

ACADEMIC ENGAGEMENT

First, how many of each type of assignment listed below have you completed as part of your coursework this past academic year? (N = 1027) TMS.x

	None	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six or more
Substantial essays of five pages or more.	28%	20%	16%	11%	7%	5%	13%
Library research papers of 5 pages or more.	49%	24%	11%	7%	3%	2%	3%
Scientific or primary source research papers of 5 pages or more.	63%	21%	8%	4%	2%	1%	1%
Service learning, internship or field projects.	70%	18%	7%	3%	1%	0%	1%
Required presentations involving the use of media (e.g. overheads, powerpoint, slides, etc.).	33%	23%	19%	11%	6%	3%	5%

The following questions are about things you may have done during this past academic year that relate to your academic life. Please indicate the extent to which you engaged in each of the following: (N = 1027) ENG.x

	Not At All	A Little	Somewhat	Quite a Bit	A Lot	Quite A Lot	A Great Deal
I approached teachers to discuss ideas for a class paper or project.	19%	30%	24%	13%	7%	4%	3%
I asked instructors to give me comments or criticisms about my work.	31%	25%	19%	12%	6%	3%	2%
I formed friendships based on shared academic activities or interests.	11%	20%	27%	20%	12%	7%	4%
If there was material I didn't understand, I asked about it in class.	15%	26%	25%	14%	10%	5%	5%
I contributed to classroom discussions by bringing up new ideas in class.	16%	25%	25%	13%	10%	6%	5%
I talked about course material I was learning with someone else other than a teacher.	3%	10%	17%	25%	19%	13%	13%

SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT

During the past academic year, how many times did you attend or participate in any of the following events or activities organized by Western? (N = 395, asked of students in randomizing group 1) PRG.x

	# Did Not Attend	# Attended	1 Once	2 Twice	3 Times	4 Times	5 + Times
Distinguished Lecture Series	249	146	59%	31%	5%	3%	1%
Other Special Academic Presentations	190	205	50%	28%	15%	2%	5%
Information Fairs or Sessions	122	273	50%	35%	10%	3%	2%
Special Advising or Learning Workshops or Sessions	261	134	57%	26%	8%	4%	4%
University Organized Social Events	122	273	32%	26%	16%	8%	18%

Please indicate how much time you typically spent engaged in each of the following activities during this past academic year. (N = 395, asked of students in randomizing group 1) COLL.x

	None	A little	Some	Quite a bit	A great deal
Student government	81%	11%	4%	2%	2%
Socializing with friends	1%	2%	16%	39%	43%
Sports, exercise or other recreational activities	4%	17%	27%	30%	22%
Performing or fine arts activities	40%	27%	16%	10%	7%
Academic, political, ethnic, religious or social clubs	49%	22%	12%	10%	8%
Community service, volunteer work or service learning projects	42%	29%	15%	8%	6%

Thinking back over the past academic year, to what extent were you involved in each of the following activities? (N = 205, asked of randomization group 2) ACT.x

	Not At All	A Little	Some-what	Quite a Bit	A Lot	Quite A Lot	A Great Deal
Academic clubs (e.g., language clubs, fine arts, honors society).	65%	20%	6%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Organized team sports or other recreational exercise activities.	37%	13%	14%	12%	9%	8%	9%
Non-academic school clubs (e.g. student government, religious, social).	57%	12%	8%	5%	7%	4%	6%
Other non-academic school activities (e.g., assisting coaches, teachers).	64%	11%	8%	6%	3%	4%	3%
Community services or volunteer work.	47%	21%	15%	7%	3%	2%	4%
Course related service learning projects.	72%	12%	8%	4%	1%	1%	0%

Thinking back over the past academic year, to what extent did you spend your time engaged in each of the following activities outside of school? (N = 204, asked of randomization group 3) ACT.x

	Not At All	A Little	Some-what	Quite a Bit	A Lot	Quite A Lot	A Great Deal
Socializing with friends.		4%	13%	23%	24%	22%	15%
Recreational television watching.	18%	27%	26%	15%	7%	5%	2%
Recreational internet use and computer/vide	5%	14%	24%	20%	16%	12%	8%
Reading the newspaper or other sources of	6%	35%	27%	18%	12%	3%	1%
Watching/listening to information or news	22%	36%	21%	8%	10%	2%	1%
Participating in civic activities or political a	48%	29%	15%	4%	3%	1%	0%

Below is a list of statements about the student culture at Western. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the statement that "Western is a place where... (N = 633, asked of the randomizing groups 2, 3 and 4) PER.x

	1 Strongly Disagree	2	3	4 Neither Agree Nor Disagree	5	6	7 Strongly Agree
... students are regularly engaged in intellectual/academic discussions outside the classroom.	2%	7%	9%	18%	40%	19%	6%
... students are focused on social relationships more than academics.	1%	5%	18%	38%	23%	12%	3%
... there is a lot of drinking and pot smoking (or other drug use).	1%	6%	14%	23%	29%	19%	8%
... life in the residence halls is clearly separate from life in the classroom.	3%	7%	15%	30%	22%	16%	8%
... students accept others with different lifestyles, ability levels and values.	1%	3%	5%	10%	24%	35%	21%