NSSE (National Survey of Student Engagement)
Multi-Year Benchmark Report
2002-2004 and 2006-2012 Combined Charts
Department of Psychology

Notes:
The "whiskers" or lines that extend from the mean for the department show 95% confidence interval. If Auburn University's mean appears on the line, the difference between the department's mean and the mean for the University as a whole is not significant at the 5% alpha level. If the mean for College of Liberal Arts appears on the line, the difference between the department's mean and the mean for the college is not significant at the 5% alpha level.

* Due to a change in response options for several Enriching Educational Experiences (EEE) items, only 2006-2012 data are charted here.
### Level of Academic Challenge (LAC)

**During the current school year, about how much reading and writing have you done?** 1=None, 2=1-4, 3=5-10, 4=11-20, 5=More than 20

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### Active and Collaborative Learning (ACL)

*In your experience at your institution during the current school year, about how often have you done each of the following? 1=Never, 2=Sometimes, 3=Often, 4=Very often*

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**Enriching Educational Experiences (EEE)**

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*Which of the following have you done or do you plan to do before you graduate from your institution? (Recoded: 0=Have not decided, Do not plan to do, Plan to do; 1=Done. Thus, the mean is the proportion responding "Done" among all valid respondents.)*

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## Supportive Campus Environment (SCE)

**To what extent does your institution emphasize each of the following?**

1 = Very little, 2 = Some, 3 = Quite a bit, 4 = Very much

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