# NSSE 2014 Topical Module
# Global Perspectives—Cognitive and Social

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## About This Topical Module

NSSE has partnered with the Global Perspective Institute to derive a short module from the Global Perspective Inventory (GPI). The module probes the cognitive and social elements of a global perspective, asking about experiences with global learning and views on intercultural understanding. The module complements questions on the core survey about student experiences with people from different backgrounds, course emphasis on integrative and reflective learning, and participation in study abroad.

### Comparison Group

This section summarizes how this module's comparison group was identified, including selection criteria and whether the default option was taken. This is followed by the resulting list of institutions represented in the 'Global Perspectives' column of this report.

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| Group label | Global Perspectives |
| Date submitted | Not applicable; comparison group not customized. |
| How was this comparison group constructed? | Your institution did not customize this comparison group; the default group (all module participants) was used. |
| Group description | Default comparison group |

### 'Global Perspectives' institutions (N=74)

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|---|---|
| Anderson University (Anderson, SC) | New York Institute of Technology (Old Westbury, NY) |
| Belmont University (Nashville, TN) | Niagara University (Niagara University, NY) |
| Bridgewater State University (Bridgewater, MA) | Notre Dame of Maryland University (Baltimore, MD) |
| California College of the Arts (Oakland, CA) | Nyack College (Nyack, NY) |
| College of Our Lady of the Elms (Chicopee, MA) | Oklahoma City University (Oklahoma City, OK) |
| Concordia University-Saint Paul (Saint Paul, MN) | Pepperdine University (Malibu, CA) |
| CUNY Herbert H. Lehman College (Bronx, NY) | Roanoke College (Salem, VA) |
| Dakota Wesleyan University (Mitchell, SD) | Roger Williams University (Bristol, RI) |
| Dominican University (River Forest, IL) | Rollins College (Winter Park, FL) |
| Dominican University of California (San Rafael, CA) | Saint Mary's University (Halifax, NS) |
| Elmhurst College (Elmhurst, IL) | Southwestern Christian University (Bethany, OK) |
| Elon University (Elon, NC) | St. John's University-New York (Queens, NY) |
| Fayetteville State University (Fayetteville, NC) | SUNY College at Oneonta (Oneonta, NY) |
| Friends University (Wichita, KS) | SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry (Syracuse, NY) |
| Grinnell College (Grinnell, IA) | Taylor University (Upland, IN) |
| Grove City College (Grove City, PA) | Tennessee Technological University (Cookeville, TN) |
| Harvey Mudd College (Claremont, CA) | The State University of New York at Geneseo (Geneseo, NY) |
| Hawaii Pacific University (Honolulu, HI) | The University of Findlay (Findlay, OH) |
| Juniata College (Huntingdon, PA) | The University of Texas at Arlington (Arlington, TX) |
| Keuka College (Keuka Park, NY) | Trinity Western University (Langley, BC) |
| Linfield College - McMinnville Campus (McMinnville, OR) | Truett-McConnell College (Cleveland, GA) |
| Linfield College-Adult Degree Program (McMinnville, OR) | University of Alabama at Birmingham (Birmingham, AL) |
| Linfield College-School of Nursing (Portland, OR) | University of Delaware (Newark, DE) |
| Lycoming College (Williamsport, PA) | University of Denver (Denver, CO) |
| Malone University (Canton, OH) | University of Detroit Mercy (Detroit, MI) |
| Manchester University (North Manchester, IN) | University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Urbana, IL) |
| Maryville University of Saint Louis (Saint Louis, MO) | University of Louisiana at Lafayette (Lafayette, LA) |
| Minneapolis College of Art and Design (Minneapolis, MN) | University of Massachusetts Boston (Boston, MA) |
| Montana State University-Bozeman (Bozeman, MT) | University of Michigan-Dearborn (Dearborn, MI) |
| Nebraska Wesleyan University (Lincoln, NE) | University of Minnesota-Crookston (Crookston, MN) |

## 'Global Perspectives' institutions (N=74), continued

University of Mississippi (University, MS)

University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls, IA)

University of Pikeville (Pikeville, KY)

University of Prince Edward Island (Charlottetown, PE)

