

Troy University Proficiency Profile (MAPP) Annual Report

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The report examines general education assessment to ensure a cycle of continuous Improvement in teaching and learning. To complete the analysis of results from the Proficiency Profile MAPP (Measure of Academic Proficiency and Progress) Assessment.

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ABSTRACT

Dothan, Montgomery, Phenix City, Troy Global (Onsite), and eTroy (Online) Distance Learning

The MAPP test is designed to evaluate the performance of the university's general studies program. It is assumed that by the end of the sophomore year the typical student has taken the majority of their general studies classes. The test is designed to highlight any changes that need to be made to improve the general studies experience or to fill in any holes there may be in the general studies experience. The school is not interested so much in individual scores as in the overall scores of the students in different areas. That is the reason the MAPP test is given at the end of the sophomore year. Associates take the test after completion of 48 hours and prior to graduation (exit exam), and bachelors 60-89 hours. The MAPP test was referred to as the "Rising Junior" test at one time.

Troy Campus

Students on the Troy campus are required to take the Proficiency Profile (MAPP) exam, which is an assessment of the students current skill level in reading, critical thinking, writing, and mathematics. As an ongoing effort of the universities mission to help students achieve academic excellence and successful degree completion, this process will play a major role toward achieving these goals. These goals of the university will serve to benefit students' academic goals and successes at TROY.

Pre-test the following groups as entering freshmen:

- 1) Leadership Scholarship Recipients (Minimum 22 ACT)
 - a. Completion of the Proficiency Profile exam will be a requirement for receiving the scholarship.
 - 2) Conditionally Admitted Students (Below 20 ACT)
 - a. Completion of the Proficiency Profile exam will be a requirement for conditional admit.
 - 3) The Millennium Scholar's Award (Minimum 31 ACT)
 - a. Completion of the Proficiency Profile exam will be a requirement for receiving the scholarship.
 - 4) The Chancellor's Scholar's Award (Minimum 27 ACT)
 - a. Completion of the Proficiency Profile exam will be a requirement for receiving the scholarship.
- I. The Pre exam will begin Fall 2014 with students completing the exam prior to the end of their first semester. The Post exam will be administered, during the Spring semester after the student has obtained at least 60 hours.
- II. Requirement of the MAPP exam for Associate degree students for Montgomery and Global campus as an exit exam will continue.
- III. The MAPP exam on the Montgomery, Dothan, Phenix City, and Global campuses will continue to be given to rising juniors who have completed between 60-89 hours.

Pre Analysis (Understanding This Report)

Using Scores and Reports

Troy University Department of IRPE uses the Proficiency Profile (MAPP) scores to:

- gauge student learning outcomes of traditional, blended learning and distance learning students
- measure and document program effectiveness to meet requirements for accreditation and program funding
- assess student proficiency in core academic skill areas to identify strengths, weaknesses and opportunities to improve curriculum
- compare Troy's own performance against the performance of their peers

Scores Reported

Norm-referenced Scores (Scaled Scores)

Eight scaled scores are reported for students taking the Proficiency Profile (MAPP) test:

- a total score
- four skills subscores (critical thinking, reading, writing, mathematics)
- three context-based subscores (humanities, social sciences, natural sciences)

The total score is reported on a scale that extends from 400 to 500. The seven subscores are reported on a scale that extends from 100 to 130.

Criterion-referenced Scores (Proficiency Classifications)

In addition to a total score, proficiency classifications (proficient, marginal or not proficient) measure how well your students have mastered each level of proficiency within three skill areas:

- Reading/Critical Thinking
- Writing
- Mathematics

Within each of these three skill areas, the specific skills tested by the Proficiency Profile (MAPP) test are classified into three proficiency levels, identified simply as Level 1, Level 2 and Level 3. Each proficiency level is defined in terms of a set of specific competencies expected of students.

Comparative Data Reports

Proficiency Profile (MAPP) Comparative Data Guide (CDG) that provides invaluable information. This data is used to compare the scores and proficiency classifications Troy students with those of a large group of students at other institutions.

The annual CDG contains tables of scaled scores and percentiles for individual student scores and institutional means drawn directly from test takers across the nation. The CDG also provides percentiles for individual student subscores and a summary of proficiency classifications. Statistics are provided by class level (freshman, sophomore, etc.) and institution type and include a demographic summary.

Analysis

Summary of Scaled Scores (*All Students*)

Number of students tested: 812

Number of students included in these statistics: 782

| | Possible Range | Troy Mean Score | National Mean Score | 95% Confidence Limits* for Mean | Standard Deviation | 25th Percentile | 50th Percentile | 75th Percentile |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| <hr/> | | | | | | | | |
| Total Score | 400 to 500 | 439.01 | 442.51 | 438 to 440 | 19.48 | 425 | 435 | 450 |
| Skills Subscores | | | | | | | | |
| Critical Thinking | 100 to 130 | 110.45 | 111.35 | 110 to 111 | 6.18 | 106 | 109 | 114 |
| Reading | 100 to 130 | 115.92 | 117.37 | 115 to 117 | 7.45 | 110 | 116 | 122 |
| Writing | 100 to 130 | 113.55 | 113.92 | 113 to 114 | 5.60 | 110 | 114 | 117 |
| Mathematics | 100 to 130 | 111.64 | 112.97 | 111 to 112 | 6.26 | 107 | 110 | 116 |
| Context-Based Subscores | | | | | | | | |
| Humanities | 100 to 130 | 114.11 | 114.40 | 113 to 115 | 6.50 | 109 | 113 | 119 |
| Social Sciences | 100 to 130 | 112.00 | 113.08 | 111 to 113 | 6.28 | 107 | 112 | 116 |
| Natural Sciences | 100 to 130 | 114.24 | 114.75 | 114 to 115 | 6.44 | 110 | 114 | 119 |

* The confidence limits are based on the assumption that the questions contributing to each scaled score are a sample from a much larger set of possible questions that could have been used to measure those same skills. If the group of students taking the test is a sample from some larger population of students eligible to be tested, the confidence limits include both sampling of students and sampling of questions as factors that could cause the mean score to vary. The confidence limits indicate the precision of the mean score of the students actually tested, as an estimate of the "true population mean" - the mean score that would result if all the students in the population could somehow be tested with all possible questions. These confidence limits were computed by a procedure that has a 95 percent probability of producing upper and lower limits that will surround the true population mean. The population size used in the calculation of the confidence limits for the mean scores in this report is 782. Reports based on a sample of fewer than 50 test takers are representative of the performance of **that sample only**. Reports based on **fewer than 50 test takers** should not be considered representative of the larger group of like students, and inferences or generalizations about the larger population or subgroup **should not** be made based on such small samples.

More than 90 semester hours

| | Possible Range | Mean Score | 95% Confidence Limits* for Mean | Standard Deviation | 25th Percentile | 50th Percentile | 75th Percentile |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Total Score | 400 to 500 | 437.45 | 436 to 439 | 19.17 | 425 | 435 | 447 |
| Skills Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Critical Thinking | 100 to 130 | 110.48 | 109 to 111 | 6.07 | 106 | 110 | 114 |
| Reading | 100 to 130 | 115.89 | 115 to 117 | 7.45 | 110 | 116 | 122 |
| Writing | 100 to 130 | 112.40 | 112 to 113 | 5.81 | 108 | 113 | 117 |
| Mathematics | 100 to 130 | 111.49 | 111 to 112 | 6.69 | 107 | 110 | 116 |
| Context-Based Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Humanities | 100 to 130 | 113.84 | 113 to 115 | 6.28 | 109 | 113 | 119 |
| Social Sciences | 100 to 130 | 111.87 | 111 to 113 | 6.15 | 107 | 112 | 116 |
| Natural Sciences | 100 to 130 | 114.53 | 113 to 116 | 6.32 | 110 | 114 | 119 |

61 - 90 semester hours

| | Possible Range | Mean Score | 95% Confidence Limits* for Mean | Standard Deviation | 25th Percentile | 50th Percentile | 75th Percentile |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Total Score | 400 to 500 | 440.40 | 439 to 441 | 19.87 | 426 | 437 | 451 |
| Skills Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Critical Thinking | 100 to 130 | 110.77 | 110 to 112 | 6.32 | 106 | 110 | 114 |
| Reading | 100 to 130 | 116.13 | 115 to 117 | 7.45 | 110 | 116 | 122 |
| Writing | 100 to 130 | 113.91 | 113 to 115 | 5.55 | 111 | 114 | 117 |
| Mathematics | 100 to 130 | 112.20 | 111 to 113 | 6.25 | 108 | 111 | 116 |
| Context-Based Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Humanities | 100 to 130 | 114.39 | 114 to 115 | 6.59 | 109 | 114 | 119 |
| Social Sciences | 100 to 130 | 112.24 | 111 to 113 | 6.45 | 107 | 112 | 116 |
| Natural Sciences | 100 to 130 | 114.42 | 114 to 115 | 6.54 | 110 | 114 | 120 |

30 - 60 semester hours

| | Possible Range | Mean Score | 95% Confidence Limits* for Mean | Standard Deviation | 25th Percentile | 50th Percentile | 75th Percentile |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | | | | | | |
| Total Score | 400 to 500 | 435.43 | 434 to 437 | 17.78 | 423 | 431 | 447 |
| Skills Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Critical Thinking | 100 to 130 | 109.36 | 108 to 110 | 5.67 | 106 | 109 | 113 |
| Reading | 100 to 130 | 114.89 | 114 to 116 | 7.49 | 109 | 114 | 122 |
| Writing | 100 to 130 | 113.25 | 112 to 114 | 5.42 | 109 | 113 | 117 |
| Mathematics | 100 to 130 | 109.95 | 109 to 111 | 5.38 | 107 | 108 | 113 |
| Context-Based Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Humanities | 100 to 130 | 113.28 | 112 to 114 | 6.36 | 108 | 112 | 118 |
| Social Sciences | 100 to 130 | 111.16 | 110 to 112 | 5.69 | 107 | 110 | 116 |
| Natural Sciences | 100 to 130 | 113.20 | 112 to 114 | 6.06 | 108 | 113 | 118 |

Fewer than 30 semester hours

| | Possible Range | Mean Score | 95% Confidence Limits* for Mean | Standard Deviation | 25th Percentile | 50th Percentile | 75th Percentile |
|--------------------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Total Score | | | | | | | |
| Total Score | 400 to 500 | 435.22 | 431 to 440 | 19.15 | 426 | 432 | 446 |
| Skills Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Critical Thinking | 100 to 130 | 108.22 | 106 to 111 | 4.87 | 104 | 108 | 113 |
| Reading | 100 to 130 | 116.89 | 114 to 119 | 7.26 | 113 | 118 | 122 |
| Writing | 100 to 130 | 112.56 | 111 to 115 | 7.01 | 111 | 113 | 117 |
| Mathematics | 100 to 130 | 109.56 | 107 to 112 | 6.50 | 105 | 107 | 111 |
| Context-Based Subscores | | | | | | | |
| Humanities | 100 to 130 | 113.33 | 111 to 116 | 5.94 | 108 | 116 | 118 |
| Social Sciences | 100 to 130 | 111.78 | 109 to 114 | 6.34 | 108 | 110 | 114 |
| Natural Sciences | 100 to 130 | 113.89 | 111 to 116 | 6.47 | 109 | 115 | 120 |

