

RUFFALO NOEL LEVITZ STUDENT SATISFACTION INVENTORY

JOHNSON COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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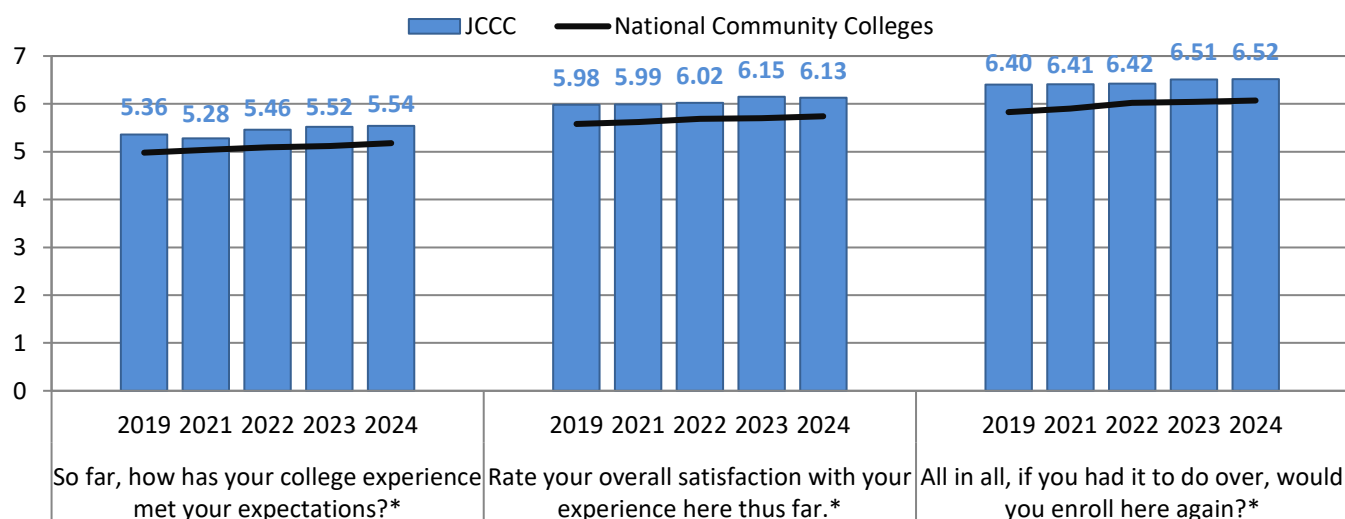
Johnson County Community College first administered the Ruffalo Noel Levitz Student Satisfaction Inventory (SSI) to students during the spring 2000 semester and administered it annually thereafter through 2004. After the 2004 survey cycle, JCCC began administering the Inventory biennially through the spring 2014 semester; the college then returned to administering the SSI on an annual basis except for the 2020 spring semester when the survey was not administered due to the pandemic. During the spring 2024 semester, the SSI was administered online to roughly 5,600 JCCC students. In total, 522 surveys were completed. The national community college group contains 86,680 records from 135 two-year institutions and includes surveys completed through the fall of 2021 to the spring of 2024.

The Student Satisfaction Inventory contains 70 items grouped into 12 scales. For most of the items, students rate the importance of the item and how satisfied they are with the item at their institution. All items are rated using a 1 to 7 Likert scale, with 7 being high. Performance gap means are then calculated by taking the difference between the importance rating and the satisfaction rating. Small gaps indicate students' expectations are being met while large gaps indicate room for improvement.

Major findings are highlighted in the following bulleted points and figures; summaries for the 12 scales appear on the following pages in descending order of importance as rated by students.

OVERALL SATISFACTION: These three summary items provide a good bottom-line overview of how students feel about their overall experiences at the College.

