

Dates of Administration: March 21 – April 12, 2019

Invited to participate: 522 members of the entering class of 2022 who completed the LGQ in the fall

Number of respondents: 198 (38% response rate)

1. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing the following skills for *purposeful self-development*?

		#	%
<i>1a. Recognizing your personal strengths, limitations, and interests</i>	4 – Very often	63	32%
	3 – Often	90	46%
	2 – Sometimes	43	22%
	1 – Never	1	1%
	Total	197	100%¹
	Very often + Often	153	78%
	MEAN	3.09	

		#	%
<i>1b. Managing your resources of time, talent, or money</i>	4 – Very often	79	40%
	3 – Often	86	44%
	2 – Sometimes	29	15%
	1 – Never	3	2%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	165	84%
	MEAN	3.22	

		#	%
<i>1c. Reflecting on faith, ethics, or values</i>	4 – Very often	59	30%
	3 – Often	66	33%
	2 – Sometimes	65	33%
	1 – Never	7	4%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	125	63%
	MEAN	2.90	

		#	%
<i>1d. Responding constructively to a challenge, disappointment, or failure</i>	4 – Very often	58	29%
	3 – Often	91	46%
	2 – Sometimes	47	24%
	1 – Never	1	1%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	149	76%
	MEAN	3.05	

¹ May not sum to exactly 100% due to rounding

2. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing ***broad knowledge of human cultures and the natural world***, including:

		#	%
<i>2a. Creating, understanding, or performing artistic works</i>	4 - Very often	61	31%
	3 - Often	37	19%
	2 - Sometimes	83	42%
	1 - Never	16	8%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	98	50%
	MEAN	2.73	

		#	%
<i>2b. Using scientific methods to investigate the natural world</i>	4 - Very often	40	20%
	3 - Often	55	28%
	2 - Sometimes	78	40%
	1 - Never	24	12%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	95	48%
	MEAN	2.56	

		#	%
<i>2c. Exploring literature, languages, philosophy, religion, or history</i>	4 - Very often	79	40%
	3 - Often	90	46%
	2 - Sometimes	26	13%
	1 - Never	2	1%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	169	86%
	MEAN	3.25	

		#	%
<i>2d. Understanding human behaviors, relationships, politics, or social patterns</i>	4 - Very often	71	36%
	3 - Often	88	45%
	2 - Sometimes	35	18%
	1 - Never	3	2%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	159	81%
	MEAN	3.15	

		#	%
<i>2e. Drawing on knowledge from different subjects or fields to understand a topic</i>	4 - Very often	78	40%
	3 - Often	89	45%
	2 - Sometimes	28	14%
	1 - Never	2	1%
	Total	197	100%
	Very often + Often	167	85%
	MEAN	3.23	

3. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing *specialized knowledge of a particular subject, field, or topic*, through activities such as:

		#	%
<i>3a. Understanding the subject matter of a field – terms and concepts, controversies, scholarly findings, current issues</i>	4 – Very often	61	32%
	3 – Often	95	49%
	2 – Sometimes	36	19%
	1 – Never	1	1%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	156	81%
	MEAN	3.12	

		#	%
<i>3b. Using methods of inquiry in a field to investigate a question or solve a problem</i>	4 – Very often	43	22%
	3 – Often	87	45%
	2 – Sometimes	58	30%
	1 – Never	5	3%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	130	67%
	MEAN	2.87	

		#	%
<i>3c. Using tools or techniques in a field to demonstrate, create, or perform</i>	4 – Very often	50	26%
	3 – Often	72	37%
	2 – Sometimes	64	33%
	1 – Never	7	4%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	122	63%
	MEAN	2.85	

		#	%
<i>3d. Recognizing connections between different fields of study</i>	4 – Very often	66	34%
	3 – Often	101	52%
	2 – Sometimes	26	13%
	1 – Never	0	0%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	167	87%
	MEAN	3.21	

4. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing the following skills for *critical thinking and inquiry*?

		#	%
<i>4a. Reading carefully</i>	4 – Very often	108	56%
	3 – Often	71	37%
	2 – Sometimes	14	7%
	1 – Never	0	0%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	179	93%
	MEAN	3.49	

		#	%
<i>4b. Thinking critically</i>	4 - Very often	109	56%
	3 - Often	81	42%
	2 - Sometimes	3	2%
	1 - Never	0	0%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	190	98%
	MEAN	3.55	

		#	%
<i>4c. Understanding and using quantitative information</i>	4 - Very often	64	33%
	3 - Often	68	35%
	2 - Sometimes	59	31%
	1 - Never	1	2%
	Total	192	100%
	Very often + Often	132	69%
	MEAN	3.02	

		#	%
<i>4d. Finding and evaluating academic research resources</i>	4 - Very often	62	32%
	3 - Often	84	44%
	2 - Sometimes	47	24%
	1 - Never	0	0%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	146	76%
	MEAN	3.08	

		#	%
<i>4e. Stating and supporting an argument with evidence</i>	4 - Very often	93	48%
	3 - Often	74	38%
	2 - Sometimes	26	13%
	1 - Never	0	0%
	Total	193	100%
	Very often + Often	167	87%
	MEAN	3.35	

5. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing the following skills for *effective communication and collaboration*?

