

**CIRP College Senior Survey
(Administered to May 2015 Graduating Seniors)**

The College Senior Survey (CSS) connects academic, civic, and diversity outcomes with a comprehensive set of college experiences to measure the impact of college. The CSS generates valuable longitudinal data on students' cognitive and affective growth during college.

| | Saint Mary's | Women at Selective 4-year Catholic Colleges | National Norms* |
|--|--------------|---|-----------------|
| This institution has contributed to my: (% Strongly Agree) | | | |
| Preparedness for employment after college | 52% | 38% | 37% |
| Knowledge of a particular field or discipline | 76% | 63% | 65% |
| Preparedness for graduate or advanced education | 57% | 40% | 40% |
| Rate yourself as compared with the average person your age: (Percent responding "Highest 10% or Above Average") | | | |
| Leadership Ability | 76% | 69% | 67% |
| Writing ability | 64% | 61% | 63% |
| Self-understanding | 68% | 65% | 66% |
| How often in the past year did you: (Percent responding "Frequently") | | | |
| Ask questions in class | 65% | 51% | 50% |
| Seek solutions to problems and explain them to others | 76% | 68% | 68% |
| Seek alternative solutions to a problem | 72% | 61% | 60% |
| Integrate skills/knowledge from different sources/experiences | 90% | 79% | 80% |
| Performed volunteer or community service work | 29% | 25% | 25% |
| Since entering college, indicate how often you: (Percent responding "Frequently") | | | |
| Performed community service as part of a class | 25% | 20% | 16% |
| Communicated regularly with your professors | 68% | 55% | 55% |
| Please rate your satisfaction with your college: (Percent responding "Satisfied or Very Satisfied") | | | |
| General education/Core curriculum | 85% | 75% | 76% |
| Academic advising | 76% | 67% | 67% |
| Courses in your major field (% Very Satisfied) | 55% | 43% | 45% |
| Amount of contact with faculty (% Very Satisfied) | 68% | 50% | 51% |
| Overall quality of instruction | 94% | 87% | 88% |
| Please rate your satisfaction with your college: (Percent responding "Very Satisfied") | | | |
| Overall sense of community among students | 55% | 39% | 36% |
| Availability of campus social activities | 36% | 31% | 29% |
| Student housing (% Very Satisfied or Satisfied) | 76% | 59% | 57% |
| This institution has contributed to my: (% Strongly Agree) | | | |
| Knowledge of people from different races/cultures | 34% | 28% | 30% |
| Understanding of national issues | 18% | 22% | 20% |
| Understanding of global issues | 22% | 24% | 23% |
| Please rate your satisfaction with your college: (Percent responding "Very Satisfied or Satisfied") | | | |
| Overall college experience | 90% | 88% | 87% |

*National norms are for women at all baccalaureate institutions.

Source: CIRP College Senior Survey (Spring 2015 administration). Next administration – Spring 2016.