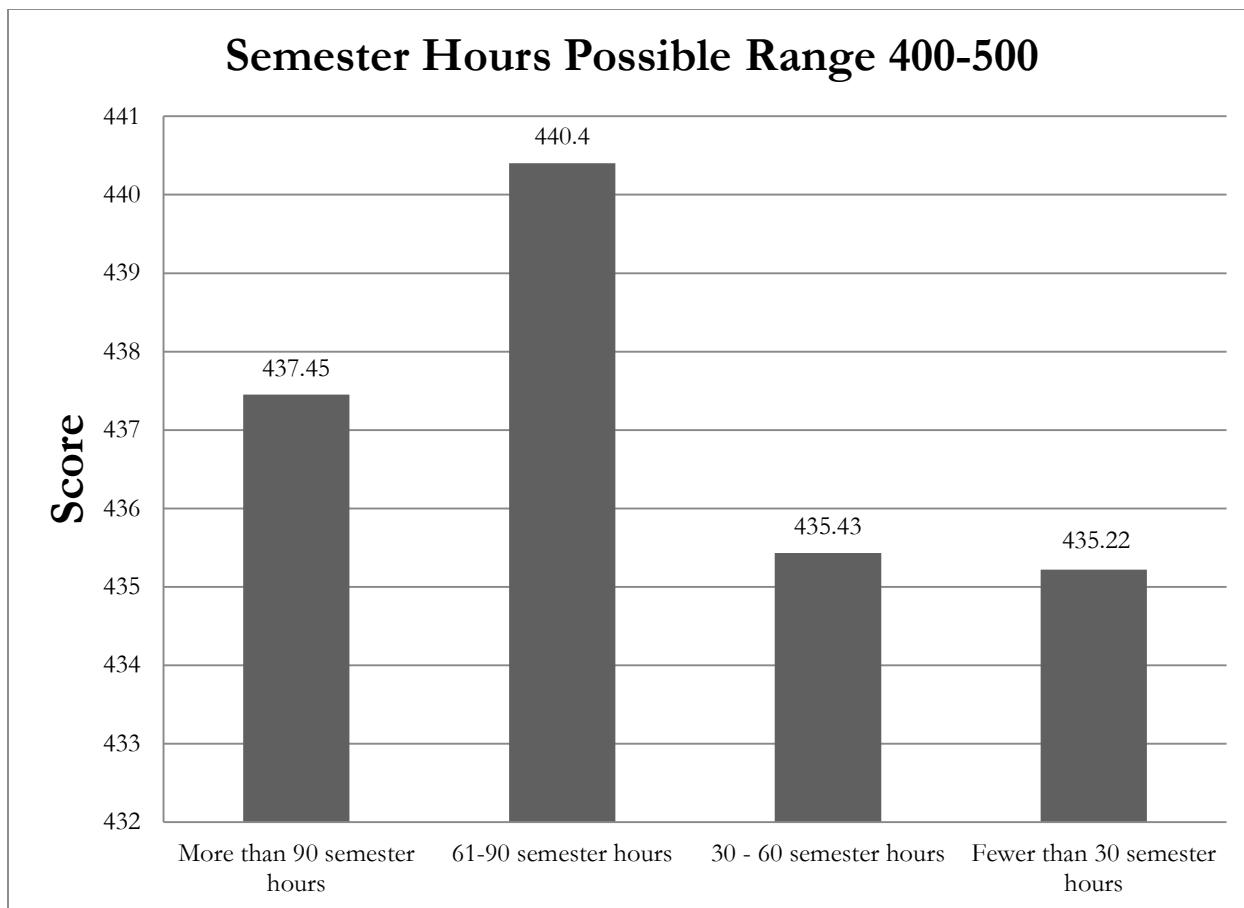


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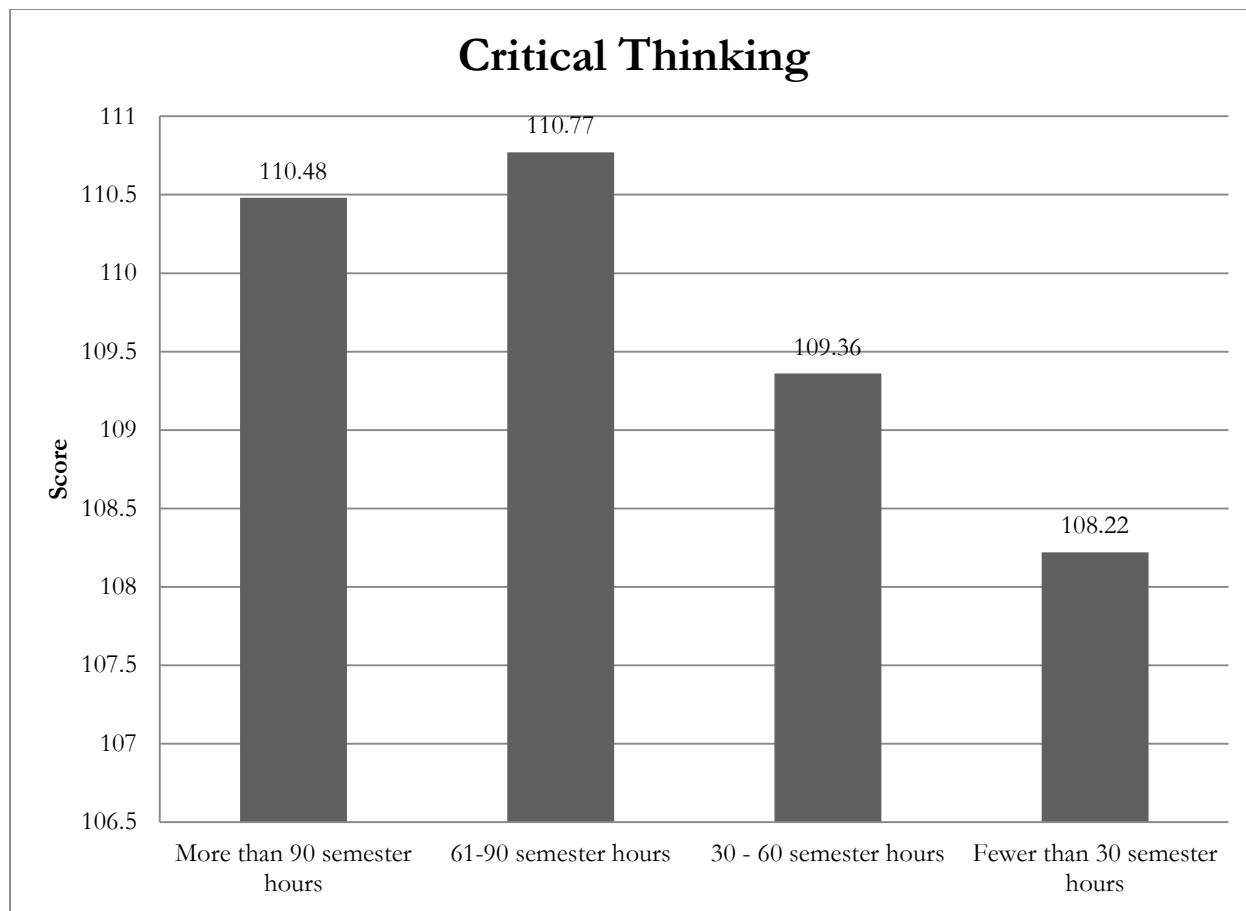


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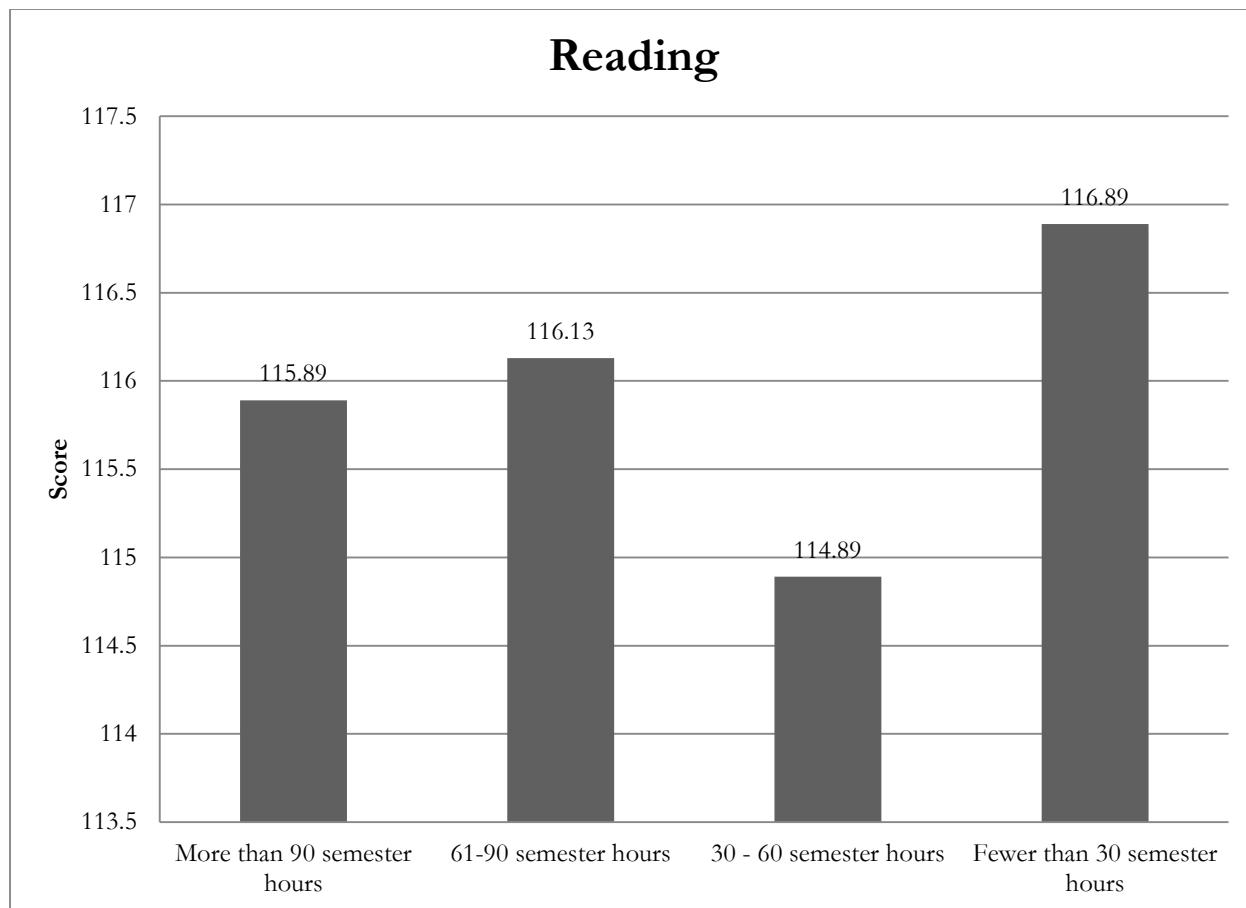


