

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program

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Using NSSE Data to Compare Senior Participation in Faculty-Mentored Research at UHM to Peer Institutions

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Goals

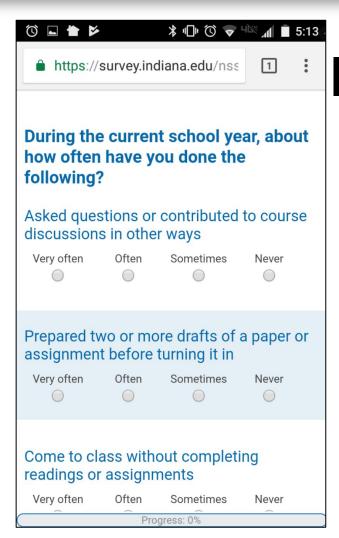
- 1. Determine % of UHM undergraduate students who participated in, or planned to participate in, faculty-mentored research
- 2. Compare to peer institutions











NSSE Data & MIRO tools

Step 1: Navigate survey. Identify desired data

NSSE survey instrument:

Question:

"Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate?"

Answer:

Work with a faculty member on a research project

Data collected:

Freshmen and senior responses from 2004 – 2015, with some gaps

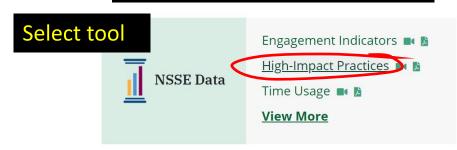
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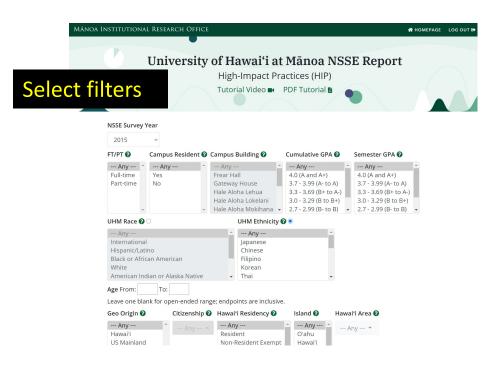






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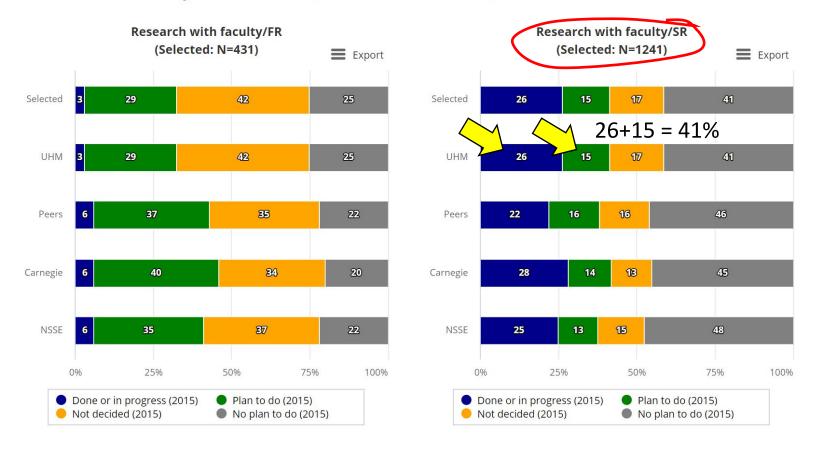




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Generate data

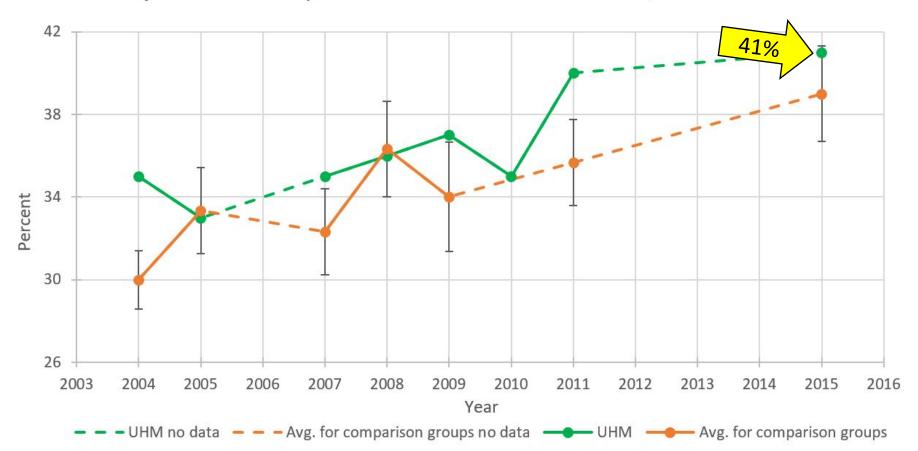
Research with faculty: Work with a faculty member on a research project.





Using the data

Graph C: Total Weighted Percent of UHM senior respondents who are "done" or "plan to do" faculty-mentored research from 2004-2015, with ±1 SD bars





Next steps

- Set benchmarks for research participation
- Promote available research opportunities
- Emphasize impact of research on students, need for institutional support



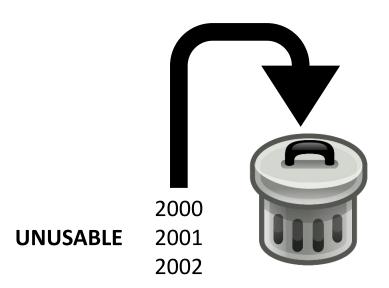








Caution: Understand limitations



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2004 2005 - - - - 2007 2008 2009 2010 2011 - - - - - - - - 2015

WHY?

Survey instrument changed year to year

Year	Prompt	Answer choices
2001	Work on a research project with a faculty member outside of course or program requirements	yes, no, undecided
2011	(same as above)	done, plan to do, do not plan to do, have not decided
2015	Work with a faculty member on a research project	done <u>or in</u> <u>progress</u> , plan to do, do not plan to do, have not decided





Thank you for your time!

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