1. **Informational Report on Penn State’s Participation in the 2008 National Survey on Student Engagement**

Along with over 700 other colleges and universities, Penn State participated in the 2008 National Survey of Student Engagement (NSSE). The survey results provide an indication of how much time Penn State students spend on educational activities that are associated with student learning. Insights from Penn State's findings will be used to improve academic programs and to foster a higher level of student engagement in learning. Penn State's NSSE data are also compared to results from similar universities.

Damon Sims, Vice President for Student Affairs, will lead a panel discussion that will include a review of NSSE and its administration at Penn State, some initial findings, and the use of NSSE data by colleges and campuses at Penn State. Panelists include Andrea Dowhower, Director of Student Affairs Research and Assessment, Mary Lou D'Allegro, Senior Director of Planning, Research and Assessment at Penn State Berks, and Renata Engel, Associate Dean for Undergraduate Studies, College of Engineering.