		#	%
<i>5a. Writing clearly and expressively</i>	4 - Very often	84	44%
	3 - Often	83	44%
	2 - Sometimes	21	11%
	1 - Never	1	2%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	167	88%
	MEAN	3.32	

		#	%
<i>5b. Speaking persuasively and confidently</i>	4 - Very often	52	28%
	3 - Often	69	37%
	2 - Sometimes	64	34%
	1 - Never	4	2%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	121	64%
	MEAN	2.89	

		#	%
<i>5c. Listening thoughtfully</i>	4 - Very often	93	49%
	3 - Often	87	46%
	2 - Sometimes	7	4%
	1 - Never	1	2%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	180	96%
	MEAN	3.45	

		#	%
<i>5d. Understanding and expressing ideas in more than one language</i>	4 - Very often	64	34%
	3 - Often	73	39%
	2 - Sometimes	39	21%
	1 - Never	13	7%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	137	72%
	MEAN	2.99	

		#	%
<i>5e. Working effectively with others to accomplish a goal or complete a project</i>	4 - Very often	65	34%
	3 - Often	79	42%
	2 - Sometimes	44	23%
	1 - Never	1	2%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	144	76%
	MEAN	3.10	

6. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing the following skills for **connecting and applying your learning**?

		#	%
<i>6a. Thinking creatively</i>	4 - Very often	66	35%
	3 - Often	86	46%
	2 - Sometimes	36	19%
	1 - Never	1	2%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	152	80%
	MEAN	3.15	

		#	%
<i>6b. Solving problems</i>	4 - Very often	92	49%
	3 - Often	70	37%
	2 - Sometimes	27	14%
	1 - Never	0	0%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	162	86%
	MEAN	3.34	

		#	%
<i>6c. Connecting information and ideas from different sources or experiences</i>	4 - Very often	76	40%
	3 - Often	87	46%
	2 - Sometimes	26	14%
	1 - Never	0	0%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	163	86%
	MEAN	3.26	

		#	%
<i>6d. Applying your knowledge to new situations or problems</i>	4 - Very often	72	38%
	3 - Often	78	41%
	2 - Sometimes	39	21%
	1 - Never	0	0%
	Total	189	100%
	Very often + Often	150	79%
	MEAN	3.17	

7. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing the following skills for *responsible interpersonal, civic, and global engagement*?

		#	%
<i>7a. Being a good family member, friend, or neighbor</i>	4 - Very often	83	44%
	3 - Often	73	39%
	2 - Sometimes	32	17%
	1 - Never	0	0%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	156	83%
	MEAN	3.27	

		#	%
<i>7b. Working to make a difference in the local community</i>	4 - Very often	18	10%
	3 - Often	50	27%
	2 - Sometimes	90	48%
	1 - Never	30	16%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	68	36%
	MEAN	2.30	

		#	%
<i>7c. Understanding and responding to global systems and challenges</i>	4 - Very often	36	19%
	3 - Often	58	31%
	2 - Sometimes	74	39%
	1 - Never	20	11%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	94	50%
	MEAN	2.59	

		#	%
<i>7d. Interacting effectively with people from cultural backgrounds other than your own</i>	4 - Very often	75	40%
	3 - Often	74	40%
	2 - Sometimes	35	19%
	1 - Never	3	2%
	Total	187	100%
	Very often + Often	149	80%
	MEAN	3.18	

		#	%
<i>7e. Analyzing and applying ethical principals in making decisions</i>	4 - Very often	61	33%
	3 - Often	85	45%
	2 - Sometimes	35	19%
	1 - Never	6	3%
	Total	187	100%
	Very often + Often	146	78%
	MEAN	3.07	

8. How often during your first year at St. Olaf have you worked on developing the following skills for *discerning and pursuing your life's purpose*?

		#	%
<i>8a. Reflecting on your learning experiences and outcomes</i>	4 - Very often	75	40%
	3 - Often	82	44%
	2 - Sometimes	30	16%
	1 - Never	1	2%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	157	84%
	MEAN	3.23	

		#	%
<i>8b. Using many resources to establish goals and make plans</i>	4 - Very often	57	30%
	3 - Often	81	43%
	2 - Sometimes	47	25%
	1 - Never	3	2%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	138	73%
	MEAN	3.02	

		#	%
<i>8c. Developing a sense of vocation</i>	4 - Very often	48	26%
	3 - Often	63	34%
	2 - Sometimes	67	36%
	1 - Never	10	5%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	111	59%
	MEAN	2.79	

		#	%
<i>8d. Preparing for continued learning throughout your life</i>	4 - Very often	75	40%
	3 - Often	70	37%
	2 - Sometimes	40	21%
	1 - Never	3	2%
	Total	188	100%
	Very often + Often	145	77%
	MEAN	3.15	

9. While St. Olaf aims to engage you in developing all eight of these goals and the skills and abilities associated with each, *where do you think you have grown the most this year?*

	#	%
Purposeful self-development	59	32%
Broad knowledge of human cultures and the natural world	29	16%
Discerning and pursuing your life's purpose	23	12%
Critical thinking and inquiry	22	12%
Specialized knowledge of a particular subject, field, or topic	19	10%
Connecting and applying your learning	18	10%
Effective communication and collaboration	14	7%
Responsible interpersonal, civic, and global engagement	3	2%
Total	187	100%