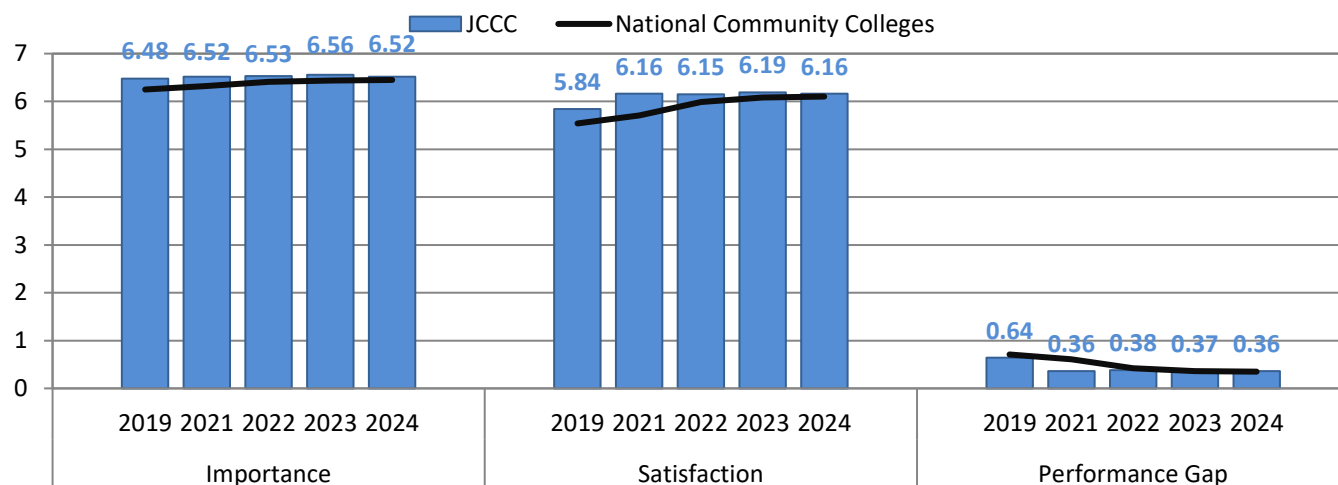
Figure 1
Overall Satisfaction



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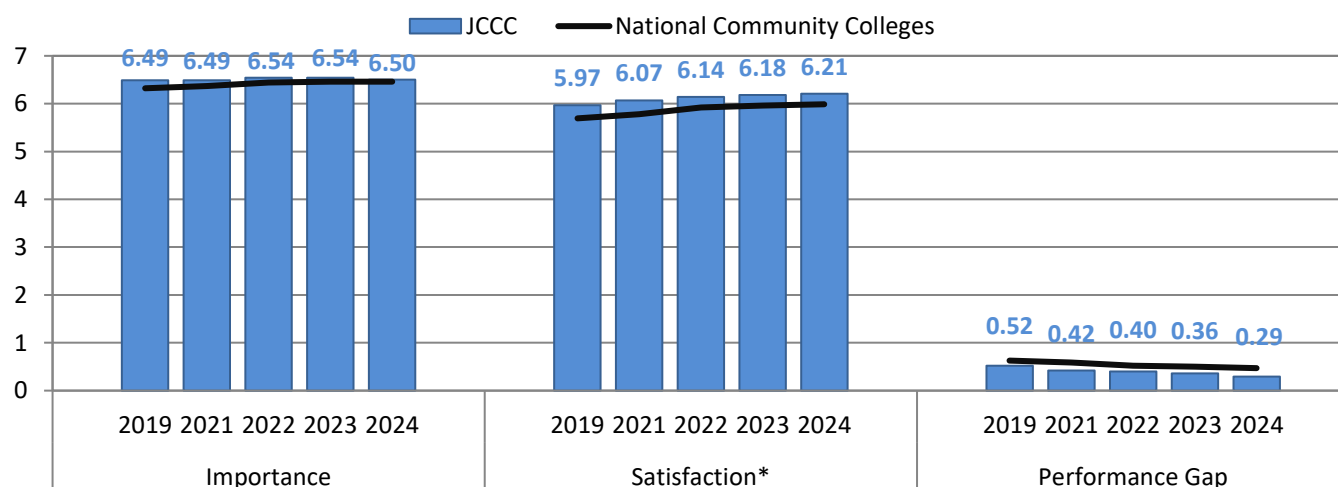
SAFETY AND SECURITY: assesses the institution’s responsiveness to students’ personal safety and security on campus. This scale measures the effectiveness of both security personnel and campus facilities.

Figure 2
Safety and Security



INSTRUCTIONAL EFFECTIVENESS: assesses students’ academic experience, the curriculum, and the campus’s overriding commitment to academic excellence. This comprehensive scale covers areas such as the effectiveness of faculty in and out of the classroom, content of the courses, and sufficient course offerings.