University of Wisconsin-River Falls (River Falls, WI)

Utah Valley University (Orem, UT)

Vancouver Island University (Nanaimo, BC)

Washington and Lee University (Lexington, VA)

Western International University (Phoenix, AZ)

Westminster College (Fulton, MO)

Wheaton College (Norton, MA)

Wingate University (Wingate, NC)

Winthrop University (Rock Hill, SC)

Worcester State University (Worcester, MA)

# NSSE 2014 Global Perspectives—Cognitive and Social
## Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons
## Auburn University

## First-Year Students

| Item wording or description | Variable name | Values [c] | Response options | Frequency Distributions [a] | | | | Statistical Comparisons [b] | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Auburn | | Global Perspectives | | Auburn | Global Perspectives | |
| | | | | Count | % | Count | % | Mean | Mean | Effect size [d] |
| **1. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?** | | | | | | | | | | |
| a. When I notice cultural differences, my culture tends to have the better approach. | GPI01a | 1 | Strongly disagree | 17 | 4 | 707 | 5 | **3.1** | 3.1 | .05 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 53 | 13 | 1,956 | 14 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 220 | 59 | 7,597 | 58 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 64 | 17 | 2,318 | 18 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 25 | 7 | 713 | 6 | | | |
| | | | Total | 379 | 100 | 13,291 | 100 | | | |
| b. Most of my friends are from my own ethnic background. | GPI01b | 1 | Strongly disagree | 11 | 3 | 836 | 6 | **3.7** | 3.4 *** ▲ | .32 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 45 | 12 | 2,569 | 19 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 58 | 15 | 2,244 | 18 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 187 | 50 | 5,888 | 44 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 78 | 20 | 1,736 | 13 | | | |
| | | | Total | 379 | 100 | 13,273 | 100 | | | |
| c. I think of my life in terms of giving back to society. | GPI01c | 1 | Strongly disagree | 3 | 1 | 179 | 1 | **3.6** | 3.6 | -.01 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 32 | 9 | 1,021 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 127 | 34 | 4,220 | 32 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 159 | 40 | 5,904 | 44 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 57 | 15 | 1,902 | 14 | | | |
| | | | Total | 378 | 100 | 13,226 | 100 | | | |
| d. Some people have a culture and others do not. | GPI01d | 1 | Strongly disagree | 93 | 24 | 2,876 | 21 | **2.4** | 2.5 * ▽ | -.11 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 123 | 33 | 4,313 | 32 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 103 | 27 | 3,507 | 27 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 45 | 12 | 2,025 | 16 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 14 | 4 | 491 | 4 | | | |
| | | | Total | 378 | 100 | 13,212 | 100 | | | |
| e. In different settings, what is right and wrong is simple to determine. | GPI01e | 1 | Strongly disagree | 21 | 6 | 907 | 7 | **3.2** | 3.1 | .04 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 86 | 23 | 3,192 | 23 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 107 | 28 | 3,729 | 28 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 129 | 34 | 4,246 | 33 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 35 | 9 | 1,134 | 9 | | | |
| | | | Total | 378 | 100 | 13,208 | 100 | | | |
| f. I am informed of current issues that impact international relations. | GPI01f | 1 | Strongly disagree | 5 | 1 | 450 | 3 | **3.5** | 3.4 | .08 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 68 | 18 | 2,343 | 17 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 97 | 26 | 3,706 | 28 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 155 | 41 | 5,318 | 41 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 50 | 14 | 1,391 | 12 | | | |
| | | | Total | 375 | 100 | 13,208 | 100 | | | |
| g. I understand the reasons and causes of conflict among nations of different cultures. | GPI01g | 1 | Strongly disagree | 3 | 1 | 299 | 2 | **3.6** | 3.5 | .09 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 44 | 12 | 1,811 | 13 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 102 | 26 | 3,710 | 28 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 184 | 50 | 6,093 | 46 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 42 | 11 | 1,334 | 11 | | | |
| | | | Total | 375 | 100 | 13,247 | 100 | | | |

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## Frequencies and Statistical Comparisons
## Auburn University

