

# SAU Student Engagement

2001-12 NSSE Results  
Response rates: 30%-38%  
Margin of error +/- 4%

## COMPONENT #1:

HOW ST. AMBROSE DEPLOYS ITS RESOURCES AND ORGANIZES LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES TO GET STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN ACTIVITIES LINKED TO STUDENT LEARNING

90% of freshmen

rate the **quality of academic advising** as either good or excellent

83% of seniors

91% of freshmen

believe SAU **emphasizes spending significant amounts of time studying and on academic work**

80% of seniors

Freshmen who plan to...

89% -- complete **internship** or **clinical experience**

87% -- **community service** or **volunteer work**

62% -- participate in a **learning community**

49% -- **study abroad**

33% -- work on **research with faculty outside of class**

88% of freshmen

rate their **educational experience** at SAU as good or excellent

89% of seniors

## COMPONENT #2:

THE AMOUNT OF TIME AND EFFORT STUDENTS PUT INTO THEIR STUDIES AND OTHER EDUCATIONALLY PURPOSEFUL ACTIVITIES

69% of freshmen

often **asked questions in class** or contributed to class discussions.

82% of seniors

17%

often come to class **without completing assignments**

55%

often **worked very hard** to meet expectations

65%

spend 10+ hrs/week **preparing for class**

48%

spend 10+ hrs/week **relaxing**

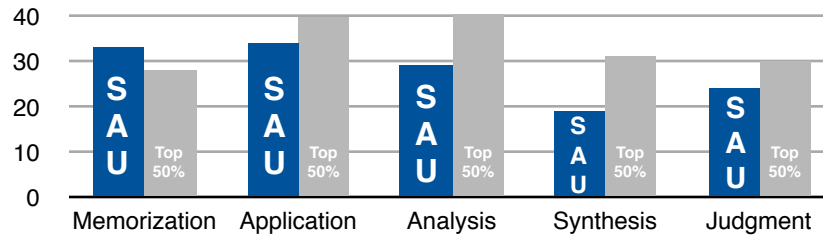
85% of freshmen

would probably or definitely **choose SAU again**, if they could start over again

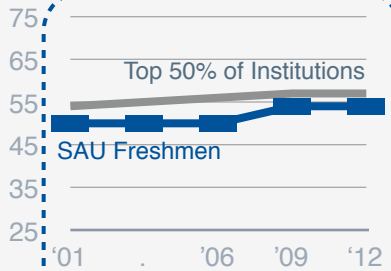
76% of seniors

# BENCHMARKS OF EFFECTIVE EDUCATIONAL PRACTICE -- ST. AMBROSE VS. TOP 50%

Coursework very much emphasizes:

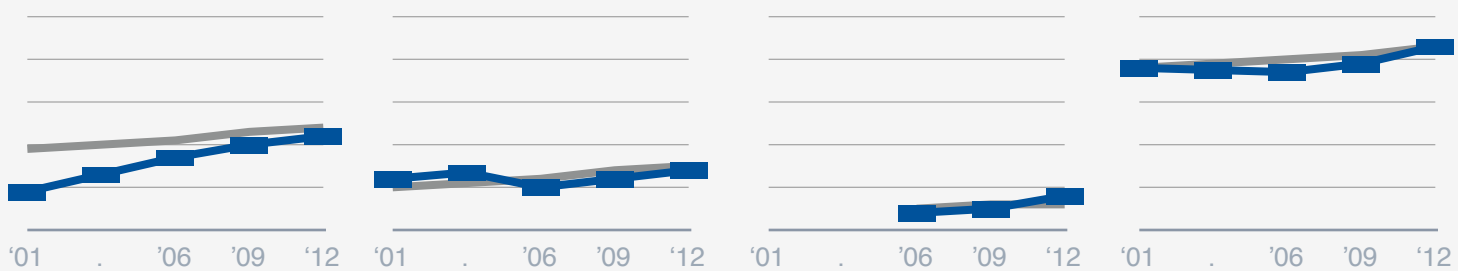


Nearly 90% of students believe SAU improved their critical thinking skills quite a bit or very much



## Level of Academic Challenge

How challenging is your institution's intellectual and creative work?