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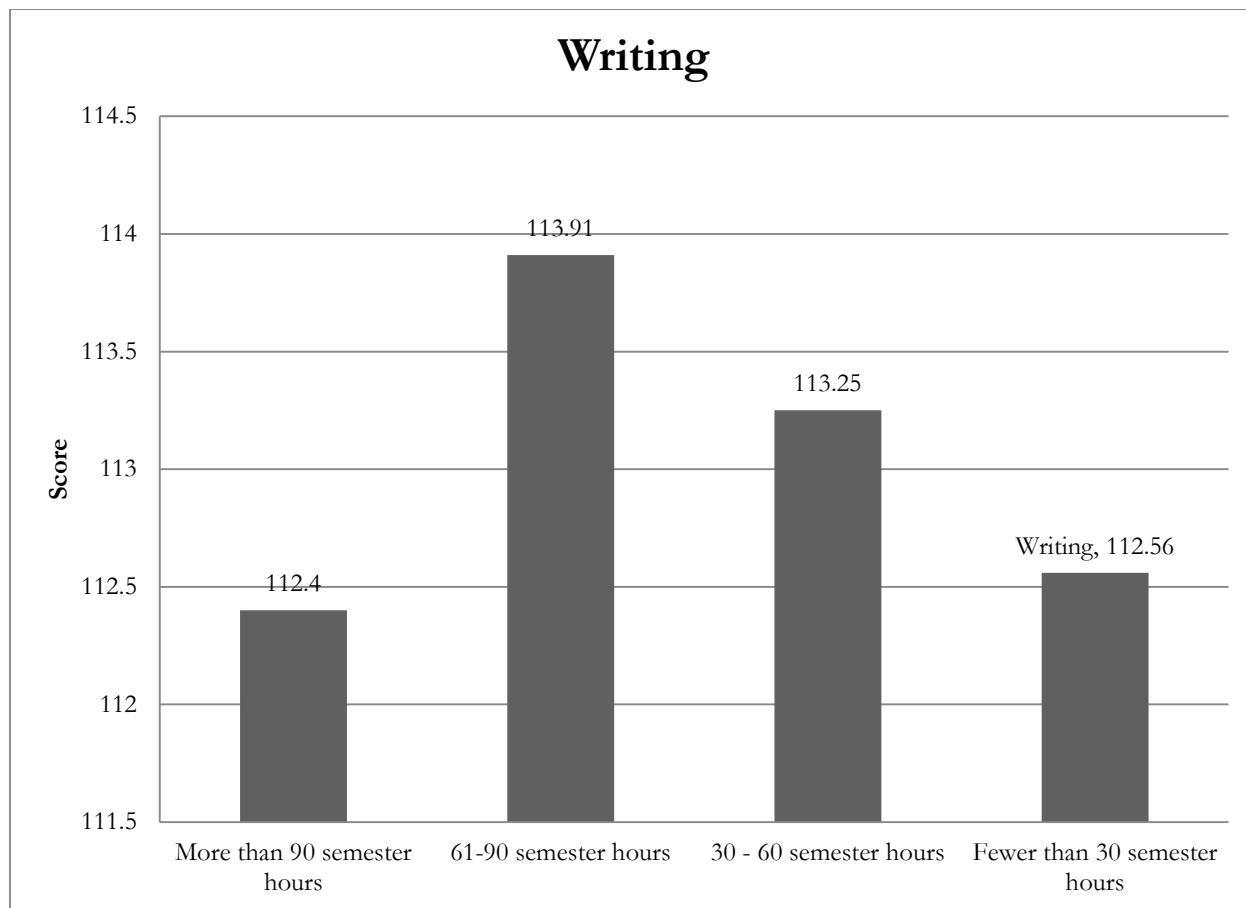


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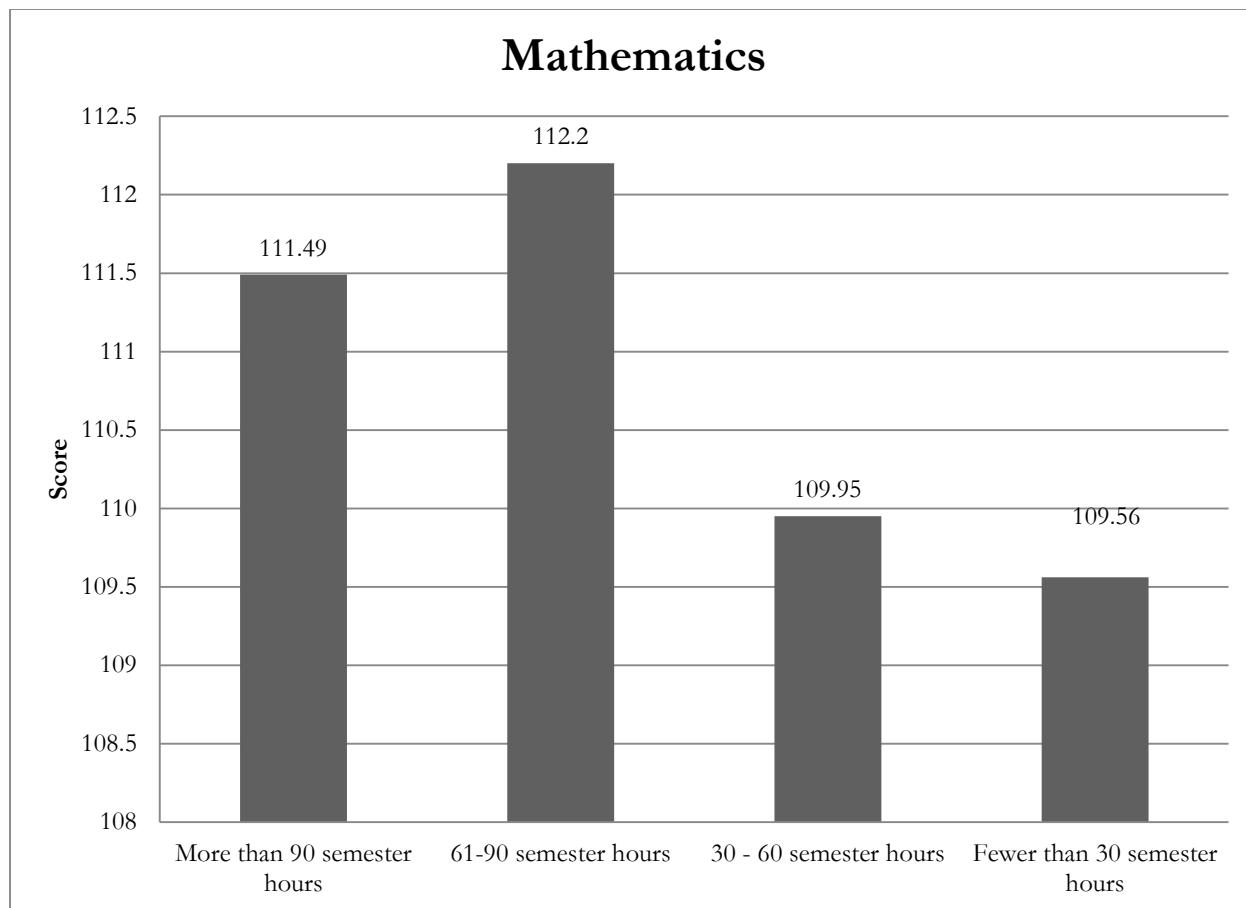


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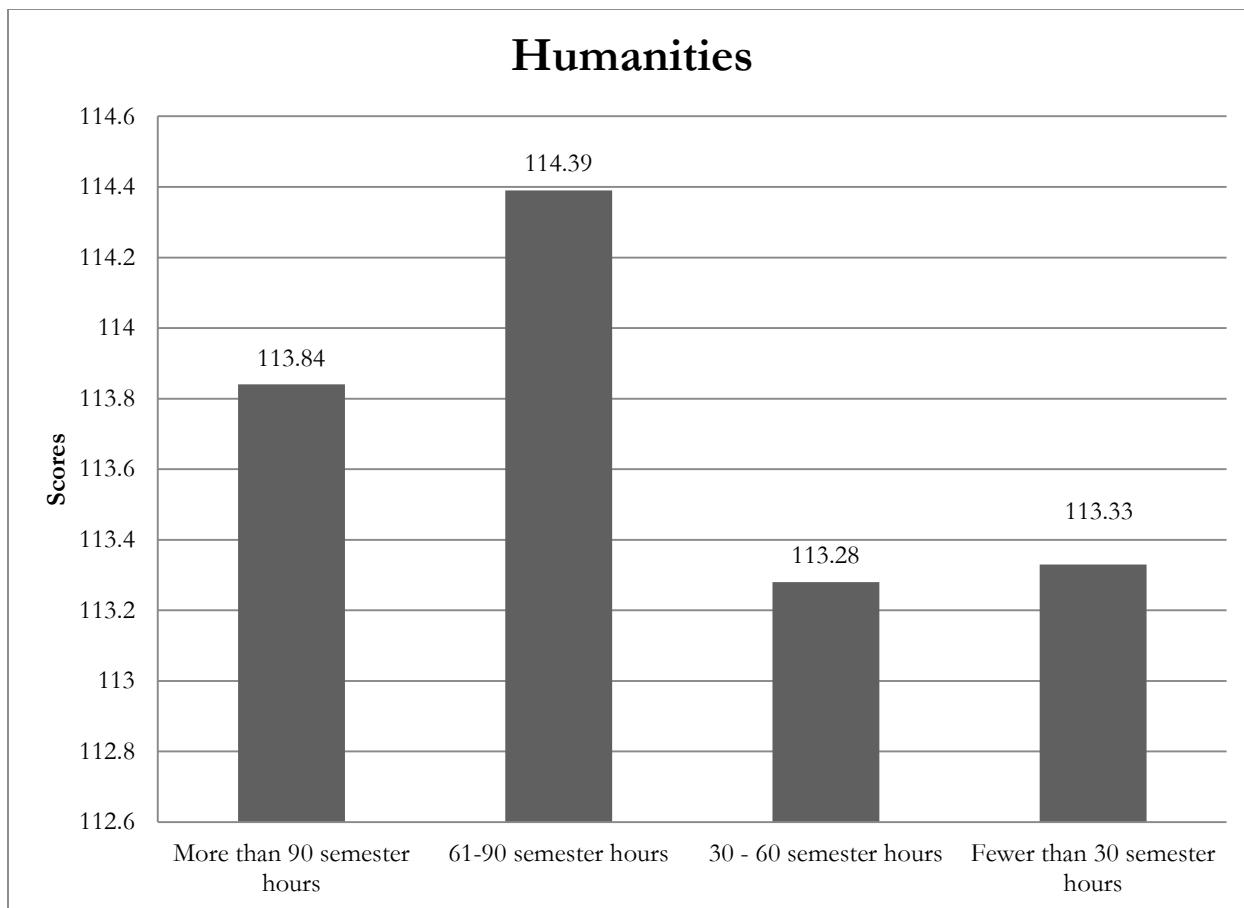