## First-Year Students

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| h. I work for the rights of others. | GPI01h | 1 | Strongly disagree | 1 | 0 | 150 | 1 | **3.6** | 3.5 | .10 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 31 | 9 | 992 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 139 | 37 | 5,525 | 42 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 158 | 42 | 5,119 | 38 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 48 | 12 | 1,447 | 11 | | | |
| | | | Total | 377 | 100 | 13,233 | 100 | | | |
| i. I take into account different perspectives before drawing conclusions about the world around me. | GPI01i | 1 | Strongly disagree | 0 | 0 | 45 | 0 | **4.0** | 4.0 | -.02 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 10 | 3 | 338 | 3 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 69 | 18 | 2,239 | 17 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 207 | 55 | 7,379 | 55 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 90 | 24 | 3,219 | 25 | | | |
| | | | Total | 376 | 100 | 13,220 | 100 | | | |
| j. I understand how various cultures of this world interact socially. | GPI01j | 1 | Strongly disagree | 2 | 1 | 91 | 1 | **3.7** | 3.7 | .03 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 26 | 7 | 1,068 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 101 | 27 | 3,626 | 27 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 194 | 52 | 6,683 | 50 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 52 | 14 | 1,737 | 14 | | | |
| | | | Total | 375 | 100 | 13,205 | 100 | | | |
| k. I consider different cultural perspectives when evaluating global problems. | GPI01k | 1 | Strongly disagree | 5 | 2 | 98 | 1 | **3.7** | 3.8 | -.07 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 22 | 6 | 604 | 5 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 98 | 26 | 3,555 | 27 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 182 | 49 | 6,728 | 50 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 65 | 17 | 2,186 | 17 | | | |
| | | | Total | 372 | 100 | 13,171 | 100 | | | |
| l. I rely primarily on authorities to determine what is true in the world. | GPI01l | 1 | Strongly disagree | 55 | 15 | 1,893 | 15 | **2.5** | 2.6 | -.03 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 148 | 39 | 4,794 | 36 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 113 | 29 | 4,096 | 31 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 50 | 14 | 2,085 | 16 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 11 | 3 | 353 | 3 | | | |
| | | | Total | 377 | 100 | 13,221 | 100 | | | |
| m. I know how to analyze the basic characteristics of a culture. | GPI01m | 1 | Strongly disagree | 0 | 0 | 93 | 1 | **3.8** | 3.6 *** △ | .21 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 16 | 4 | 897 | 7 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 94 | 25 | 3,998 | 30 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 221 | 59 | 7,238 | 55 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 42 | 12 | 976 | 8 | | | |
| | | | Total | 373 | 100 | 13,202 | 100 | | | |
| n. I put the needs of others above my own personal wants. | GPI01n | 1 | Strongly disagree | 3 | 1 | 124 | 1 | **3.7** | 3.6 * △ | .10 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 19 | 5 | 927 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 114 | 30 | 4,241 | 33 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 183 | 49 | 5,959 | 44 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 57 | 15 | 1,958 | 15 | | | |
| | | | Total | 376 | 100 | 13,209 | 100 | | | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| o. I can discuss cultural differences from an informed perspective. | GPI01o | 1 | Strongly disagree | 0 | 0 | 123 | 1 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 30 | 8 | 1,182 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 101 | 27 | 4,066 | 31 | 3.7 | 3.6 * | .12 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 197 | 53 | 6,466 | 49 | | △ | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 46 | 12 | 1,336 | 11 | | | |
| | | | Total | 374 | 100 | 13,173 | 100 | | | |
| p. I intentionally involve people from many cultural backgrounds in my life. | GPI01p | 1 | Strongly disagree | 9 | 3 | 270 | 2 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 66 | 18 | 1,800 | 14 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 163 | 43 | 5,605 | 43 | 3.2 | 3.3 * | -.11 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 103 | 27 | 4,146 | 31 | | ▽ | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 35 | 9 | 1,392 | 11 | | | |
| | | | Total | 376 | 100 | 13,213 | 100 | | | |
| q. I rarely question what I have been taught about the world around me. | GPI01q | 1 | Strongly disagree | 64 | 17 | 2,327 | 18 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 152 | 40 | 5,250 | 39 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 93 | 24 | 3,324 | 25 | 2.5 | 2.4 | .02 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 61 | 17 | 1,942 | 14 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 7 | 2 | 375 | 3 | | | |
| | | | Total | 377 | 100 | 13,218 | 100 | | | |
| r. I consciously behave in terms of making a difference. | GPI01r | 1 | Strongly disagree | 2 | 1 | 79 | 1 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 21 | 6 | 785 | 6 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 124 | 33 | 4,727 | 37 | 3.6 | 3.6 | .04 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 194 | 52 | 6,156 | 46 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 34 | 9 | 1,448 | 11 | | | |
| | | | Total | 375 | 100 | 13,195 | 100 | | | |
| s. Volunteering is not an important priority in my life. | GPI01s | 1 | Strongly disagree | 76 | 19 | 2,413 | 17 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 150 | 39 | 4,930 | 36 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 99 | 27 | 3,641 | 29 | 2.4 | 2.5 * | -.11 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 44 | 13 | 1,755 | 14 | | ▽ | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 7 | 2 | 412 | 3 | | | |
| | | | Total | 376 | 100 | 13,151 | 100 | | | |
| t. I frequently interact with people from a different country from my own. | GPI01t | 1 | Strongly disagree | 19 | 5 | 413 | 3 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 114 | 30 | 2,478 | 19 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 116 | 31 | 3,829 | 29 | 3.1 | 3.4 *** | -.31 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 87 | 23 | 4,539 | 33 | | ▼ | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 40 | 11 | 1,943 | 15 | | | |
| | | | Total | 376 | 100 | 13,202 | 100 | | | |
| u. I frequently interact with people from a race/ethnic group different from my own. | GPI01u | 1 | Strongly disagree | 4 | 1 | 202 | 2 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 47 | 13 | 1,223 | 9 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 97 | 25 | 3,145 | 24 | 3.7 | 3.8 | -.09 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 150 | 40 | 5,666 | 42 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 77 | 21 | 2,968 | 23 | | | |
| | | | Total | 375 | 100 | 13,204 | 100 | | | |