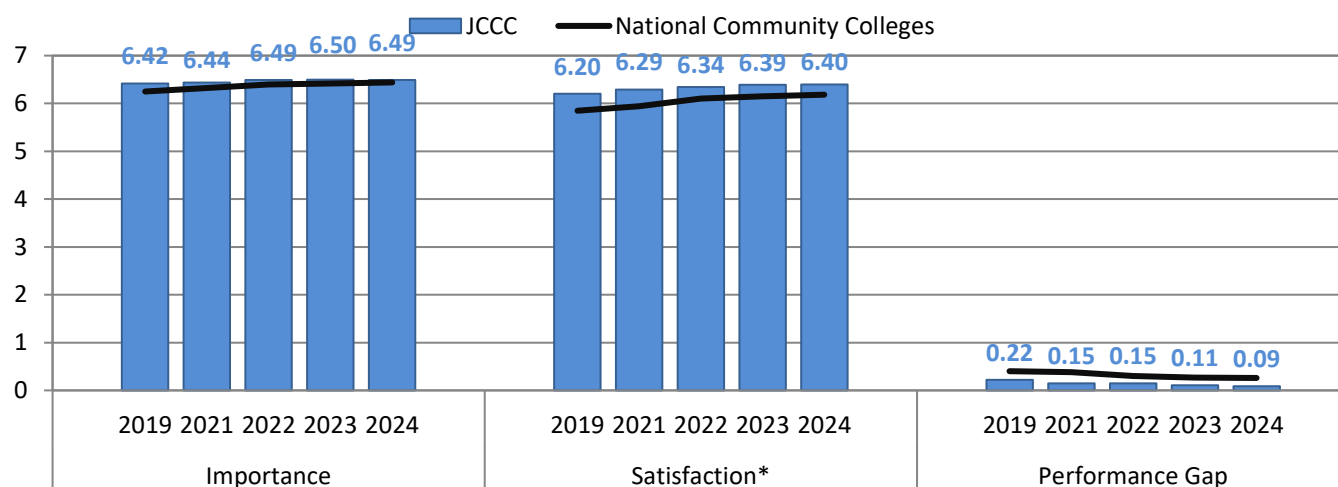
Figure 3
Instructional Effectiveness



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ACADEMIC SERVICES: assesses services students utilize to achieve their academic goals. These services include the library, computer labs, tutoring, and study areas.

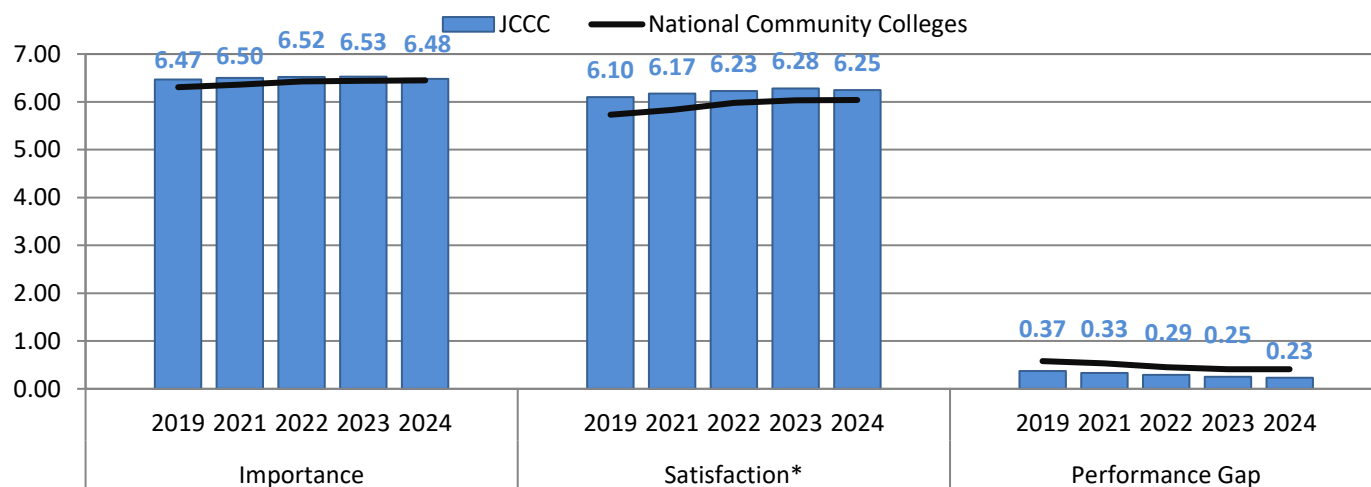
Figure 4
Academic Services



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REGISTRATION EFFECTIVENESS: assesses issues associated with registration and billing. This scale also measures the college's commitment to making this process as smooth and effective as possible.