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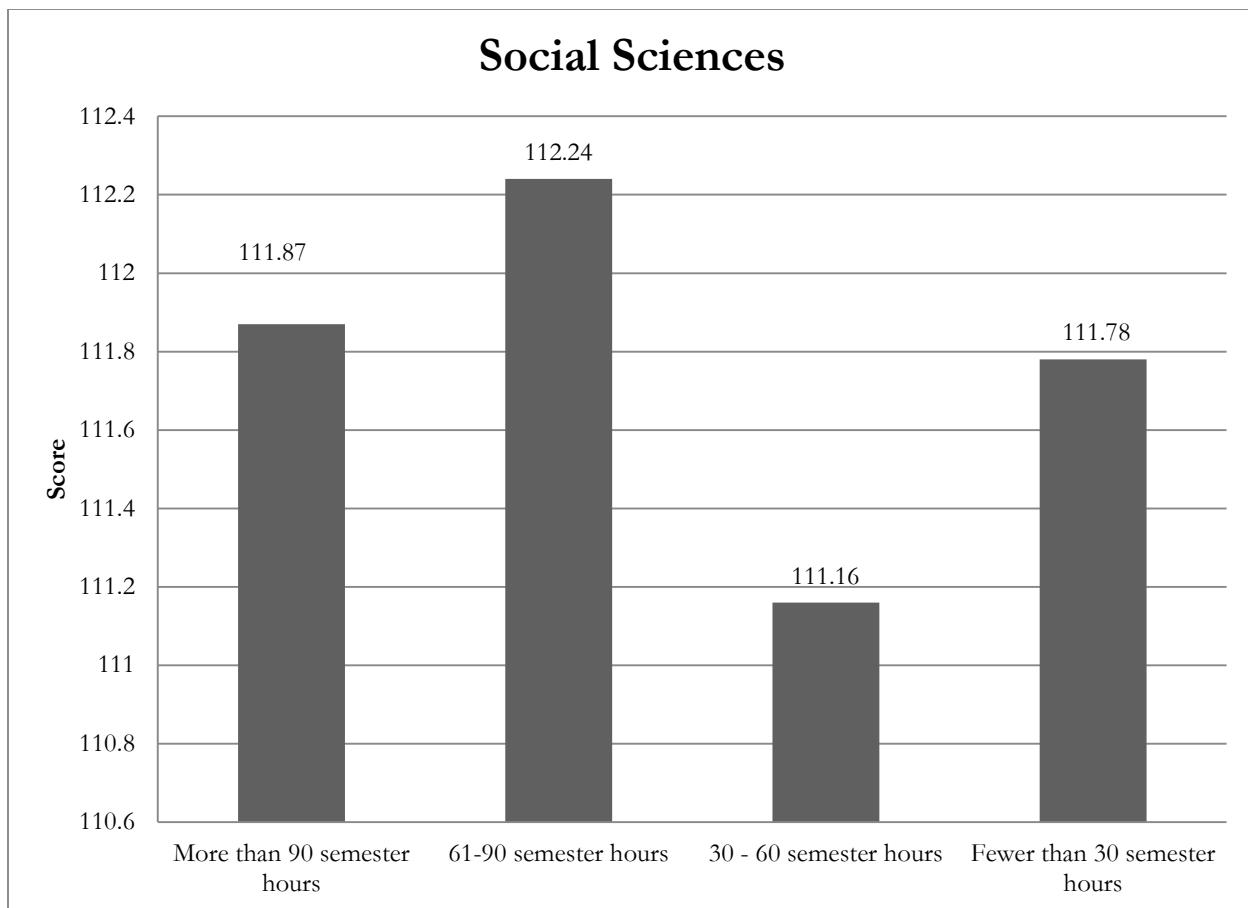


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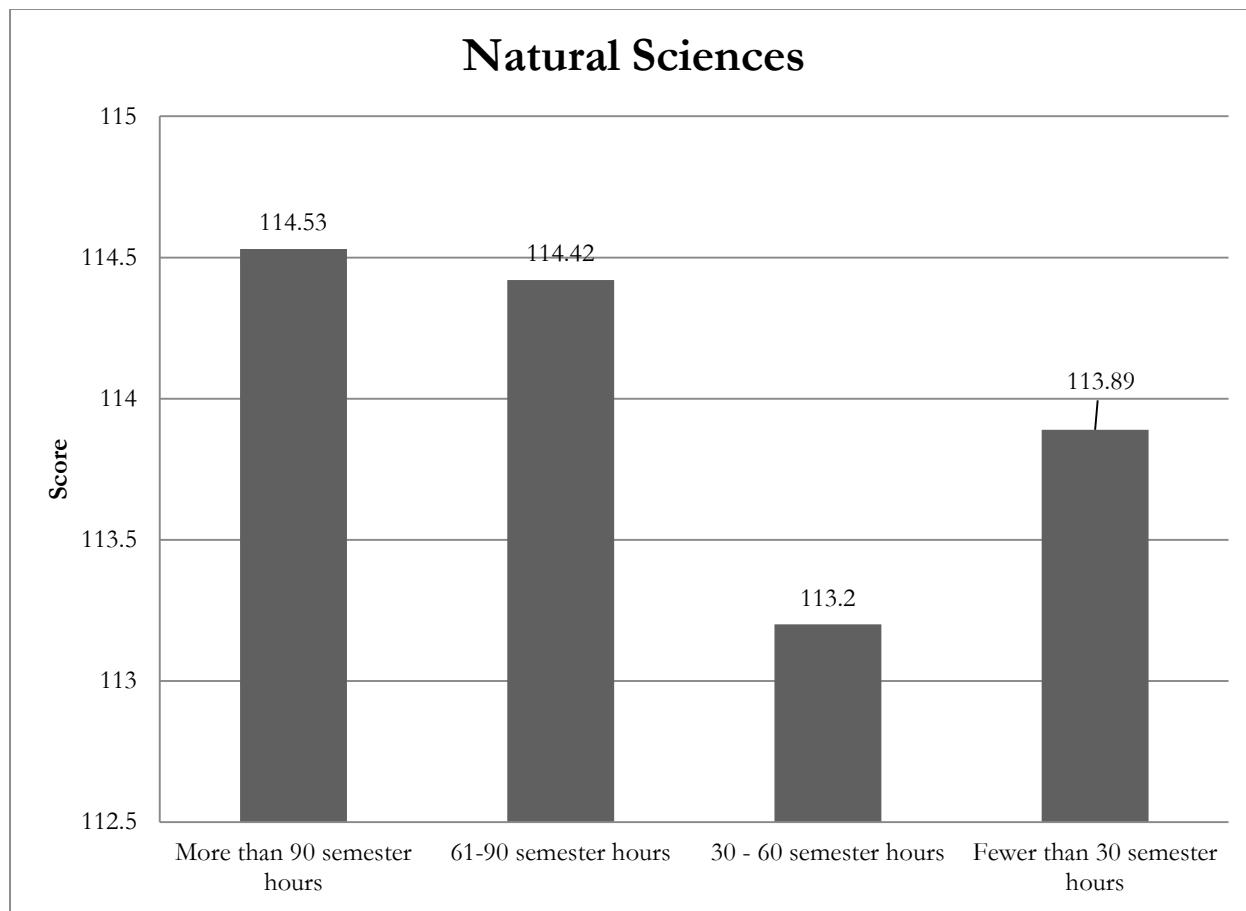


Figure 8

Demographic Analysis

Program Enrolled

Number of students tested: 848

Number of students included in these statistics: 817

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|----------------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 817 | 438.11 (19.62) | 110.21 (6.19) | 115.52 (7.59) | 113.22 (5.75) | 111.64 (6.18) | 113.89 (6.51) | 111.73 (6.30) | 113.88 (6.55) |
| AA/AS | 47 | 434.23 (13.83) | 109.60 (4.77) | 115.23 (5.83) | 113.45 (4.45) | 108.77 (4.43) | 113.55 (5.12) | 110.77 (5.28) | 113.64 (4.99) |
| BA/BS | 698 | 439.91 (19.97) | 110.66 (6.31) | 116.30 (7.51) | 113.90 (5.46) | 111.67 (6.13) | 114.43 (6.58) | 112.26 (6.34) | 114.45 (6.60) |
| Transfer Program | 42 | 422.93 (9.24) | 106.14 (3.76) | 107.05 (3.92) | 104.31 (3.39) | 116.48 (6.51) | 108.98 (4.26) | 106.26 (3.25) | 108.19 (3.90) |
| Career/Vocational | 11 | 423.00 (9.09) | 106.36 (3.65) | 108.27 (5.03) | 109.91 (4.10) | 108.73 (2.60) | 107.73 (2.56) | 108.18 (4.22) | 108.82 (3.56) |
| Certificate | 2 | 444.50 (24.50) | 113.50 (6.50) | 116.00 (9.00) | 111.50 (9.50) | 115.50 (3.50) | 117.00 (4.00) | 115.50 (8.50) | 112.00 (9.00) |
| Life-Long Learning | 2 | 415.50 (10.50) | 105.00 (2.00) | 109.00 (1.00) | 107.00 (6.00) | 104.50 (3.50) | 108.00 (0.00) | 108.00 (6.00) | 108.50 (3.50) |
| Work Force Training | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Other | 15 | 422.13 (8.85) | 105.40 (3.40) | 110.13 (5.58) | 109.00 (3.31) | 108.13 (4.87) | 108.60 (3.54) | 108.27 (4.99) | 108.93 (3.21) |

Transfer Status

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|----------------------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| Not a transfer | 517 | 438.99 (19.27) | 110.45 (6.07) | 116.03 (7.24) | 113.75 (5.11) | 111.30 (6.07) | 114.27 (6.44) | 112.04 (6.04) | 114.21 (6.33) |
| 0 - 15 hours transferred | 72 | 440.13 (21.72) | 110.81 (6.54) | 115.50 (8.51) | 113.38 (6.82) | 112.69 (6.63) | 113.69 (7.11) | 112.50 (6.89) | 114.26 (6.88) |
| 16 - 30 hours transferred | 89 | 436.22 (19.00) | 109.56 (6.39) | 114.83 (7.53) | 112.38 (6.73) | 111.76 (6.32) | 113.66 (6.68) | 110.83 (6.44) | 113.28 (6.55) |
| Over 30 hours transferred | 104 | 440.68 (19.00) | 110.91 (6.24) | 116.55 (7.53) | 113.67 (5.83) | 112.54 (6.69) | 113.98 (6.19) | 112.50 (6.70) | 115.16 (6.44) |