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## Auburn University

## Seniors

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Auburn | | Global Perspectives | | Auburn | Global Perspectives | |
| | | | | Count | % | Count | % | Mean | Mean | Effect size[d] |
| **1. How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements?** | | | | | | | | | | |
| a. When I notice cultural differences, my culture tends to have the better approach. | GPI01a | 1 | Strongly disagree | 21 | 3 | 1,365 | 7 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 118 | 16 | 3,323 | 18 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 422 | 59 | 10,072 | 56 | **3.0** | 2.9 *** | .14 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 131 | 19 | 2,550 | 14 | △ | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 23 | 3 | 772 | 5 | | | |
| | | | Total | 715 | 100 | 18,082 | 100 | | | |
| b. Most of my friends are from my own ethnic background. | GPI01b | 1 | Strongly disagree | 15 | 2 | 1,115 | 6 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 82 | 11 | 3,345 | 19 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 79 | 11 | 2,745 | 16 | **3.8** | 3.4 *** | .38 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 375 | 52 | 8,296 | 45 | ▲ | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 167 | 23 | 2,568 | 14 | | | |
| | | | Total | 718 | 100 | 18,069 | 100 | | | |
| c. I think of my life in terms of giving back to society. | GPI01c | 1 | Strongly disagree | 7 | 1 | 232 | 1 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 61 | 9 | 1,346 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 214 | 30 | 4,947 | 28 | **3.7** | 3.7 | -.05 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 310 | 43 | 8,257 | 45 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 125 | 17 | 3,229 | 18 | | | |
| | | | Total | 717 | 100 | 18,011 | 100 | | | |
| d. Some people have a culture and others do not. | GPI01d | 1 | Strongly disagree | 221 | 31 | 5,291 | 28 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 282 | 39 | 6,189 | 34 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 145 | 20 | 4,042 | 23 | **2.1** | 2.3 *** | -.14 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 57 | 8 | 1,981 | 12 | ▽ | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 11 | 2 | 482 | 3 | | | |
| | | | Total | 716 | 100 | 17,985 | 100 | | | |
| e. In different settings, what is right and wrong is simple to determine. | GPI01e | 1 | Strongly disagree | 42 | 6 | 1,705 | 9 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 210 | 29 | 5,247 | 28 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 177 | 25 | 4,814 | 27 | **3.1** | 3.0 ** | .12 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 217 | 31 | 4,868 | 28 | △ | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 72 | 10 | 1,357 | 8 | | | |
| | | | Total | 718 | 100 | 17,991 | 100 | | | |
| f. I am informed of current issues that impact international relations. | GPI01f | 1 | Strongly disagree | 18 | 2 | 536 | 3 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 129 | 17 | 2,720 | 14 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 154 | 21 | 4,533 | 25 | **3.5** | 3.5 | .00 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 312 | 45 | 7,814 | 44 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 102 | 15 | 2,368 | 14 | | | |
| | | | Total | 715 | 100 | 17,971 | 100 | | | |
| g. I understand the reasons and causes of conflict among nations of different cultures. | GPI01g | 1 | Strongly disagree | 10 | 1 | 360 | 2 | | | |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 131 | 17 | 2,399 | 12 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 161 | 23 | 5,067 | 28 | **3.5** | 3.5 | -.04 |
| | | 4 | Agree | 335 | 48 | 8,242 | 46 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 77 | 11 | 1,962 | 12 | | | |
| | | | Total | 714 | 100 | 18,030 | 100 | | | |