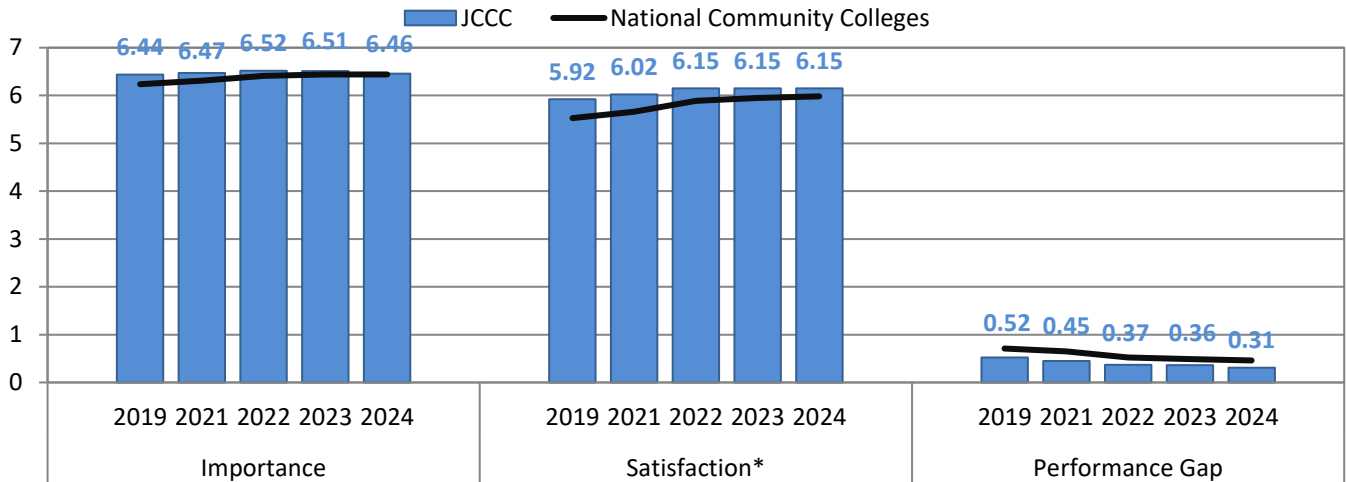
Figure 5
Registration Effectiveness



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ADMISSIONS AND FINANCIAL AID: assesses the institution’s ability to enroll students in an effective manner. This scale covers issues such as competence and knowledge of admissions counselors, as well as the effectiveness and availability of financial aid programs.