Major

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|---|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| Accounting | 47 | 439.04 (16.64) | 109.81 (5.35) | 115.66 (7.03) | 112.70 (6.21) | 113.57 (6.01) | 114.23 (6.35) | 111.06 (5.61) | 114.09 (5.91) |
| Chemistry | 6 | 450.50 (19.28) | 112.83 (5.79) | 118.67 (9.23) | 111.83 (5.46) | 121.33 (4.82) | 116.67 (7.72) | 114.67 (6.57) | 117.17 (5.76) |
| Communication | 30 | 436.77 (19.83) | 110.03 (5.95) | 115.07 (7.69) | 114.33 (5.28) | 109.23 (4.87) | 113.60 (6.65) | 112.80 (6.25) | 112.77 (6.36) |
| Computer & Information Sciences | 43 | 446.88 (24.46) | 111.93 (7.71) | 117.37 (8.93) | 114.51 (6.78) | 115.77 (6.99) | 115.28 (8.01) | 113.33 (7.82) | 116.07 (7.24) |
| Criminal Justice | 63 | 432.79 (18.81) | 109.00 (6.29) | 114.05 (6.85) | 112.29 (4.99) | 109.24 (5.50) | 112.40 (5.79) | 110.37 (6.04) | 112.97 (6.50) |
| Earth, Atmosphere & Marine Sciences | 1 | 420.00 (0.00) | 107.00 (0.00) | 114.00 (0.00) | 101.00 (0.00) | 108.00 (0.00) | 109.00 (0.00) | 112.00 (0.00) | 112.00 (0.00) |
| Economics | 1 | 457.00 (0.00) | 114.00 (0.00) | 121.00 (0.00) | 117.00 (0.00) | 122.00 (0.00) | 119.00 (0.00) | 114.00 (0.00) | 119.00 (0.00) |
| Education | 61 | 436.74 (16.27) | 109.23 (5.16) | 114.61 (7.09) | 113.89 (4.81) | 111.08 (4.84) | 113.08 (6.12) | 111.08 (5.41) | 112.67 (5.77) |
| Engineering & Engineering Technologies | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| English | 27 | 442.67 (21.70) | 111.96 (7.36) | 117.19 (8.04) | 115.11 (5.89) | 110.93 (6.46) | 115.96 (7.32) | 113.30 (6.87) | 114.96 (7.86) |
| Environmental Sciences | 4 | 427.50 (12.11) | 106.50 (4.97) | 111.50 (6.98) | 105.75 (4.32) | 118.00 (9.14) | 108.25 (3.63) | 108.00 (4.69) | 111.75 (5.76) |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|---|----|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Agriculture | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Foreign Languages & Literature | 3 | 444.67 (3.86) | 114.33 (0.47) | 118.00 (3.74) | 115.67 (3.86) | 110.67 (1.89) | 118.00 (2.16) | 114.67 (5.79) | 116.00 (2.83) |
| Geological Sciences | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Health & Medical Sciences | 47 | 440.85 (17.68) | 111.64 (5.49) | 116.32 (7.79) | 114.87 (5.11) | 110.77 (4.71) | 115.11 (6.89) | 112.79 (5.67) | 114.83 (6.44) |
| History | 9 | 456.11 (16.66) | 118.22 (5.33) | 122.78 (5.24) | 117.00 (3.46) | 112.11 (5.65) | 121.56 (4.57) | 119.00 (6.58) | 119.44 (4.17) |
| Liberal Studies | 1 | 439.00 (0.00) | 113.00 (0.00) | 115.00 (0.00) | 116.00 (0.00) | 108.00 (0.00) | 112.00 (0.00) | 110.00 (0.00) | 119.00 (0.00) |
| Marketing | 16 | 441.50 (22.13) | 111.13 (6.29) | 116.75 (8.07) | 114.44 (5.61) | 111.88 (6.80) | 114.13 (6.10) | 112.75 (6.43) | 115.31 (6.85) |
| Mathematical Sciences | 15 | 456.53 (23.96) | 113.07 (7.09) | 120.13 (8.68) | 117.20 (5.33) | 119.00 (6.24) | 116.67 (7.92) | 115.73 (6.69) | 117.60 (7.74) |
| Music | 5 | 435.60 (18.16) | 110.40 (4.13) | 112.20 (6.34) | 111.60 (6.41) | 114.00 (6.20) | 112.80 (3.97) | 108.40 (3.61) | 114.00 (5.55) |
| Philosophy | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Physics & Astronomy | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Allied Health | 2 | 435.00 (16.00) | 109.50 (0.50) | 119.50 (6.50) | 110.00 (5.00) | 109.50 (4.50) | 115.00 (1.00) | 116.50 (4.50) | 112.50 (4.50) |
| Political Science | 12 | 439.42 (10.26) | 112.25 (5.29) | 118.17 (4.06) | 113.25 (2.65) | 109.67 (3.30) | 115.50 (4.03) | 115.58 (4.21) | 114.58 (3.88) |
| Psychology | 93 | 434.37 (16.92) | 109.27 (5.59) | 115.82 (6.67) | 112.89 (5.01) | 108.89 (5.03) | 113.60 (6.24) | 111.48 (5.51) | 113.38 (5.56) |

| | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Religion & Theology | 1 | 415.00 (0.00) | 107.00 (0.00) | 101.00 (0.00) | 106.00 (0.00) | 109.00 (0.00) | 104.00 (0.00) | 108.00 (0.00) | 105.00 (0.00) |
| Social Work | 38 | 428.76 (14.80) | 107.84 (5.44) | 112.95 (5.45) | 111.97 (4.99) | 107.74 (4.26) | 112.24 (5.43) | 108.26 (4.78) | 111.92 (5.67) |
| Sociology | 12 | 433.50 (12.45) | 109.75 (3.54) | 118.00 (5.45) | 110.92 (2.87) | 108.42 (5.02) | 115.08 (4.97) | 112.25 (4.85) | 114.75 (3.83) |
| Undecided | 1 | 429.00 (0.00) | 107.00 (0.00) | 110.00 (0.00) | 115.00 (0.00) | 107.00 (0.00) | 116.00 (0.00) | 104.00 (0.00) | 108.00 (0.00) |
| Other A | 73 | 435.77 (15.89) | 109.16 (5.47) | 115.71 (6.53) | 113.22 (4.61) | 110.05 (5.06) | 113.34 (6.00) | 111.42 (5.37) | 113.47 (5.86) |
| Other B | 1 | 450.00 (0.00) | 111.00 (0.00) | 123.00 (0.00) | 117.00 (0.00) | 113.00 (0.00) | 114.00 (0.00) | 118.00 (0.00) | 119.00 (0.00) |
| Other C | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Anthropology & Archeology | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Architecture & Environmental Design | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Art & Art History | 10 | 448.40 (22.17) | 114.20 (6.16) | 117.30 (8.63) | 114.60 (7.99) | 115.20 (5.74) | 117.20 (6.60) | 115.10 (7.12) | 115.30 (7.81) |
| Banking & Finance | 3 | 442.00 (20.93) | 110.33 (6.55) | 113.33 (9.29) | 111.00 (8.29) | 121.67 (2.49) | 112.00 (6.53) | 110.67 (6.02) | 115.00 (8.60) |
| Biological Sciences | 56 | 449.41 (21.97) | 113.04 (6.68) | 118.48 (7.60) | 115.77 (5.77) | 115.45 (6.50) | 115.36 (7.04) | 114.21 (6.90) | 117.57 (6.61) |
| Business Administration | 101 | 439.57 (18.90) | 110.73 (6.14) | 115.26 (7.71) | 112.99 (6.02) | 113.14 (6.19) | 114.00 (6.05) | 111.64 (6.47) | 114.18 (6.50) |

Gender

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| Male | 234 | 441.38 (22.18) | 111.10 (6.86) | 115.85 (8.33) | 113.26 (6.16) | 113.70 (6.62) | 114.09 (7.18) | 112.55 (6.88) | 114.68 (7.17) |
| Female | 518 | 438.04 (18.20) | 110.19 (5.90) | 116.05 (6.97) | 113.66 (5.31) | 110.71 (5.89) | 114.23 (6.19) | 111.81 (6.00) | 114.04 (6.09) |

GPA

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|------------------------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| None yet, entering freshman | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| 3.50 - 4.00 | 234 | 449.37 (20.14) | 113.48 (6.59) | 119.41 (7.40) | 115.93 (5.64) | 114.04 (6.02) | 117.10 (6.85) | 115.03 (6.38) | 116.97 (6.84) |
| 3.00 - 3.49 | 249 | 439.90 (18.59) | 110.58 (5.98) | 115.96 (7.19) | 113.83 (5.43) | 112.13 (6.35) | 114.32 (6.30) | 111.90 (6.30) | 114.39 (6.30) |
| 2.50 - 2.99 | 228 | 430.73 (15.26) | 107.93 (4.83) | 113.35 (6.76) | 111.58 (4.87) | 109.57 (5.43) | 111.70 (5.38) | 109.82 (5.20) | 111.98 (5.36) |
| 2.00 - 2.49 | 65 | 427.63 (13.13) | 107.92 (4.65) | 112.11 (5.13) | 110.69 (4.67) | 108.77 (5.88) | 110.82 (4.54) | 109.28 (4.55) | 111.77 (4.82) |
| 1.00 - 1.99 | 6 | 435.83 (18.33) | 109.33 (4.03) | 116.67 (7.54) | 114.67 (5.59) | 107.83 (4.74) | 115.50 (4.54) | 110.67 (5.28) | 113.50 (6.40) |

Hours Working

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|---------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| 0 | 235 | 440.91 (19.62) | 110.85 (6.34) | 116.06 (7.78) | 113.47 (6.04) | 113.21 (6.54) | 114.60 (6.54) | 112.15 (6.41) | 114.50 (7.06) |
| 1 - 15 | 167 | 439.94 (19.90) | 110.69 (6.19) | 115.83 (7.87) | 113.65 (5.49) | 112.14 (6.25) | 114.10 (7.32) | 112.18 (6.27) | 114.41 (6.07) |
| 16 - 30 | 181 | 438.24 (18.70) | 110.14 (6.06) | 115.45 (7.32) | 113.98 (5.30) | 111.14 (5.89) | 113.58 (6.02) | 111.78 (6.21) | 113.80 (6.40) |
| more than 30 | 199 | 436.68 (19.37) | 110.04 (6.06) | 116.24 (6.76) | 113.17 (5.39) | 109.83 (5.70) | 114.02 (6.09) | 111.88 (6.17) | 114.17 (5.99) |

Enrollment Status

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| Full Time | 708 | 439.34 (19.68) | 110.50 (6.24) | 115.87 (7.54) | 113.61 (5.65) | 111.88 (6.35) | 114.10 (6.53) | 111.99 (6.34) | 114.27 (6.51) |
| Part Time | 74 | 435.86 (17.12) | 109.97 (5.57) | 116.32 (6.57) | 112.92 (5.09) | 109.41 (4.76) | 114.19 (6.21) | 112.09 (5.63) | 113.89 (5.75) |

Ethnicity

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|--|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| African American | 212 | 427.29 (12.48) | 107.16 (4.34) | 112.80 (5.55) | 111.51 (4.45) | 107.42 (3.87) | 110.98 (4.56) | 109.35 (4.57) | 111.25 (4.87) |
| Black Hispanic | 15 | 431.20 (15.80) | 107.67 (4.73) | 113.60 (7.09) | 112.07 (5.13) | 109.67 (4.91) | 111.07 (4.25) | 109.07 (4.58) | 112.80 (6.41) |
| Hispanic | 10 | 439.00 (15.49) | 113.00 (6.31) | 116.90 (6.55) | 113.40 (4.48) | 109.20 (4.26) | 115.30 (6.91) | 113.20 (6.37) | 115.80 (5.62) |
| Latino | 2 | 455.50 (5.50) | 115.00 (4.00) | 121.00 (2.00) | 116.00 (1.00) | 118.50 (5.50) | 114.00 (0.00) | 117.00 (1.00) | 122.50 (3.50) |
| American Indian or Alaskan Native | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Other/Decline | 26 | 432.31 (21.66) | 108.58 (6.50) | 113.92 (7.76) | 109.81 (7.07) | 111.77 (6.22) | 112.42 (6.66) | 111.19 (5.97) | 111.81 (7.01) |
| Asian, Asian American or Pacific Islander | 68 | 428.56 (14.13) | 107.26 (4.74) | 109.00 (5.34) | 106.63 (4.98) | 117.31 (6.86) | 110.07 (5.12) | 107.49 (4.20) | 109.63 (5.29) |
| White | 449 | 446.70 (19.23) | 112.61 (6.18) | 118.58 (7.23) | 115.82 (4.70) | 112.86 (5.93) | 116.37 (6.55) | 114.04 (6.43) | 116.46 (6.22) |

Credit Hours

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|--|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| None, entering freshman | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |
| Fewer than 30 semester hours or fewer than 45 quarter hours | 9 | 435.22 (19.15) | 108.22 (4.87) | 116.89 (7.26) | 112.56 (7.01) | 109.56 (6.50) | 113.33 (5.94) | 111.78 (6.34) | 113.89 (6.47) |
| 30 - 60 semester hours or 45 - 90 quarter hours | 142 | 435.43 (17.78) | 109.36 (5.67) | 114.89 (7.49) | 113.25 (5.42) | 109.95 (5.38) | 113.28 (6.36) | 111.16 (5.69) | 113.20 (6.06) |
| 61 - 90 semester hours or 91 - 145 quarter hours | 495 | 440.53 (19.85) | 110.79 (6.33) | 116.20 (7.42) | 113.97 (5.51) | 112.21 (6.27) | 114.43 (6.59) | 112.29 (6.44) | 114.46 (6.55) |
| More than 90 semester hours or more than 145 quarter hours | 136 | 437.45 (19.17) | 110.48 (6.07) | 115.89 (7.45) | 112.40 (5.81) | 111.49 (6.69) | 113.84 (6.28) | 111.87 (6.15) | 114.53 (6.32) |