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## Seniors

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | Auburn | | Global Perspectives | | Auburn | Global Perspectives | |
| | | | | Count | % | Count | % | Mean | Mean | Effect size [d] |
| h. I work for the rights of others. | GPI01h | 1 | Strongly disagree | 7 | 1 | 243 | 1 | 3.5 | 3.5 | -.01 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 56 | 8 | 1,423 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 278 | 39 | 6,908 | 39 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 290 | 40 | 7,034 | 38 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 84 | 12 | 2,397 | 13 | | | |
| | | | Total | 715 | 100 | 18,005 | 100 | | | |
| i. I take into account different perspectives before drawing conclusions about the world around me. | GPI01i | 1 | Strongly disagree | 3 | 0 | 48 | 0 | 4.1 | 4.1 | -.03 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 14 | 2 | 315 | 2 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 92 | 13 | 2,333 | 13 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 407 | 57 | 10,017 | 55 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 197 | 28 | 5,273 | 30 | | | |
| | | | Total | 713 | 100 | 17,986 | 100 | | | |
| j. I understand how various cultures of this world interact socially. | GPI01j | 1 | Strongly disagree | 6 | 1 | 119 | 1 | 3.6 | 3.7 ** ▽ | -.13 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 72 | 10 | 1,237 | 7 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 194 | 28 | 4,816 | 27 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 352 | 49 | 9,235 | 51 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 89 | 12 | 2,566 | 15 | | | |
| | | | Total | 713 | 100 | 17,973 | 100 | | | |
| k. I consider different cultural perspectives when evaluating global problems. | GPI01k | 1 | Strongly disagree | 2 | 0 | 116 | 1 | 3.9 | 3.9 | -.06 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 27 | 4 | 561 | 3 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 168 | 24 | 3,857 | 22 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 372 | 53 | 9,628 | 53 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 139 | 19 | 3,759 | 21 | | | |
| | | | Total | 708 | 100 | 17,921 | 100 | | | |
| l. I rely primarily on authorities to determine what is true in the world. | GPI01l | 1 | Strongly disagree | 120 | 18 | 3,167 | 18 | 2.4 | 2.4 | -.01 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 308 | 43 | 7,324 | 40 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 171 | 25 | 4,809 | 27 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 99 | 13 | 2,338 | 13 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 13 | 2 | 363 | 2 | | | |
| | | | Total | 711 | 100 | 18,001 | 100 | | | |
| m. I know how to analyze the basic characteristics of a culture. | GPI01m | 1 | Strongly disagree | 0 | 0 | 82 | 0 | 3.7 | 3.7 | .07 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 40 | 6 | 1,057 | 6 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 169 | 24 | 4,838 | 27 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 435 | 61 | 10,337 | 57 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 68 | 9 | 1,648 | 10 | | | |
| | | | Total | 712 | 100 | 17,962 | 100 | | | |
| n. I put the needs of others above my own personal wants. | GPI01n | 1 | Strongly disagree | 5 | 1 | 155 | 1 | 3.7 | 3.6 | .07 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 48 | 7 | 1,297 | 8 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 198 | 28 | 5,553 | 32 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 350 | 49 | 8,335 | 45 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 112 | 15 | 2,638 | 14 | | | |
| | | | Total | 713 | 100 | 17,978 | 100 | | | |