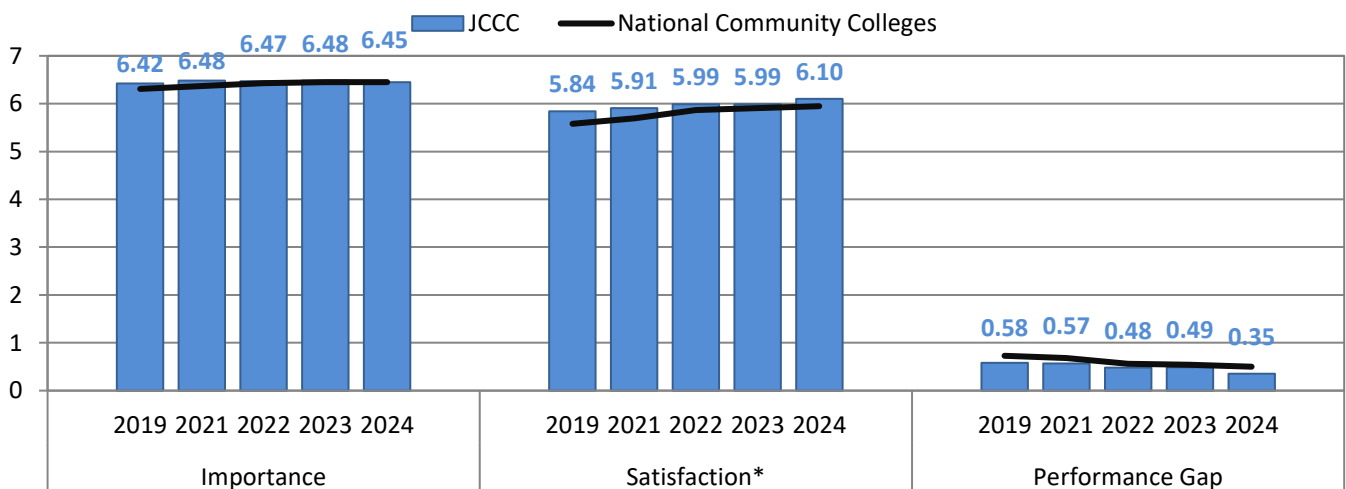
Figure 6
Admissions and Financial Aid



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ACADEMIC ADVISING/COUNSELING: assesses the comprehensiveness of the academic advising program. Academic advisors (and counselors) are evaluated on the basis of their knowledge, competence, and personal concern for student success, as well as on their approachability.

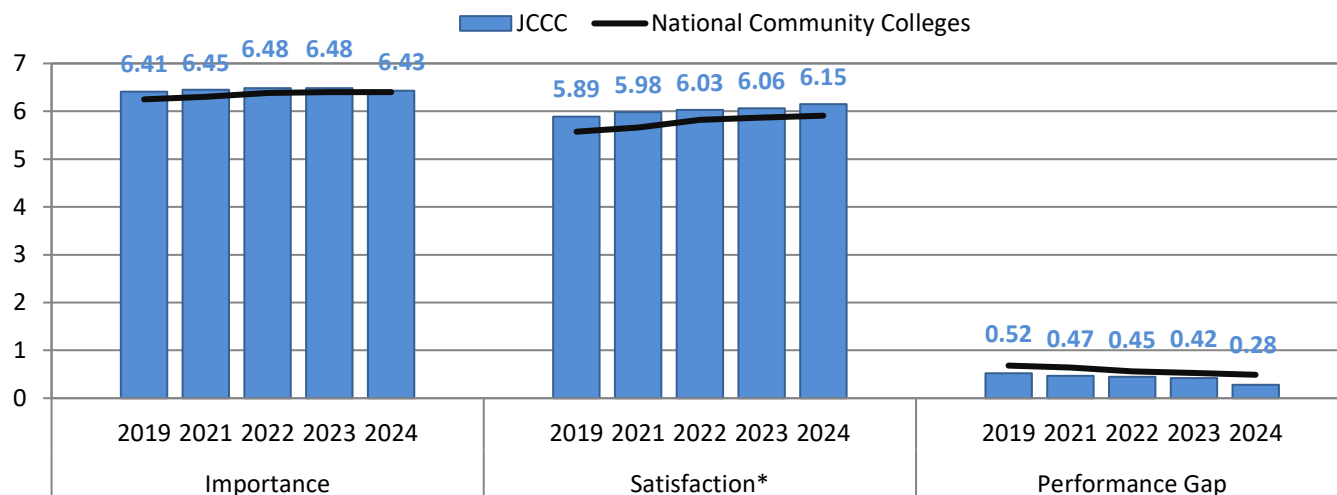
Figure 7
Academic Advising/Counseling



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CONCERN FOR THE INDIVIDUAL: assesses the institution’s commitment to treating each student as an individual. Those groups who frequently deal with students on a personal level (e.g., faculty, advisors, etc.) are included in this assessment.

