

SAU Student Engagement

2009 NSSE Results

(36% response rate; maximum margin of error +/- 5%)

COMPONENT #1:
HOW THE INSTITUTION DEPLOYS ITS RESOURCES AND ORGANIZES LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES TO GET STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVITIES LINKED TO STUDENT LEARNING

COMPONENT #2:
THE AMOUNT OF TIME AND EFFORT STUDENTS PUT INTO THEIR STUDIES AND OTHER EDUCATIONALLY PURPOSEFUL ACTIVITIES

69% of freshmen received prompt written or oral **feedback from faculty** on their academic performance

77% of seniors received prompt written or oral **feedback from faculty** on their academic performance

60% of students rate faculty as **available, helpful, and sympathetic**

26% of freshmen did **not** plan to work on a **research project with faculty** outside of class

51% of seniors did **not** plan to work on a **research project with faculty** outside of class

42% of freshmen report that their **exams strongly challenge them to do their best work**

48% of seniors report that their **exams strongly challenge them to do their best work**

19% of freshmen often come to class **without** completing readings or assignments.

18% of seniors often come to class **without** completing readings or assignments.

56% of freshmen often worked harder than they thought they could to meet an instructor's standards

58% of seniors often worked harder than they thought they could to meet an instructor's standards

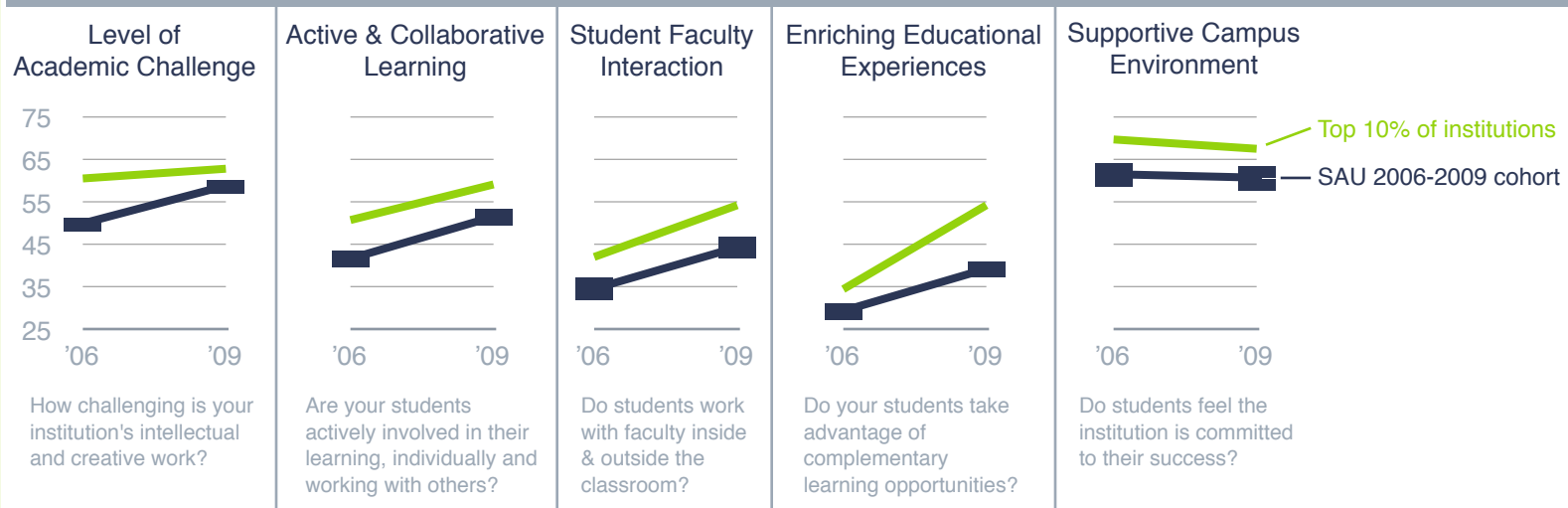
77% of students feel SAU places substantial emphasis on academics

12.0 hours time SAU students spent **socializing & relaxing** each week

14.3 hours time SAU students spent **preparing for class** each week

SAU STUDENTS REPORT GREATER ENGAGEMENT AS THEY MOVE FROM FRESHMEN TO SENIORS
BUT OUR STUDENTS ARE LESS ENGAGED THAN STUDENTS AT THE TOP 10% OF INSTITUTIONS FROM 2006-09

5 BENCHMARKS OF EFFECTIVE EDUCATIONAL PRACTICE



Source: 2006, 2009 NSSE Benchmark and Means Reports. <http://nsse.iub.edu/>

40% of SAU students, if they could start over again, would definitely attend SAU

39% of SAU students rate their educational experience as "excellent"