Procedures for Administering
the Beginning College Survey of Student Engagement (BCSSE)

The BCSSE survey is administered by the Office of Student Transitions and First-Year Center on a three-year cycle in conjunction with the National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE) and in collaboration with Institutional Planning, Assessment, and Research.

The BCSSE is administered on paper survey forms to incoming first-year students attending student orientation sessions during the summer preceding the spring administration of NSSE. Some of these incoming students will also take the NSSE which is given the following spring to first-year and senior students, and it is useful comparing their BCSSE and NSSE results. Results from the BCSSE (and NSSE) are made available in late summer or early fall of the same year.