

## The Evergreen State College Evergreen New Student Survey 2005 Tacoma Analysis

### Participation in Extracurricular Activities

A test question was added to the 2005 version of the Evergreen New Student Survey to explore the level of participation in extracurricular activities among first-time, first-years while they were in high school and transfer students while they were at another college or university. One limitation to this series of questions is that there was no consistent way for students to indicate that they did not participate in any activities during high school or college; therefore, it is unknown how many students merely skipped the question versus the number who did not participate in any activities. Since the Tacoma program serves upper-division undergraduates, only the responses to college activities at previous institutions is explored below.

*Which of the following activities did you participate in during college? (N=56)\**

Community service or volunteer work	42.9%
Music group, theatrical group, and/or artistic performance(s)	5.4%
Athletics	3.6%
Academic club(s)	26.8%
College newspaper, academic journal, or student publication	8.9%
Study or travel abroad (in or outside of high school/college)	3.6%
Other	19.6%

\* This table excludes the students who indicated that they planned to study primarily on the Tacoma campus, but who were beginning studies on the Olympia campus as first-time, first-years.

There were 11 respondents who indicated "other." These respondents wrote in explanations of "other" that include: campus event planning, facilitating study times, doing an internship, participating in student government, parenting, doing homework, participating in honor societies, and other activities related to college clubs and organizations.