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| Item wording or description | Variable name | Values[c] | Response options | Frequency Distributions[a] Auburn Count | % | Global Perspectives Count | % | Statistical Comparisons[b] Auburn Mean | Global Perspectives Mean | Effect size[d] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| o. I can discuss cultural differences from an informed perspective. | GPI01o | 1 | Strongly disagree | 7 | 1 | 112 | 1 | 3.7 | 3.8 | -.03 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 60 | 8 | 1,163 | 6 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 160 | 22 | 4,369 | 24 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 391 | 56 | 9,864 | 55 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 93 | 13 | 2,404 | 14 | | | |
| | | | Total | 711 | 100 | 17,912 | 100 | | | |
| p. I intentionally involve people from many cultural backgrounds in my life. | GPI01p | 1 | Strongly disagree | 24 | 4 | 347 | 2 | 3.2 | 3.3 *** ▽ | -.17 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 142 | 20 | 2,647 | 15 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 305 | 42 | 7,547 | 42 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 170 | 24 | 5,531 | 31 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 73 | 10 | 1,897 | 11 | | | |
| | | | Total | 714 | 100 | 17,969 | 100 | | | |
| q. I rarely question what I have been taught about the world around me. | GPI01q | 1 | Strongly disagree | 184 | 26 | 4,259 | 25 | 2.1 | 2.2 * ▽ | -.08 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 325 | 45 | 7,947 | 43 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 143 | 20 | 3,682 | 20 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 50 | 7 | 1,678 | 9 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 12 | 2 | 393 | 2 | | | |
| | | | Total | 714 | 100 | 17,959 | 100 | | | |
| r. I consciously behave in terms of making a difference. | GPI01r | 1 | Strongly disagree | 4 | 1 | 117 | 1 | 3.7 | 3.7 | -.01 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 40 | 6 | 963 | 5 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 218 | 31 | 5,613 | 32 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 358 | 51 | 8,751 | 48 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 92 | 12 | 2,516 | 14 | | | |
| | | | Total | 712 | 100 | 17,960 | 100 | | | |
| s. Volunteering is not an important priority in my life. | GPI01s | 1 | Strongly disagree | 129 | 17 | 3,409 | 18 | 2.5 | 2.5 | .00 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 290 | 39 | 6,873 | 38 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 178 | 26 | 4,750 | 27 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 95 | 14 | 2,363 | 14 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 19 | 3 | 525 | 3 | | | |
| | | | Total | 711 | 100 | 17,920 | 100 | | | |
| t. I frequently interact with people from a different country from my own. | GPI01t | 1 | Strongly disagree | 32 | 5 | 540 | 3 | 3.2 | 3.5 *** ▽ | -.28 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 204 | 28 | 3,435 | 18 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 185 | 26 | 4,647 | 26 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 216 | 31 | 6,415 | 36 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 75 | 11 | 2,928 | 17 | | | |
| | | | Total | 712 | 100 | 17,965 | 100 | | | |
| u. I frequently interact with people from a race/ethnic group different from my own. | GPI01u | 1 | Strongly disagree | 12 | 2 | 252 | 1 | 3.6 | 3.8 ** ▽ | -.13 |
| | | 2 | Disagree | 110 | 15 | 2,021 | 10 | | | |
| | | 3 | Neither agree nor disagree | 143 | 20 | 3,884 | 22 | | | |
| | | 4 | Agree | 321 | 45 | 7,895 | 44 | | | |
| | | 5 | Strongly agree | 125 | 19 | 3,894 | 23 | | | |
| | | | Total | 711 | 100 | 17,946 | 100 | | | |

*p<.05, **p<.01, ***p<.001 (2-tailed); Refer to the Endnotes page for a key to the triangle symbols.
Note: For some items, lower scores are preferable due to wording.