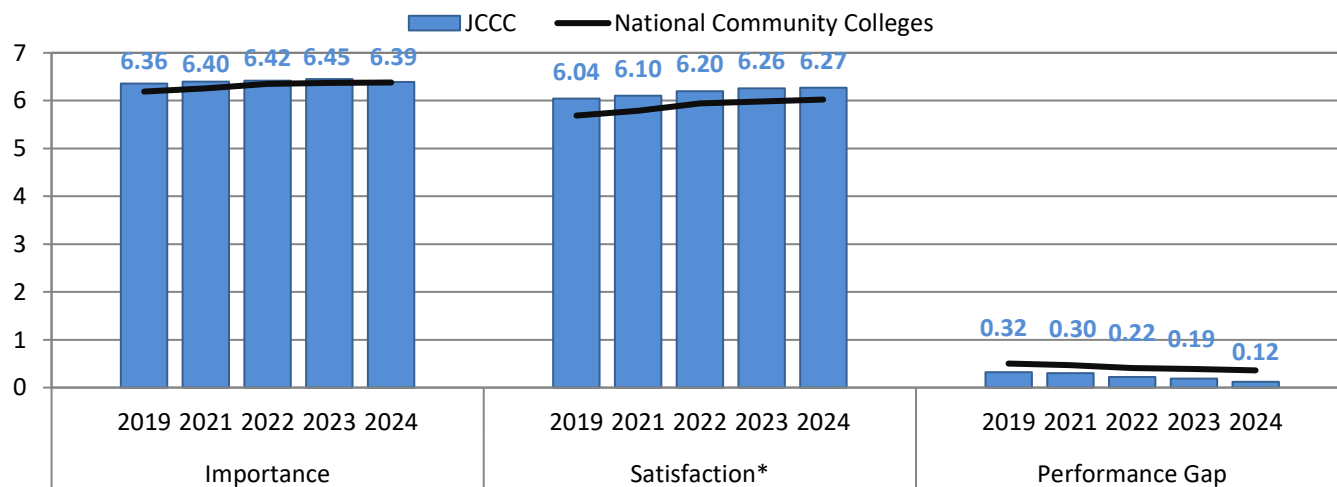
Figure 8
Concern for the Individual



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STUDENT CENTEREDNESS: assesses the campus’s efforts to convey to students that they are important to our institution. This scale measures the extent to which students feel welcome and valued.

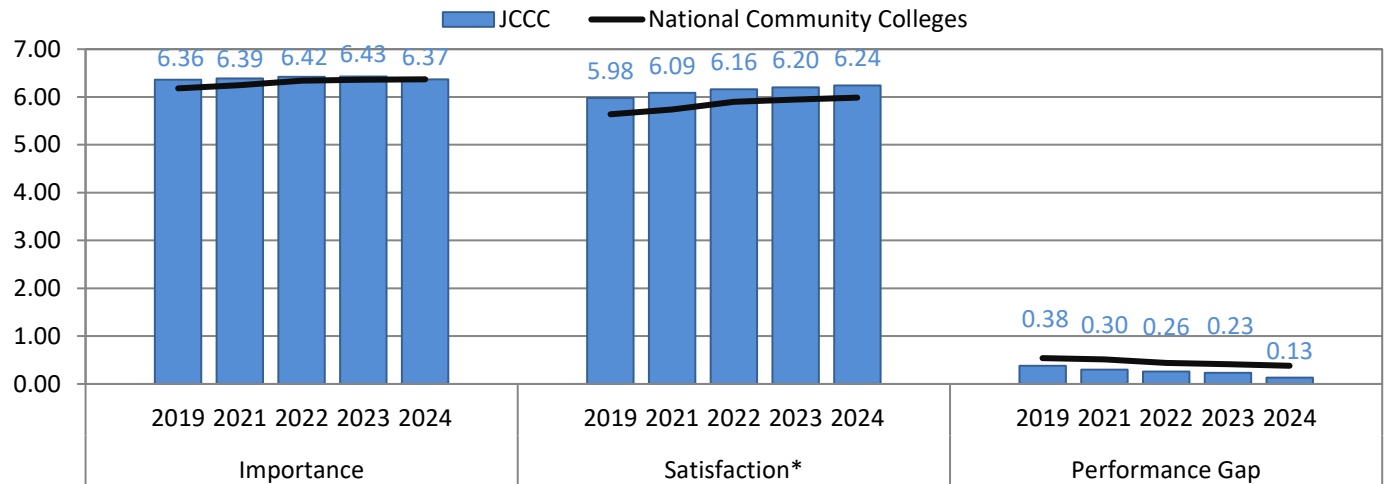
Figure 9
Student Centeredness



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CAMPUS CLIMATE: assesses the extent to which the institution provides experiences that promote a sense of campus pride and feelings of belonging. This scale also assesses the effectiveness of the institution’s channels of communication for students.