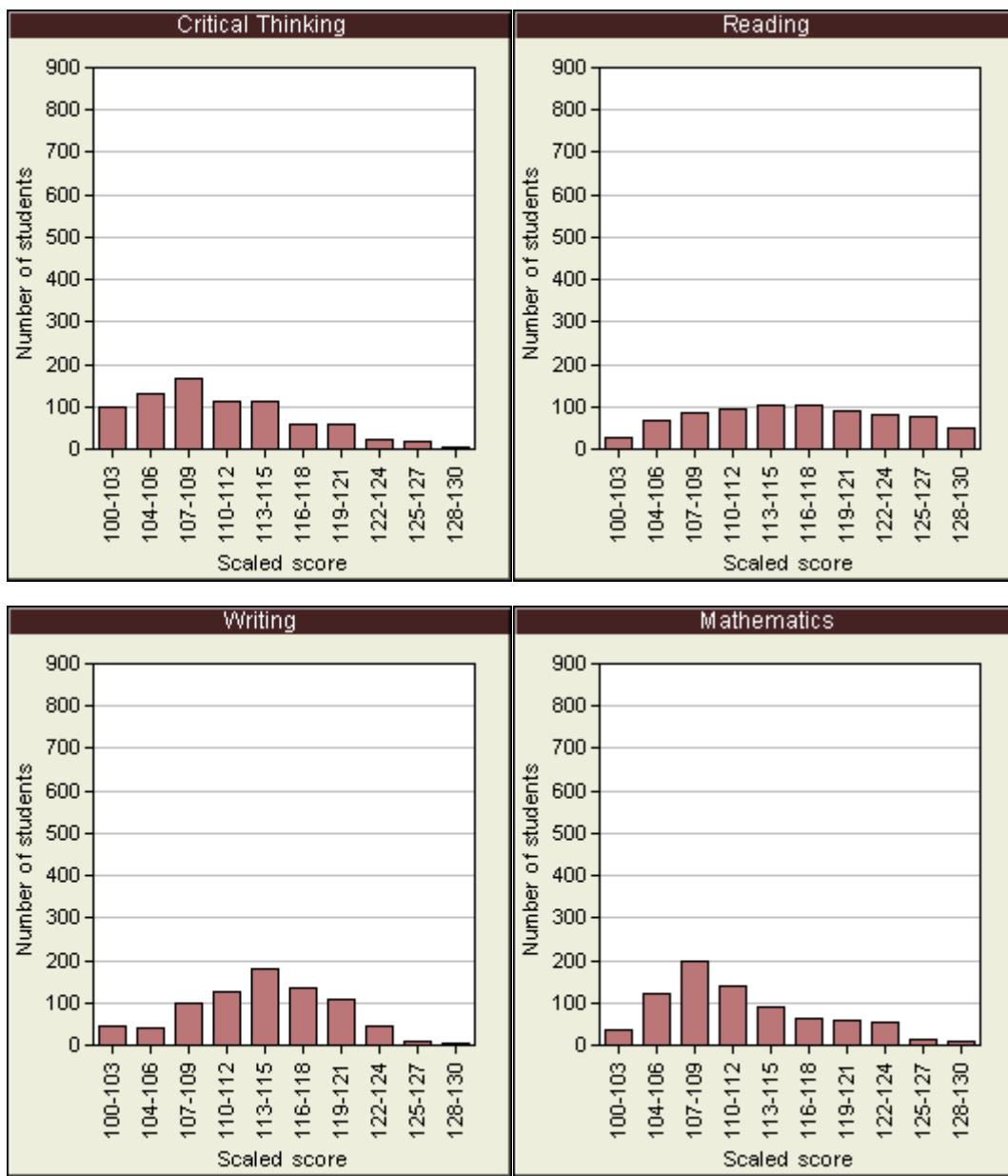
Curriculum Completed

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|--------------------|--------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 782 | 439.01 (19.48) | 110.45 (6.18) | 115.92 (7.45) | 113.55 (5.60) | 111.64 (6.26) | 114.11 (6.50) | 112.00 (6.28) | 114.24 (6.44) |
| None | 15 | 428.40 (11.90) | 106.60 (2.89) | 111.67 (6.13) | 109.73 (5.67) | 111.13 (5.56) | 111.33 (4.67) | 108.13 (3.70) | 110.00 (4.32) |
| About 25% | 18 | 433.00 (23.57) | 109.83 (6.87) | 112.89 (8.08) | 110.39 (8.51) | 111.56 (6.18) | 112.00 (6.70) | 111.17 (6.41) | 113.06 (7.19) |
| About 50% | 75 | 434.15 (18.41) | 109.11 (5.30) | 113.73 (7.29) | 111.99 (5.73) | 111.07 (6.34) | 112.25 (6.24) | 110.47 (5.92) | 113.01 (5.87) |
| About 75% | 387 | 438.67 (19.69) | 110.41 (6.18) | 115.69 (7.56) | 113.67 (5.62) | 111.42 (6.19) | 114.04 (6.55) | 111.96 (6.21) | 114.00 (6.61) |
| 100% | 287 | 441.66 (18.95) | 111.09 (6.34) | 117.21 (7.05) | 114.19 (5.06) | 112.13 (6.34) | 114.97 (6.39) | 112.72 (6.39) | 115.17 (6.21) |

Age

| | Number | Total Score | Critical Thinking | Reading | Writing | Mathematics | Humanities | Social Sciences | Natural Sciences |
|--------------------|--------|----------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|------------------|
| Total Group | 744 | 439.29 (19.53) | 110.52 (6.22) | 115.96 (7.52) | 113.58 (5.64) | 111.79 (6.26) | 114.18 (6.54) | 112.06 (6.31) | 114.28 (6.50) |
| <20 | 25 | 456.64 (22.76) | 114.52 (7.92) | 120.60 (8.19) | 117.84 (4.59) | 116.64 (6.51) | 117.44 (8.29) | 116.12 (7.50) | 118.88 (7.32) |
| 20 - 29 | 587 | 439.68 (19.51) | 110.52 (6.25) | 115.75 (7.70) | 113.65 (5.72) | 112.28 (6.26) | 114.07 (6.68) | 111.99 (6.32) | 114.22 (6.59) |
| 30 - 39 | 73 | 435.29 (14.66) | 110.11 (5.12) | 116.19 (5.93) | 113.04 (4.50) | 108.82 (4.67) | 114.14 (4.84) | 111.63 (5.48) | 114.14 (5.44) |
| 40 - 49 | 41 | 434.54 (18.61) | 109.85 (5.64) | 116.56 (6.34) | 111.73 (5.67) | 109.05 (5.08) | 114.44 (5.92) | 112.20 (6.03) | 113.76 (5.35) |
| 50 - 59 | 16 | 429.06 (19.11) | 108.19 (5.57) | 113.88 (6.21) | 111.81 (5.35) | 107.19 (5.06) | 112.88 (5.45) | 110.38 (6.09) | 111.38 (5.41) |
| 60 - 69 | 2 | 431.50 (8.50) | 106.50 (0.50) | 115.00 (7.00) | 113.50 (0.50) | 109.50 (1.50) | 111.00 (3.00) | 110.00 (0.00) | 112.50 (5.50) |
| >=70 | 0 | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) | 0 (0) |

Scaled Score Distributions Skills Subscores



Summary of Proficiency Classifications

| Skill Dimension | Proficiency Classification | | |
|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------|----------------|
| | Proficient | Marginal | Not Proficient |
| Reading, Level 1 | 52% | 22% | 26% |
| Reading, Level 2 | 26% | 16% | 58% |
| Critical Thinking | 5% | 11% | 84% |
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| Writing, Level 1 | 58% | 26% | 16% |
| Writing, Level 2 | 18% | 31% | 51% |
| Writing, Level 3 | 5% | 23% | 72% |
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| Mathematics, Level 1 | 39% | 26% | 35% |
| Mathematics, Level 2 | 23% | 19% | 59% |
| Mathematics, Level 3 | 5% | 14% | 81% |

Comparative Data Analysis

The following considerations should be kept in mind when interpreting comparative data:

- This data should be considered comparative rather than normative because the institutions included in the data do not represent proportionally the various types of higher education institutions. The data are drawn entirely from institutions that choose to use ETS Proficiency Profile. Such a self-selected sample may not be representative of all institutions.
- The number of students tested and sampling procedures vary from one institution to another. Therefore, it is impossible to verify that the students tested at each institution are representative of all that institution's students.
- The tables report data for institutions that have tested 30 or more students at the selected class level or number of credit hours attained. Institutions with fewer than 30 test takers at that class level are excluded from these calculations.

*The score distribution used to compute these statistics has been modified, to prevent the statistics from being dominated by a few very large institutions. If an institution contributed more than 4700 students to this data set, the score of each of its students has been weighted by the fraction 4700/n, where n is the number of students from that institution. For example, if an institution tested 9400 students, the score of each of its students would receive a weight of $4700/9400 = 1/2$. In computing the statistics, each of its students would count only half as much as a student from an institution that tested 4700 or fewer students. Therefore, an institution testing 9400 students would influence the statistics just as much as if it had tested only 4700 students.

Institution List

| School Name | Number of Students |
|---|--------------------|
| Alabama A&M University, AL | 2,253 |
| Alabama State University, AL | 5,123 |
| Armstrong Atlantic State University, GA | 4,866 |
| Athens State University, AL | 2,889 |
| Clayton State University, GA | 3,133 |
| College of Coastal Georgia, GA | 623 |
| Darton College, GA | 842 |
| Mississippi Valley State University, MS | 457 |
| University of Central Arkansas, AR | 312 |
| University of North Florida, FL | 2,821 |
| University of South Alabama, AL | 701 |
| Total | 24,020 |

Comparative Subscores

*Please note that all calculations refer to the eleven university's being compared unless labeled differently.

| Critical Thinking | Troy University | Reading | Troy University | Writing | Troy University | Math | Troy University | Total Scores | Troy University |
|-------------------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|---------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|--------------|-----------------|
| 110.60 | 110.45 | 116.60 | 115.92 | 113.20 | 113.55 | 111.90 | 111.64 | 439.10 | 439.01 |

| Humanities | Troy University | Social Sciences | Troy University | Natural Sciences | Troy University |
|------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 113.90 | 114.11 | 112.40 | 112.00 | 114.20 | 114.24 |

Troy Global (Onsite), and eCampus (Online) Distance Learning

Troy Global (Onsite), and eCampus (Online) Distance Learning Descriptive Statistics

| | N | Minimum | Maximum | Std. Deviation | Troy Mean | National Mean |
|-------------------|-----|---------|---------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Total Score | 113 | 400.0 | 488.0 | 21.7982 | 439.496 | 442.51 |
| Critical Thinking | 113 | 100 | 126 | 6.366 | 111.75 | 111.35 |
| Reading | 113 | 102 | 130 | 7.390 | 118.04 | 117.37 |
| Writing | 113 | 100 | 125 | 5.703 | 113.09 | 113.92 |
| Mathematics | 113 | 100 | 127 | 6.704 | 110.42 | 112.97 |
| Humanities | 113 | 101 | 130 | 7.197 | 114.76 | 114.40 |
| Social Sciences | 113 | 100 | 130 | 6.285 | 113.53 | 113.08 |
| Natural Sciences | 113 | 100 | 130 | 6.299 | 115.19 | 114.75 |

Definitions

- Mean, Arithmetic mean.
- The sum of a list of numbers, divided by the number of numbers.
- Median.
- "Middle value" of a list. The smallest number such that at least half the numbers in the list are no greater than it. If the list has an odd number of entries, the median is the middle entry in the list after sorting the list into increasing order. If the list has an even number of entries, the median is the smaller of the two

middle numbers after sorting. The median can be estimated from a histogram by finding the smallest number such that the area under the histogram to the left of that number is 50%.