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## Detailed Statistics[e]
## Auburn University

## First-Year Students

| Variable name | N | Mean | | Standard error[f] | | Standard deviation[g] | | DF[h] | Sig.[i] | Effect size[d] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Auburn | Auburn | Global Perspectives | Auburn | Global Perspectives | Auburn | Global Perspectives | Comparisons with: Global Perspectives | | |
| GPI01a | 378 | 3.09 | 3.05 | .04 | .01 | 0.86 | 0.87 | 9,126 | .385 | .05 |
| GPI01b | 378 | 3.73 | 3.37 | .05 | .01 | 1.01 | 1.12 | 418 | .000 | .32 |
| GPI01c | 377 | 3.61 | 3.62 | .05 | .01 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 9,079 | .861 | -.01 |
| GPI01d | 377 | 2.39 | 2.51 | .06 | .01 | 1.10 | 1.11 | 9,073 | .039 | -.11 |
| GPI01e | 377 | 3.18 | 3.14 | .06 | .01 | 1.07 | 1.09 | 9,069 | .451 | .04 |
| GPI01f | 374 | 3.49 | 3.41 | .05 | .01 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 9,068 | .147 | .08 |
| GPI01g | 374 | 3.60 | 3.52 | .04 | .01 | 0.87 | 0.92 | 410 | .082 | .09 |
| GPI01h | 376 | 3.57 | 3.49 | .04 | .01 | 0.83 | 0.84 | 9,087 | .070 | .10 |
| GPI01i | 375 | 4.00 | 4.01 | .04 | .01 | 0.73 | 0.75 | 9,078 | .720 | -.02 |
| GPI01j | 374 | 3.71 | 3.68 | .04 | .01 | 0.81 | 0.83 | 9,066 | .510 | .03 |
| GPI01k | 371 | 3.74 | 3.79 | .05 | .01 | 0.87 | 0.81 | 398 | .251 | -.07 |
| GPI01l | 376 | 2.52 | 2.55 | .05 | .01 | 1.00 | 1.01 | 9,072 | .509 | -.03 |
| GPI01m | 372 | 3.79 | 3.63 | .04 | .01 | 0.70 | 0.76 | 409 | .000 | .21 |
| GPI01n | 375 | 3.72 | 3.63 | .04 | .01 | 0.81 | 0.86 | 412 | .045 | .10 |
| GPI01o | 373 | 3.70 | 3.60 | .04 | .01 | 0.78 | 0.82 | 408 | .015 | .12 |
| GPI01p | 375 | 3.23 | 3.34 | .05 | .01 | 0.94 | 0.92 | 9,066 | .032 | -.11 |
| GPI01q | 376 | 2.46 | 2.45 | .05 | .01 | 1.03 | 1.04 | 9,070 | .748 | .02 |
| GPI01r | 374 | 3.64 | 3.60 | .04 | .01 | 0.75 | 0.79 | 9,053 | .416 | .04 |
| GPI01s | 375 | 2.39 | 2.51 | .05 | .01 | 1.00 | 1.04 | 9,028 | .034 | -.11 |
| GPI01t | 375 | 3.05 | 3.38 | .06 | .01 | 1.09 | 1.05 | 9,056 | .000 | -.31 |
| GPI01u | 374 | 3.67 | 3.75 | .05 | .01 | 0.98 | 0.96 | 9,061 | .106 | -.09 |