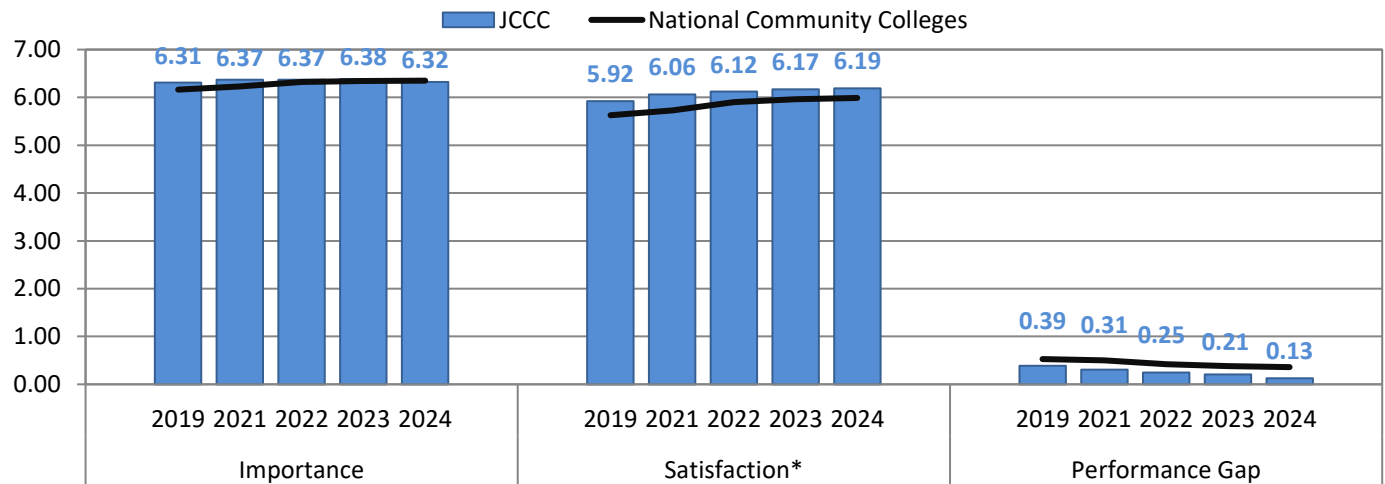
Figure 10
Campus Climate



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SERVICE EXCELLENCE: assesses the perceived attitude of staff, especially front-line staff, toward students. This scale pinpoints the areas of your campus where quality service and personal concern for students are rated most and least favorable.

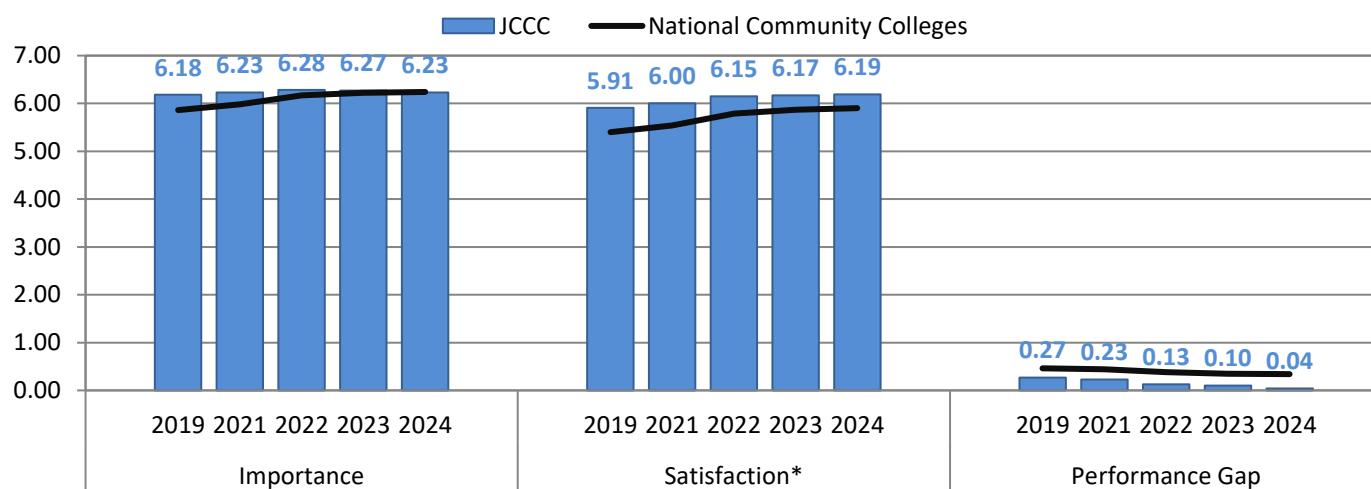
Figure 11
Service Excellence



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CAMPUS SUPPORT SERVICES: assesses the quality of our support programs and services which students utilize to make their educational experiences more meaningful and productive. This scale covers a variety of areas.

