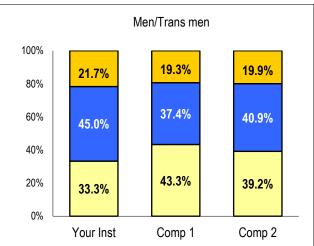
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Likelihood of College Involvement CIRP Construct Percentage Report

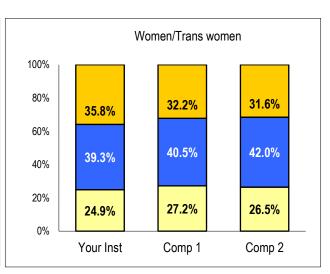
Likelihood of College Involvement - is a unified measure of students' expectations about their involvement in college life generally.

| | | Total | | M | len/Trans me | n | Women/Trans women | | |
|---|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|--------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 365 | 1,947 | 9,000 | 120 | 664 | 3,437 | 229 | 1,283 | 5,563 |
| ☐ High Likelihood of College Involvement | 30.4% | 27.5% | 27.0% | 21.7% | 19.3% | 19.9% | 35.8% | 32.2% | 31.6% |
| Average Likelihood of College Involvement | 41.6% | 39.4% | 41.5% | 45.0% | 37.4% | 40.9% | 39.3% | 40.5% | 42.0% |
| Low Likelihood of College Involvement | 27.9% | 33.1% | 31.4% | 33.3% | 43.3% | 39.2% | 24.9% | 27.2% | 26.5% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

What is your best guess as to the chances that you will:

- * Participate in student clubs/groups (1.28)
- * Participate in volunteer or community service work (1.51)
- * Participate in a study abroad program (0.79)
- * Participate in student government (3.39)

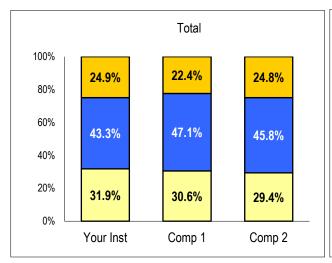


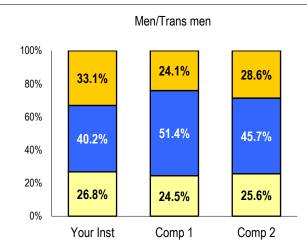
2019 CIRP Freshman Survey First-time, Full-time Freshmen Science Self-Efficacy CIRP Construct Percentage Report

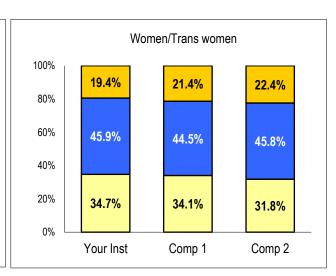
Science Self-Efficacy - is a measure of students' confidence in their ability to conduct scientific research.

| | | Total | | N | len/Trans me | n | Wo | men/Trans w | omen |
|--|-------|--------|--------|-----------|--------------|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|
| Dominican University | | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 386 | 2,066 | 9,307 | 127 | 711 | 3,574 | 242 | 1,355 | 5,733 |
| ☐ High Science Self-Efficacy | 24.9% | 22.4% | 24.8% | 33.1% | 24.1% | 28.6% | 19.4% | 21.4% | 22.4% |
| Average Science Self-Efficacy | 43.3% | 47.1% | 45.8% | 40.2% | 51.4% | 45.7% | 45.9% | 44.5% | 45.8% |
| □ Low Science Self-Efficacy | 31.9% | 30.6% | 29.4% | 26.8% | 24.5% | 25.6% | 34.7% | 34.1% | 31.8% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

How confident are you that you can:

Use technical science skills (use of tools, instruments, and/or techniques) (1.48)

Generate an answerable research question (2.82)

Determine how to collect appropriate data (2.70)

Explain the results of a study (1.73)

Use scientific literature to guide research (2.40)

Integrate results from multiple studies (2.33)

Ask relevant questions (2.87)

Identify what is known and not known about a problem (2.79)

Understand scientific concepts (1.95)

See connections between different areas of science and mathematics (1.90)

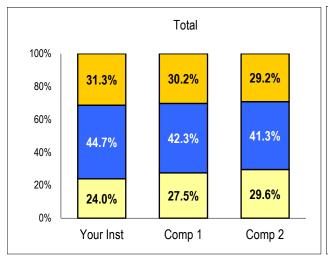


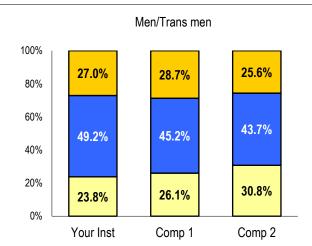
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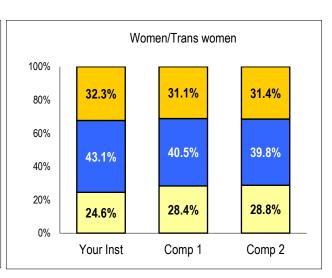
Science Identity - The extent to which students conceive of themselves as scientists.

| | | Total | | M | en/Trans me | n | Women/Trans women | | |
|--|-----------|--------|--------|-----------|-------------|--------|-------------------|--------|--------|
| Dominican University | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 | Your Inst | Comp 1 | Comp 2 |
| Total (n) | 371 | 1,975 | 9,055 | 122 | 676 | 3,461 | 232 | 1,299 | 5,594 |
| ☐ High Science Identity | 31.3% | 30.2% | 29.2% | 27.0% | 28.7% | 25.6% | 32.3% | 31.1% | 31.4% |
| Average Science Identity | 44.7% | 42.3% | 41.3% | 49.2% | 45.2% | 43.7% | 43.1% | 40.5% | 39.8% |
| □ Low Science Identity | 24.0% | 27.5% | 29.6% | 23.8% | 26.1% | 30.8% | 24.6% | 28.4% | 28.8% |
| Significance (based on High score group) | - | | | - | | | - | | |

Note: Significance * p<.05, ** p<.01, *** p<.001







Survey items and estimation "weights":

To what extent are the following statements true of you:

I have a strong sense of belonging to the community of scientists (3.52)

I derive great personal satisfaction from working on a team that is doing important research (1.78)

I think of myself as a scientist (5.54)

I feel like I belong in the field of science (4.43)