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## Seniors

| Variable name | N | Mean | | Standard error[f] | | Standard deviation[g] | | DF[h] | Sig.[i] | Effect size[d] |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Auburn | Auburn | Global Perspectives | Auburn | Global Perspectives | Auburn | Global Perspectives | Comparisons with: Global Perspectives | | |
| GPI01a | 708 | 3.04 | 2.91 | .03 | .01 | 0.77 | 0.89 | 810 | .000 | .14 |
| GPI01b | 711 | 3.83 | 3.40 | .04 | .01 | 0.99 | 1.13 | 814 | .000 | .38 |
| GPI01c | 710 | 3.66 | 3.71 | .03 | .01 | 0.90 | 0.90 | 13,857 | .177 | -.05 |
| GPI01d | 709 | 2.11 | 2.27 | .04 | .01 | 0.99 | 1.08 | 802 | .000 | -.14 |
| GPI01e | 711 | 3.11 | 2.97 | .04 | .01 | 1.10 | 1.12 | 13,847 | .001 | .12 |
| GPI01f | 708 | 3.53 | 3.53 | .04 | .01 | 1.01 | 0.99 | 13,826 | .977 | .00 |
| GPI01g | 706 | 3.50 | 3.53 | .04 | .01 | 0.95 | 0.92 | 13,864 | .337 | -.04 |
| GPI01h | 708 | 3.53 | 3.54 | .03 | .01 | 0.84 | 0.88 | 13,852 | .778 | -.01 |
| GPI01i | 706 | 4.10 | 4.12 | .03 | .01 | 0.71 | 0.71 | 13,834 | .388 | -.03 |
| GPI01j | 706 | 3.62 | 3.72 | .03 | .01 | 0.86 | 0.82 | 775 | .002 | -.13 |
| GPI01k | 701 | 3.87 | 3.92 | .03 | .01 | 0.77 | 0.78 | 13,776 | .102 | -.06 |
| GPI01l | 704 | 2.39 | 2.40 | .04 | .01 | 0.98 | 1.00 | 13,843 | .743 | -.01 |
| GPI01m | 705 | 3.75 | 3.70 | .03 | .01 | 0.70 | 0.74 | 791 | .076 | .07 |
| GPI01n | 706 | 3.71 | 3.64 | .03 | .01 | 0.83 | 0.85 | 13,828 | .059 | .07 |
| GPI01o | 704 | 3.72 | 3.75 | .03 | .01 | 0.82 | 0.79 | 13,769 | .368 | -.03 |
| GPI01p | 707 | 3.17 | 3.33 | .04 | .01 | 0.98 | 0.92 | 13,818 | .000 | -.17 |
| GPI01q | 707 | 2.14 | 2.22 | .04 | .01 | 0.94 | 0.99 | 794 | .032 | -.08 |
| GPI01r | 705 | 3.68 | 3.69 | .03 | .01 | 0.78 | 0.80 | 13,813 | .737 | -.01 |
| GPI01s | 704 | 2.46 | 2.46 | .04 | .01 | 1.03 | 1.04 | 13,782 | .970 | .00 |
| GPI01t | 705 | 3.16 | 3.46 | .04 | .01 | 1.09 | 1.06 | 13,816 | .000 | -.28 |
| GPI01u | 704 | 3.64 | 3.76 | .04 | .01 | 1.00 | 0.96 | 774 | .002 | -.13 |

# Endnotes

a.  Column percentages are weighted by gender and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups). Percentages may not sum to 100 due to rounding. Counts are unweighted; column percentages cannot be replicated from counts.

b.  All statistics are weighted by gender and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups). Unless otherwise noted, statistical comparisons are two-tailed independent t-tests. Items with categorical response sets are left blank.

c.  These are the values used to calculate means. For the majority of items, these values match the codes in the data file and codebook.

d.  Effect size for independent t-tests uses Cohen's *d.*

e.  Statistics are weighted by gender and enrollment status (and institution size for comparison groups). Categorical items are not listed.

f.  The 95% confidence interval for the population mean is equal to the sample mean plus or minus 1.96 times the standard error of the mean.

g.  A measure of the amount individual scores deviate from the mean of all the scores in the distribution.

h.  Degrees of freedom used to compute the t-tests. Values differ from Ns due to weighting and whether equal variances were assumed.

i.  Statistical comparisons are two-tailed independent t-tests. Statistical significance represents the probability that the difference between your students' mean and that of the comparison group is due to chance.

*Key to symbols:*

▲   **Your students' average** was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.

△   **Your students' average** was significantly higher (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.

▽   **Your students' average** was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size less than .3 in magnitude.

▼   **Your students' average** was significantly lower (p < .05) with an effect size at least .3 in magnitude.