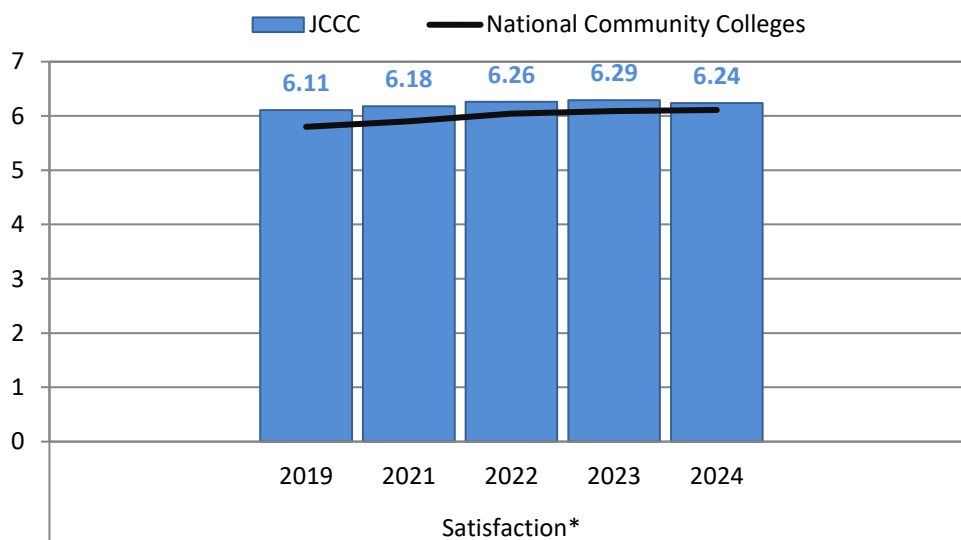
Figure 12
Campus Support Services



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RESPONSIVENESS TO DIVERSE POPULATIONS: assesses the institution's commitment to specific groups of students enrolled at our institution, e.g., under-represented populations; students with disabilities; commuters; part-time students; and older, returning learners.

Figure 13
Responsiveness to Diverse Populations



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STRENGTHS: items with high importance and high satisfaction. These are specifically identified as items above the mid-point in importance and in the upper quartile of satisfaction scores. The following items have been identified as strengths and are listed in descending order of importance.

- The campus is safe and secure for all students.*
- Nearly all of the faculty are knowledgeable in their fields.*
- I am able to experience intellectual growth here.*
- Security staff respond quickly in emergencies.*
- There is a good variety of courses provided on this campus.*
- Campus Item: I am treated with as much respect as other students.
- On the whole, the campus is well-maintained.*
- Academic support services adequately meet the needs of students.*
- Students are made to feel welcome on this campus.*
- The equipment in the lab facilities is kept up to date.*
- There are convenient ways of paying my school bill.*
- It is an enjoyable experience to be a student on this campus.*
- This institution has a good reputation within the community.*
- Library resources and services are adequate.*
- Tutoring services are readily available.*
- The campus staff are caring and helpful.*

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CHALLENGES: items with high importance and low satisfaction or large performance gaps. These are specifically identified as items above the mid-point in importance and in the lower quartile of satisfaction scores or items above the mid-point in importance and in the top quartile of performance gap scores. The following items have been identified as challenges and are listed in descending order of importance.

- The quality of instruction I receive in most of my classes is excellent.*
- Computers and/or Wi-Fi are adequate and accessible.
- I am able to register for classes I need with few conflicts.*
- The quality of instruction in the vocational/technical programs is excellent.*
- My academic advisor is knowledgeable about my program requirements.
- This school does whatever it can to help me reach my educational goals.*
- Classes are scheduled at times that are convenient for me.
- Faculty provide timely feedback about student progress in a course.*
- Financial aid counselors are helpful.*
- Faculty are understanding of students' unique life circumstances.*
- My academic advisor is knowledgeable about the transfer requirements of other schools.
- Adequate financial aid is available for most students.

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