- Standard Deviation (SD).
- The standard deviation of a set of numbers is the rms of the set of deviations between each element of the set and the mean of the set. See also sample standard deviation.
- Sample Sum.
- The sum of a random sample from a population. The expected value of the sample sum is the sample size times the population mean. For sampling with replacement, the SE of the sample sum is the population standard deviation, times the square-root of the sample size. For sampling without replacement, the SE of the sample sum is the finite-population correction $((N-n)/(N-1))^{1/2}$ times the SE of the sample sum for sampling with replacement, with N the size of the population and n the size of the sample.
- **Kurtosis tells you how tall and sharp the central peak is**, relative to a standard bell curve.
- Variance, population variance
- The variance of a list is the square of the standard deviation of the list, that is, the average of the squares of the deviations of the numbers in the list from their mean. The variance of a random variable X , $\text{Var}(X)$, is the expected value of the squared difference between the variable and its expected value: $\text{Var}(X) = E((X - E(X))^2)$. The variance of a random variable is the square of the standard error (SE) of the variable.
- **Harmonic mean** (sometimes called the **subcontrary mean**) is one of several kinds of average. Typically, it is appropriate for situations when the average of rates is desired.
- The harmonic mean H of the positive real numbers $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n > 0$ is defined to be
- $$H = \frac{n}{\frac{1}{x_1} + \frac{1}{x_2} + \dots + \frac{1}{x_n}} = \frac{n}{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{x_i}} = \frac{n \prod_{j=1}^n x_j}{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\prod_{j=1}^n x_j}{x_i}}$$
- Geometric Distribution.
- The geometric distribution describes the number of trials up to and including the first success, in independent trials with the same probability of success. The geometric distribution depends only on the single parameter p , the probability of success in each trial. For example, the number of times one must toss a fair coin until the first time the coin lands heads has a geometric distribution with parameter $p = 50\%$. The geometric distribution assigns probability $p \times (1-p)^{k-1}$ to the event that it takes k trials to the first success. The expected value of the geometric distribution is $1/p$, and its SE is $(1-p)^{1/2}/p$.
- Geometric Mean.
- The geometric mean of n numbers $\{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots, x_n\}$ is the n th root of their product:
- $$(x_1 \times x_2 \times x_3 \times \dots \times x_n)^{1/n}$$
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Appendix I

MAPP Levels

Reading and Critical Thinking

Level 1

To be considered proficient at Level 1, students should be able to:

- recognize factual material explicitly presented in a reading passage
- understand the meaning of particular words or phrases in the context of a reading passage

Level 2

To be considered proficient at Level 2, students should be able to:

- synthesize material from different sections of a passage
- recognize valid inferences derived from material in the passage
- identify accurate summaries of a passage or of significant sections of the passage
- understand and interpret figurative language
- discern the main idea, purpose or focus of a passage or a significant portion of the passage

Level 3

To be considered proficient at Level 3, students should be able to:

- evaluate competing causal explanations
- evaluate hypotheses for consistency with known facts
- determine the relevance of information for evaluating an argument or conclusion
- determine whether an artistic interpretation is supported by evidence contained in a work
- evaluate the appropriateness of procedures for investigating a question of causation
- evaluate data for consistency with known facts, hypotheses or methods
- recognize flaws and inconsistencies in an argument

Writing

Level 1

To be considered proficient at Level 1, students should be able to:

- recognize agreement among basic grammatical elements (e.g., nouns, verbs, pronouns and conjunctions)
- recognize appropriate transition words
- recognize incorrect word choice
- order sentences in a paragraph
- order elements in an outline

Level 2

To be considered proficient at Level 2, students should be able to:

- incorporate new material into a passage
- recognize agreement among basic grammatical elements (e.g., nouns, verbs, pronouns and conjunctions) when these elements are complicated by intervening words or phrases
- combine simple clauses into single, more complex combinations
- recast existing sentences into new syntactic combinations

Level 3

To be considered proficient at Level 3, students should be able to:

- discriminate between appropriate and inappropriate use of parallelism
- discriminate between appropriate and inappropriate use of idiomatic language
- recognize redundancy
- discriminate between correct and incorrect constructions
- recognize the most effective revision of a sentence

Mathematics

Level 1

To be considered proficient at Level 1, students should be able to:

- Solve word problems that would most likely be solved by arithmetic and do not involve conversion of units or proportionality. These problems can be multistep if the steps are repeated rather than embedded.
- Solve problems involving the informal properties of numbers and operations, often involving the Number Line, including positive and negative numbers, whole numbers and fractions (including conversions of common fractions to percent, such as converting "1/4" to 25 percent).
- Solve problems requiring a general understanding of square roots and the squares of numbers.
- Solve a simple equation or substitute numbers into an algebraic expression.
- Find information from a graph. This task may involve finding a specified piece of information in a graph that also contains other information.

Level 2

To be considered proficient at Level 2, students should be able to:

- Solve arithmetic problems with some complications, such as complex wording, maximizing or minimizing and embedded ratios. These problems include algebra problems that can be solved by arithmetic (the answer choices are numeric).
- Simplify algebraic expressions, perform basic translations, and draw conclusions from algebraic equations and inequalities. These tasks are more complicated than solving a simple equation, though they may be approached arithmetically by substituting numbers.
- Interpret a trend represented in a graph, or choose a graph that reflects a trend.
- Solve problems involving sets; problems have numeric answer choices.

Level 3

To be considered proficient at Level 3, students should be able to:

- solve word problems that would be unlikely to be solved by arithmetic; the answer choices are either algebraic expressions or numbers that do not lend themselves to back-solving
- solve problems involving difficult arithmetic concepts, such as exponents and roots other than squares and square roots, and percent of increase or decrease
- generalize about numbers (e.g., identify the values of (x) for which an expression increases as (x) increases)
- Solve problems requiring an understanding of the properties of integers, rational numbers, etc.
- interpret a graph in which the trends are to be expressed algebraically or one of the following is involved: exponents and roots other than squares and square roots, percent of increase or decrease
- solve problems requiring insight or logical reasoning

Appendix II (Technical Information)

| | Total_scaled_score | Critical_Thinking_scaled_score | Reading_scaled_score | Writing_scaled_score | Math_scaled_score |
|--|--------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| N of Cases | 812 | 812 | 812 | 812 | 812 |
| Minimum | 400.000 | 100.000 | 100.000 | 100.000 | 100.000 |
| Maximum | 500.000 | 128.000 | 130.000 | 130.000 | 130.000 |
| Range | 100.000 | 28.000 | 30.000 | 30.000 | 30.000 |
| Sum | 355,764.000 | 89,450.000 | 93,927.000 | 92,010.000 | 90,456.000 |
| Median | 435.000 | 109.000 | 116.000 | 114.000 | 110.000 |
| Arithmetic Mean | 438.133 | 110.160 | 115.674 | 113.313 | 111.399 |
| Standard Error of Arithmetic Mean | 0.693 | 0.219 | 0.264 | 0.200 | 0.222 |
| 95.0% Lower Confidence Limit | 436.773 | 109.731 | 115.156 | 112.920 | 110.963 |
| 95.0% Upper Confidence Limit | 439.493 | 110.589 | 116.191 | 113.706 | 111.835 |
| Trimmed Mean (10%, Two Sided) | 436.647 | 109.711 | 115.644 | 113.492 | 110.903 |
| No. of Observations Trimmed Out | 164 | 164 | 164 | 164 | 164 |
| Geometric Mean | 437.696 | 109.988 | 115.429 | 113.168 | 111.224 |
| Harmonic Mean | 437.267 | 109.819 | 115.185 | 113.022 | 111.052 |
| Standard Deviation | 19.746 | 6.226 | 7.517 | 5.701 | 6.328 |
| Variance | 389.886 | 38.768 | 56.509 | 32.506 | 40.043 |
| Coefficient of Variation | 0.045 | 0.057 | 0.065 | 0.050 | 0.057 |
| Skewness(G1) | 0.659 | 0.611 | 0.031 | -0.192 | 0.692 |
| Standard Error of Skewness | 0.086 | 0.086 | 0.086 | 0.086 | 0.086 |
| Kurtosis(G2) | 0.042 | -0.174 | -0.946 | -0.171 | -0.142 |
| Standard Error of Kurtosis | 0.171 | 0.171 | 0.171 | 0.171 | 0.171 |
| Shapiro-Wilk Statistic | 0.965 | 0.960 | 0.975 | 0.986 | 0.948 |
| Shapiro-Wilk p-value | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Anderson-Darling Statistic | 8.757 | 9.009 | 4.803 | 3.185 | 15.610 |
| Adjusted Anderson-Darling Statistic | 8.765 | 9.018 | 4.807 | 3.188 | 15.624 |
| p-value | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |

| | Humanities_scaled_score | Social_Sciences_scaled_score | Natural_Sciences_scaled_score |
|--|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| N of Cases | 812 | 812 | 812 |
| Minimum | 100.000 | 100.000 | 100.000 |
| Maximum | 130.000 | 128.000 | 130.000 |
| Range | 30.000 | 28.000 | 30.000 |
| Sum | 92,434.000 | 90,750.000 | 92,577.000 |
| Median | 113.000 | 110.000 | 114.000 |
| Arithmetic Mean | 113.835 | 111.761 | 114.011 |
| Standard Error of Arithmetic Mean | 0.231 | 0.221 | 0.228 |
| 95.0% Lower Confidence Limit | 113.381 | 111.328 | 113.564 |
| 95.0% Upper Confidence Limit | 114.289 | 112.194 | 114.459 |
| Trimmed Mean (10%, Two Sided) | 113.506 | 111.400 | 113.861 |
| No. of Observations Trimmed Out | 164 | 164 | 164 |
| Geometric Mean | 113.647 | 111.587 | 113.827 |
| Harmonic Mean | 113.460 | 111.415 | 113.644 |
| Standard Deviation | 6.591 | 6.287 | 6.496 |
| Variance | 43.445 | 39.529 | 42.201 |
| Coefficient of Variation | 0.058 | 0.056 | 0.057 |
| Skewness(G1) | 0.383 | 0.456 | 0.216 |
| Standard Error of Skewness | 0.086 | 0.086 | 0.086 |
| Kurtosis(G2) | -0.566 | -0.514 | -0.508 |
| Standard Error of Kurtosis | 0.171 | 0.171 | 0.171 |
| Shapiro-Wilk Statistic | 0.973 | 0.966 | 0.985 |
| Shapiro-Wilk p-value | 0.000 | 0.000 | 0.000 |
| Anderson-Darling Statistic | 7.093 | 8.493 | 3.361 |
| Adjusted Anderson-Darling Statistic | 7.099 | 8.501 | 3.364 |
| p-value | <0.01 | <0.01 | <0.01 |

