

**The Evergreen State College**  
**Evergreen Student Experience Survey 2011**  
*First-Time, First Years*

**Satisfaction with the Learning Environment**

Students were asked to indicate their level of satisfaction with different aspects of their learning environment at Evergreen. All items in this series had a median response of 3.00 ("Satisfied") or 4.00 ("Very Satisfied"). The items with the highest mean levels of satisfaction among first-time, first-year respondents were: interdisciplinary approach in academic work, level of respect you feel from faculty, narrative evaluations by faculty, and overall quality of instruction. Items with the lowest levels of satisfaction were: the amount of diversity at Evergreen, ability to keep up with the reading workload, and social experiences at Evergreen.

There were two items with a relatively high number of first-time, first-year respondents indicating they were "Not Applicable." These items were: opportunities for community service or volunteer work (19 respondents) and campus activities (N=10).

<b>This year, how satisfied are you with...? (N=109)</b> <i>Items sorted by highest to lowest mean (average) response</i>		<b>Very Dissatisfied (1)</b>	<b>Dissatisfied (2)</b>	<b>Satisfied (3)</b>	<b>Very Satisfied (4)</b>	<b>Mean</b>	<b>Median</b>	<b>Dis/Satisfactio n (N)</b>	<b>Not Applicable (N)</b>	<b>Skipped question (N)</b>
	Interdisciplinary approach in academic work	0.0%	2.0%	39.2%	<b>58.8%</b>	3.57	4.00	102	1	6
	Level of respect you feel from faculty	1.0%	4.0%	33.7%	<b>61.4%</b>	3.55	4.00	101	2	6
	Narrative evaluations by faculty	2.0%	3.0%	39.6%	<b>55.4%</b>	3.49	4.00	101	2	6
	Overall quality of instruction	1.0%	3.9%	41.7%	<b>53.4%</b>	3.48	4.00	103	0	6
	Team teaching by faculty	1.0%	8.2%	39.8%	<b>51.0%</b>	3.41	4.00	98	5	6
	Relevance of academic assignments	1.0%	3.0%	<b>51.0%</b>	45.0%	3.40	3.00	100	3	6
	Availability of faculty outside of class	0.0%	6.2%	<b>49.5%</b>	44.3%	3.38	3.00	97	6	6
	Faculty role in seminars	1.0%	7.8%	<b>51.0%</b>	40.2%	3.30	3.00	102	1	6
	Seminars as a way of learning	3.0%	10.9%	39.6%	<b>46.5%</b>	3.30	3.00	101	2	6
	Level of respect you feel from other campus staff	2.1%	5.2%	<b>54.2%</b>	38.5%	3.29	3.00	96	6	7
	The practice of self evaluation	1.0%	11.7%	<b>44.7%</b>	42.7%	3.29	3.00	103	0	6
	Quality of faculty feedback on your work	1.9%	6.8%	<b>53.4%</b>	37.9%	3.27	3.00	103	0	6
	Opportunities for in-depth academic work/research	3.0%	5.0%	<b>54.0%</b>	38.0%	3.27	3.00	100	3	6
	Academic planning/advising by faculty	0.0%	11.8%	<b>52.0%</b>	36.3%	3.25	3.00	102	1	6

This year, how satisfied are you with....? (N=109) <i>Items sorted by highest to lowest mean (average) response</i>		Very Dissatisfied (1)	Dissatisfied (2)	Satisfied (3)	Very Satisfied (4)	Mean	Median	Dis/Satisfactio n (N)	Not Applicable (N)	Skipped question (N)
	Your progress in achieving your educational goals	1.0%	12.0%	<b>52.0%</b>	35.0%	3.21	3.00	100	2	7
	Opportunities for community service or volunteer work	1.2%	9.5%	<b>57.1%</b>	32.1%	3.20	3.00	84	19	6
	Social climate in seminars	2.0%	12.9%	<b>52.5%</b>	32.7%	3.16	3.00	101	1	7
	Level of respect you feel from students	2.0%	5.9%	<b>66.7%</b>	25.5%	3.16	3.00	102	1	6
	The match between the classes you are taking and their description in the catalog	2.9%	12.7%	<b>57.8%</b>	26.5%	3.08	3.00	102	1	6
	Group projects and other peer collaborations	4.0%	11.1%	<b>59.6%</b>	25.3%	3.06	3.00	99	3	7
	Amount of time you are able to devote to your academic work	2.0%	15.7%	<b>58.8%</b>	23.5%	3.04	3.00	102	1	6
	Availability of information on the college website	3.9%	17.6%	<b>52.9%</b>	25.5%	3.00	3.00	102	1	6
	Campus activities	3.2%	14.0%	<b>67.7%</b>	15.1%	2.95	3.00	93	10	6
	Your social experiences at Evergreen	7.1%	14.3%	<b>56.1%</b>	22.4%	2.94	3.00	98	5	6
	Your ability to keep up with the reading workload	5.9%	18.6%	<b>52.9%</b>	22.5%	2.92	3.00	102	1	6
	Amount of diversity at Evergreen	7.9%	20.8%	<b>47.5%</b>	23.8%	2.87	3.00	101	2	6

Note: The mini-charts above are provided to illustrate how the responses are distributed among the choices: "Very Dissatisfied," "Dissatisfied," "Satisfied," and "Very Satisfied." The Y-axes of all of the charts on this page are set at a maximum of 70% to increase the visibility of smaller percentages.