## Active & Collaborative Learning

Are students actively involved in learning, individually & working with others?

## Student - Faculty Interaction

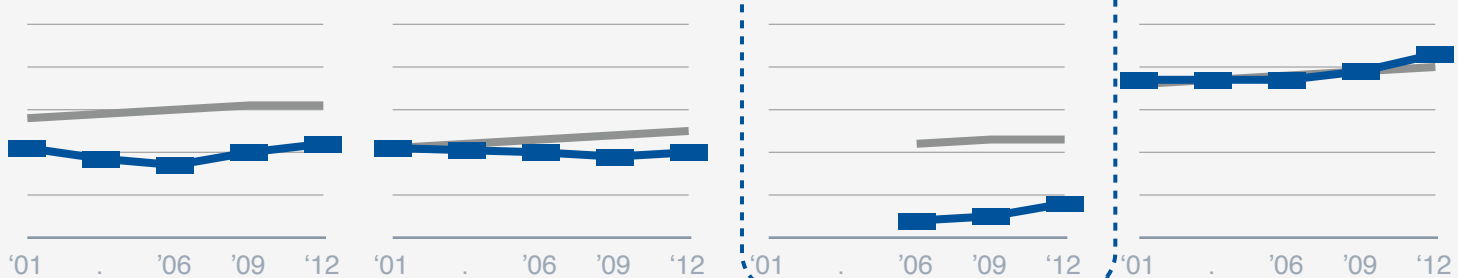
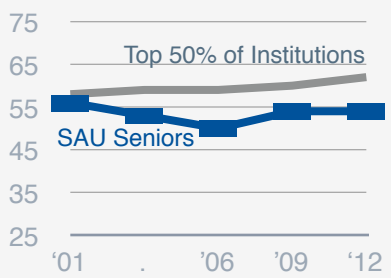
Do students work with faculty inside & outside the classroom?

## Enriching Educational Experiences

Do students take advantage of complementary learning opportunities?

## Supportive Campus Environment

Do students feel the institution is committed to their success?

