

Table 1
SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE
 College Student Survey Summary

Students Reporting Much Stronger Abilities and Skills Compared to When They First Started College in:
(Numbers in Percents)

	2005		2003		2001	
	Sophs	Seniors	Sophs	Seniors	Sophs/Jrs.	Seniors
General knowledge	42.0	69.1	43.2	65.9	42.5	58.0
Analytical and problem-solving skills	25.4	53.7	24.3	51.6	25.0	43.0
Knowledge of a particular field or discipline	48.3	75.6	51.4	81.3	62.5	85.0
Ability to think critically	29.3	56.9	16.2	53.8	30.6	45.0
Foreign language ability	24.9	17.1	10.8	17.6	13.2	11.0
Knowledge of people from different races/cultures	21.5	28.5	5.4	28.6	18.9	10.0
Religious beliefs and convictions	--	--	13.5	16.7	13.8	16.0
Leadership abilities	17.7	46.7	13.5	34.1	23.1	31.0
Interpersonal skills	19.9	47.2	24.3	36.3	28.7	37.4
Ability to get along with people of different races/cultures	19.3	30.9	5.4	22.0	15.1	11.0
Understanding the problems facing your community	17.7	27.6	8.1	27.5	14.4	20.0
Understanding of social problems facing our nation	23.2	35.8	13.5	39.6	25.6	23.0
Understanding of global issues	22.1	32.5	18.9	36.3	--	--
Writing skills	26.5	44.7	8.1	54.9	26.2	44.0
Public speaking ability	18.2	45.5	18.9	41.8	20.6	38.0
Ability to work cooperatively	--	--	--	--	20.0	26.0
Mathematical skills	14.9	15.4	8.1	15.4	10.6	12.0
Reading speed and comprehension	--	--	--	--	13.1	20.0
Computer skills	17.1	31.7	13.5	30.8	30.0	45.0