

# DESSE Focus Areas

Focus Area	DESSE Items
Academic Advising and Planning	<p>13) In the past year, how many times have you <b>interacted with an advisor/counselor</b> from this college</p> <p>30) Are you <b>aware of the following services</b> at this college?</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. Academic advising/counseling</p> <p>31a) During the past year, how <b>often have you used academic advising</b> and planning services?</p> <p>32a) How <b>satisfied have you been with your use of academic advising</b> and planning services during the last year?</p>
Academic Challenge	<p>26) Do the instructors of the dual enrollment classes you are taking right now expect more, about the same, or less <b>than the instructors of the high school</b> classes you have taken?</p> <p>27) Are the assignments in the dual enrollment classes you are taking right now more challenging, about the same, or less challenging <b>than the assignments in the high school</b> classes you have taken?</p> <p>29) Have you <b>struggled in the dual enrollment classes</b> you are currently taking?</p>
Active and Collaborative Learning	<p>20) Thinking about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now through this college, about how often have you done each of the following?</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a. <b>Asked questions in class</b> or contributed to class discussions</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">c. <b>Worked with other students on projects</b> during class</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">d. <b>Worked with classmates outside of class</b> to prepare class assignments</p>
Barriers to Persistence	<p>19) For any dual enrollment courses that you take in person through this college, what best describes <b>how you typically get to campus</b>?</p> <p>33) Which of the following have you <b>discussed with someone through this college</b>?</p> <p>34) Which of the following <b>make it difficult to take</b> dual enrollment courses?</p>
Course Taking	<p>12) Did you <b>have any choice</b> about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now? How much did each of the following <b>help you determine</b> the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now?</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a1. Someone who works for this college</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a2. Someone who works for your high school</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a3. Friends</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a4. Family members</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">a5. College website</p> <p>14) In which of the following <b>subject areas have you taken</b> or are you currently taking dual enrollment courses?</p> <p>15) How many of the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now are taught in person at your high school <b>by a high school teacher</b>?</p> <p>16) How many of the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now are taught in person at your high school <b>by a college instructor</b>?</p> <p>17) How many of the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now are taught <b>in person at the college</b>?</p> <p>18) How many of the dual enrollment courses you are <b>taking right now are taught online</b>?</p> <p>35) How do you <b>prefer to take your dual enrollment</b> courses?</p>

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Getting Started	<p>7) How much did each of the following <b>help you learn about the opportunity</b> to take dual enrollment courses?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Someone who works for this college</li> <li>Someone who works for your high school</li> <li>Friends</li> <li>Family members</li> <li>College website</li> <li>Did any other source help you learn about dual enrollment courses?</li> </ol> <p>8) Who <b>most encouraged you to start</b> taking dual enrollment courses?</p> <p>9) Indicate which of the following are <b>your goals and/or reasons</b> for taking dual enrollment courses through this college.</p> <p>10) Did you <b>participate in an orientation</b> for dual enrollment courses through this college?</p> <p>11) How was <b>the process to initially sign up</b> for dual enrollment courses offered by this college?</p> <p>12) Did you <b>have any choice</b> about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now?</p> <p>How much did each of the following <b>help you determine</b> the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Someone who works for this college</li> <li>Someone who works for your high school</li> <li>Friends</li> <li>Family members</li> <li>College website</li> </ol>
Goals	<p>9) Indicate which of the following are <b>your goals and/or reasons</b> for taking dual enrollment courses through this college.</p> <p>38) What is your <b>primary goal immediately after you graduate</b> from high school?</p>
Instructor Expectations	<p>21) Thinking about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now through this college, how many of your instructors did the following?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Clearly explained <b>class grading policies</b></li> <li>Clearly explained the <b>class attendance policy</b></li> </ol> <p>26) Do the instructors of the dual enrollment classes you are taking right now expect more, about the same, or less <b>than the instructors of the high school</b> classes you have taken?</p>
Motivation and Preparedness	<p>23) I am <b>motivated to do what it takes to succeed</b> in my dual enrollment courses.</p> <p>24) My academic background has <b>prepared me to succeed</b> in my dual enrollment courses.</p> <p>36) While in high school, have you taken <b>any of the following types of courses</b>?</p> <p>39) Has taking dual enrollment courses through this college made you <b>more or less confident</b> that you could be successful in college after high school?</p>
Sense of Belonging	<p>21) Thinking about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now through this college, how many of your instructors did the following?</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Had activities to <b>introduce students to one another</b></li> <li><b>Learned your name</b></li> </ol> <p>22) I feel like <b>part of the community</b> at this college.</p>

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Student Effort	<p>20) Thinking about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now through this college, about how often have you done each of the following?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>b. Worked on a paper or project that required <b>integrating ideas or information</b> from various sources</li> <li>g. Worked harder than you thought you could to <b>meet an instructor's standards</b> or expectations</li> <li>h. Come to class <b>without completing readings</b> or assignments</li> <li>k. <b>Skipped class</b></li> <li>m. <b>Not turned in an assignment</b></li> </ul> <p>28) Do you spend <b>more or less time studying</b> for your dual enrollment classes than you do for your high school classes?</p>
Student-Faculty Interaction	<p>20) Thinking about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now through this college, about how often have you done each of the following?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e. <b>Discussed grades</b> or assignments with an instructor</li> <li>f. Talked about <b>career plans</b> with an instructor</li> <li>i. <b>Communicated with an instructor</b> through the course website or email</li> <li>j. Received <b>timely feedback</b> (written or oral) from instructors on your performance</li> <li>l. <b>Asked for help</b> from an instructor regarding questions or problems related to a class</li> </ul> <p>21) Thinking about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now through this college, how many of your instructors did the following?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>e. <b>Learned your name</b></li> </ul> <p>25) I know <b>how to get in touch</b> with my dual enrollment instructors outside of class.</p>
Support Services	<p>13) In the past year, how many times have you <b>interacted with an advisor/counselor</b> from this college</p> <p>21) Thinking about the dual enrollment courses you are taking right now through this college, how many of your instructors did the following?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>d. Clearly explained academic and <b>student support services available</b> at this college</li> </ul> <p>29) Have you <b>struggled in the dual enrollment classes</b> you are currently taking? Has someone at this college <b>contacted you when you have struggled</b> with your dual enrollment coursework to help you get the assistance you need</p> <p>30) Are you <b>aware of the following services</b> at this college?</p> <p>31a) During the past year, how <b>often have you used academic advising</b> and planning services?</p> <p>31b) During the past year, how <b>often have you used career counseling</b> services?</p> <p>31c) During the past year, how <b>often have you used tutoring</b> services?</p> <p>31d) During the past year, how <b>often have you used writing, math, or other skill lab</b> services?</p> <p>31e) During the past year, how <b>often have you used transfer credit assistance</b> services?</p> <p>31f) During the past year, how <b>often have you used services for students with disabilities</b>?</p> <p>32a) How <b>satisfied have you been with your use of academic advising</b> and planning services during the last year?</p> <p>32b) How <b>satisfied have you been with your use of career counseling</b> services during the last year?</p> <p>32c) How <b>satisfied have you been with your use of tutoring</b> services during the last year?</p> <p>32d) How <b>satisfied have you been with your use of writing, math, or other skill lab</b> services during the last year?</p>

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Support Services <i>(continued)</i>	32e) How <b>satisfied have you been with your use of transfer credit assistance</b> services during the last year? 32f) How <b>satisfied have you been with your use of services for students with disabilities</b> during the last year? 33) Which of the following have you <b>discussed with someone through this college?</b>