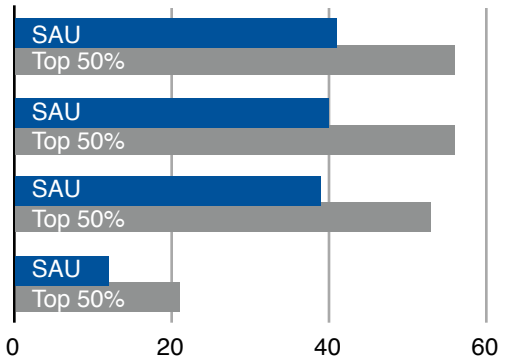


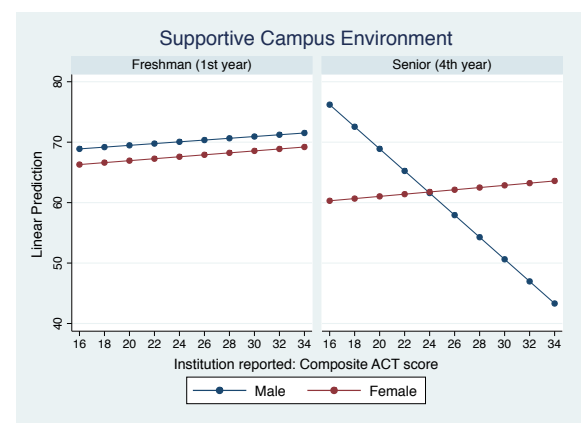
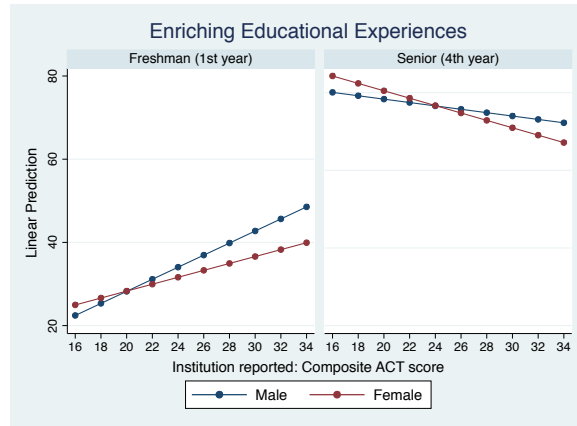
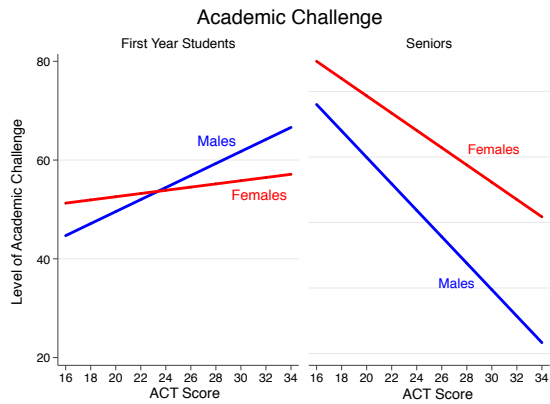
Campus often encourages contact among diverse students

Often converse with students with different religious, political ideas

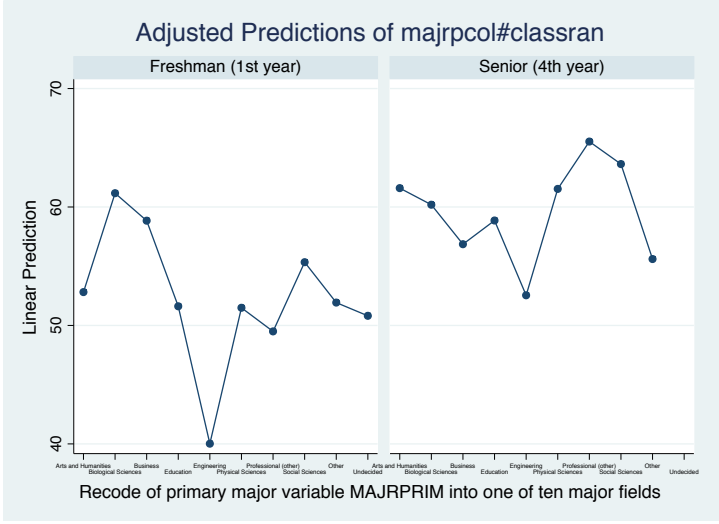
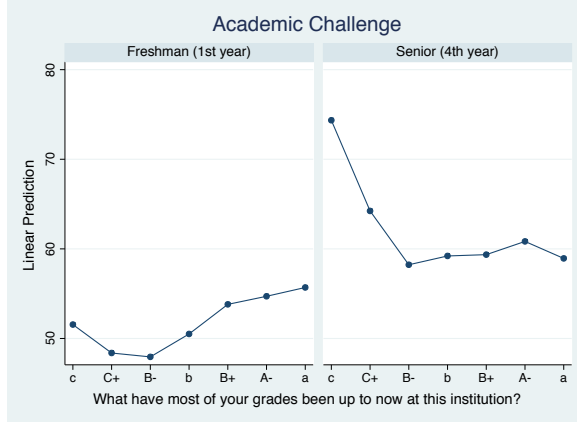
Often converse with students of a different race

