

The Evergreen State College  
 Evergreen New Student Survey 2005  
 Tacoma Analysis

How would you rate your level of skill in the following?

New students were asked to rate their level of skill in a variety of areas. The skills with the highest mean (average) responses among Tacoma respondents were: functioning as a responsible member of a diverse community; learning independently; working cooperatively in a group; and recognizing your responsibilities, rights, and privileges as a citizen. On average, Tacoma respondents rated their level of skill lowest in speaking effectively, giving effective presentations, understanding and applying scientific principles and methods, and understanding and applying quantitative principles and methods (e.g. math, statistics.)

*How would you rate your level of skill in the following? (N=58)*

*Scale: 0=No Skill, 1=Low, 2=Moderate, 3=High, 4=Very High*

	Mean	No Skill (0)	Low (1)	Moderate (2)	High (3)	Very High (4)	Missing
Functioning as a responsible member of a diverse community	2.95	0.0%	1.7%	29.3%	41.4%	27.6%	0
Learning independently	2.93	0.0%	3.4%	31.0%	34.5%	31.0%	0
Working cooperatively in a group	2.86	0.0%	3.4%	29.3%	44.8%	22.4%	0
Recognizing your responsibilities, rights, and privileges as a citizen	2.83	0.0%	3.4%	36.2%	34.5%	25.9%	0
Defining and solving problems	2.78	0.0%	1.7%	41.4%	34.5%	22.4%	0
Understanding and appreciating the arts	2.76	0.0%	5.2%	37.9%	32.8%	24.1%	0
Expressing yourself in creative, dramatic, and/or artistic ways	2.74	0.0%	13.8%	29.3%	25.9%	31.0%	0
Participating in class discussion	2.69	1.7%	8.6%	31.0%	36.2%	22.4%	0
Readiness for a career	2.67	1.7%	8.6%	32.8%	34.5%	22.4%	0
Reading for academic purposes	2.64	0.0%	3.4%	44.8%	36.2%	15.5%	0
Understanding the interaction of society and the environment	2.62	0.0%	5.2%	46.6%	29.3%	19.0%	0
Knowledge in a broad range of subjects	2.62	0.0%	5.2%	43.1%	36.2%	15.5%	0
Understanding different philosophies and cultures	2.60	0.0%	6.9%	43.1%	32.8%	17.2%	0
Synthesizing information and ideas from many sources	2.55	0.0%	5.4%	46.4%	35.7%	12.5%	2
Writing effectively	2.48	0.0%	1.7%	62.1%	22.4%	13.8%	0
Critically analyzing written information	2.47	0.0%	5.3%	57.9%	21.1%	15.8%	1

<i>How would you rate your level of skill in the following? (continued)</i>	Mean	No Skill (0)	Low (1)	Moderate (2)	High (3)	Very High (4)	Missing
Managing your time effectively	2.42	0.0%	14.0%	42.1%	31.6%	12.3%	1
Using technology to present work, find information, or solve problems	2.41	0.0%	15.5%	44.8%	22.4%	17.2%	0
Speaking effectively	2.38	0.0%	10.3%	50.0%	31.0%	8.6%	0
Giving effective presentations	2.28	0.0%	13.8%	53.4%	24.1%	8.6%	0
Understanding and applying scientific principles and methods	2.09	1.7%	19.0%	56.9%	13.8%	8.6%	0
Understanding and applying quantitative principles and methods (e.g. math, statistics)	1.69	3.4%	44.8%	37.9%	6.9%	6.9%	0