10+ hours spent on co-curricular activities

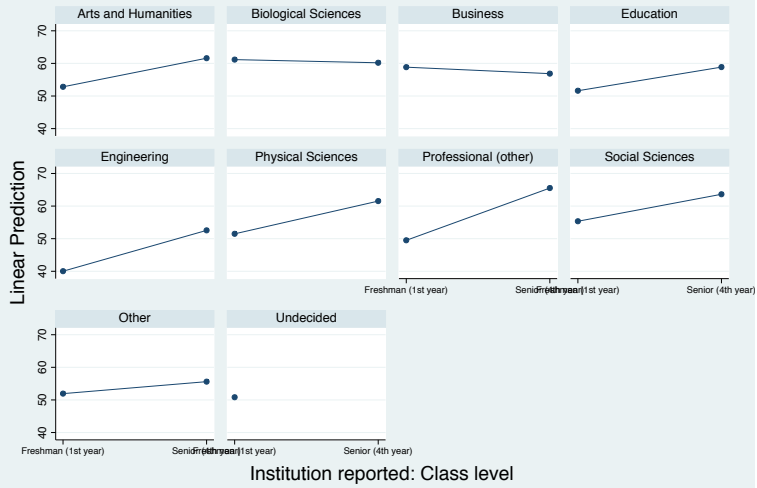




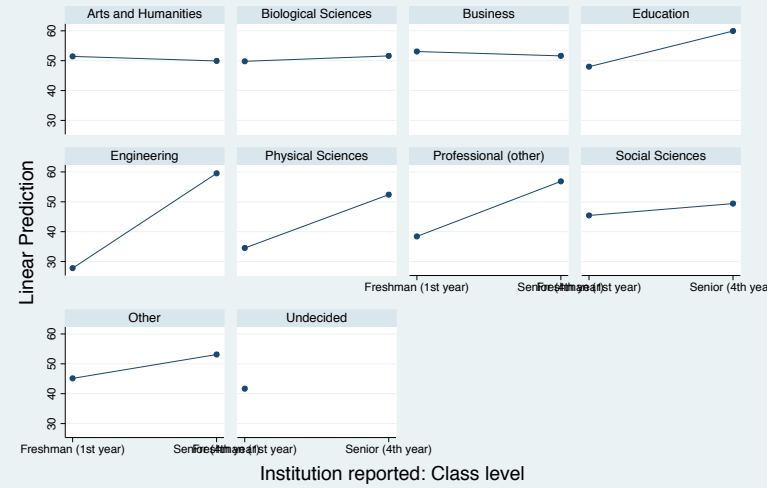
No athlete effect on any benchmark  
 No on-campus/off-campus effect



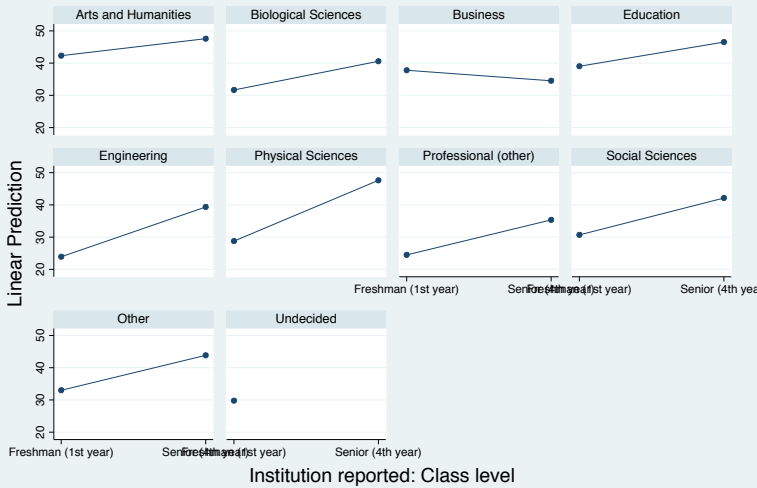
### Growth in Academic Challenge (Fresh->Senior) by Major



### Growth in Active/Collaborative Learning



### Growth in Enriching Educational Experiences



<--- COB lack of internships?