Model of Dataset

Total scaled score = a

Critical Thinking scaled score = b

Reading scaled score = c

Writing scaled score = d

Math scaled score = e

Humanities scaled score = f

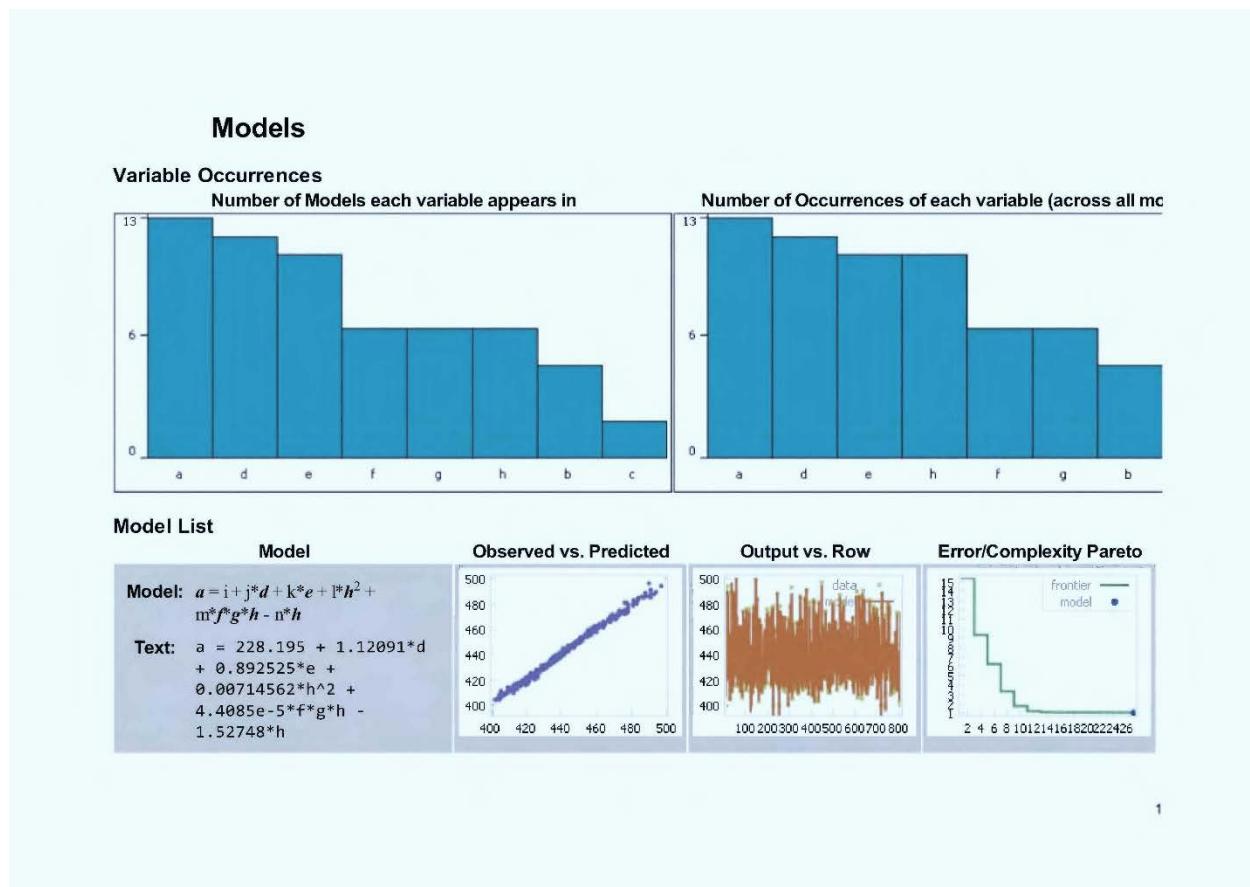
Social Sciences scaled score = g

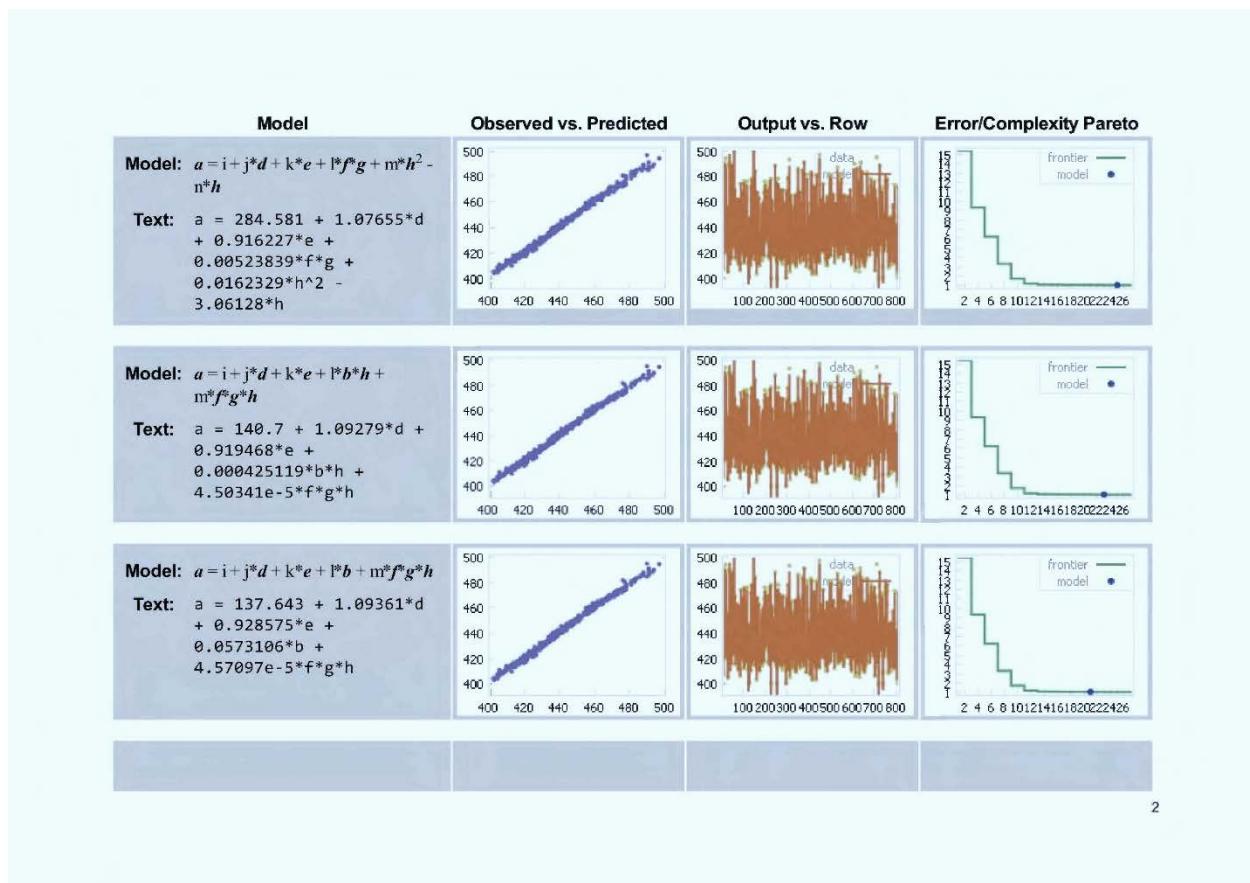
Natural Sciences scaled score = h

Model:

$$a = 228.195 + 1.12091 * d + 0.892525 * e + 0.00714562 * h^2 + 4.4085e - 5 * f * g * h - 1.52748 * h$$

(Total scaled score) = $228.195 + 1.12091(\text{Critical Thinking scaled score}) + 0.892525(\text{Math scaled score}) + 0.00714562(\text{Natural Sciences scaled score})^2 + 4.4085(\text{Math scaled score}) - 5(\text{Humanities scaled score})(\text{Social Sciences scaled score})(\text{Natural Sciences scaled score}) - 1.52748(\text{Natural Sciences scaled score})$





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|---|----------|------|----------|----|---|
| e | 0.29394 | 100% | 0.29394 | 0% | 0 |
| h | 0.20381 | 100% | 0.20381 | 0% | 0 |
| f | 0.19149 | 100% | 0.19149 | 0% | 0 |
| g | 0.18607 | 100% | 0.18607 | 0% | 0 |
| b | 0.015245 | 100% | 0.015245 | 0% | 0 |

$$a = 137.6 + 1.094*d + 0.9286*e + 0.05731*b + 4.571e-5*f*g*h$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| d | 0.31554 | 100% | 0.31554 | 0% | 0 |
| e | 0.29727 | 100% | 0.29727 | 0% | 0 |
| f | 0.19466 | 100% | 0.19466 | 0% | 0 |
| h | 0.19156 | 100% | 0.19156 | 0% | 0 |
| g | 0.18914 | 100% | 0.18914 | 0% | 0 |
| b | 0.018052 | 100% | 0.018052 | 0% | 0 |

$$a = 142.2 + 1.091*d + 0.9258*e + 4.732e-5*f*g*h$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| d | 0.31457 | 100% | 0.31457 | 0% | 0 |
| e | 0.29627 | 100% | 0.29627 | 0% | 0 |
| f | 0.20144 | 100% | 0.20144 | 0% | 0 |
| h | 0.19823 | 100% | 0.19823 | 0% | 0 |

impact is.

Details: Given a model equation of the form $z = f(x, y, \dots)$, the influence metrics of x on z are defined as follows:

$$\left| \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right| \cdot \sigma(x)$$

Sensitivity: $\left| \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right| \cdot \sigma(z)$, evaluated at all input data points.

% Positive: The percent of data points where $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} > 0$

% Negative: The number of data points where $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} < 0$

$$\left| \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right| \cdot \sigma(x)$$

Positive magnitude: $\left| \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right| \cdot \sigma(z)$, at all points where $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} > 0$

$$\left| \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right| \cdot \sigma(x)$$

Negative magnitude: $\left| \frac{\partial z}{\partial x} \right| \cdot \sigma(z)$, at all points where $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x} < 0$

where: $\frac{\partial z}{\partial x}$ is the partial derivative of z with respect to x , $\sigma(x)$ is the standard deviation of x in the input

Variable Sensitivity

$$a = 228.2 + 1.121*d + 0.8925*e + 0.007146*h^2 + 4.408e-5*f*g*h - 1.527*h$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| d | 0.32358 | 100% | 0.32358 | 0% | 0 |
| e | 0.28593 | 100% | 0.28593 | 0% | 0 |
| h | 0.21856 | 100% | 0.21856 | 0% | 0 |
| f | 0.18786 | 100% | 0.18786 | 0% | 0 |
| g | 0.18254 | 100% | 0.18254 | 0% | 0 |

$$a = 284.6 + 1.077*d + 0.9162*e + 0.005238*f*g + 0.01623*h^2 - 3.061*h$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| d | 0.31138 | 100% | 0.31138 | 0% | 0 |
| e | 0.294 | 100% | 0.294 | 0% | 0 |
| h | 0.21076 | 100% | 0.21076 | 0% | 0 |
| f | 0.19567 | 100% | 0.19567 | 0% | 0 |
| g | 0.1901 | 100% | 0.1901 | 0% | 0 |

$$a = 140.7 + 1.093*d + 0.9195*e + 0.0004251*b*h + 4.503e-5*f*g*h$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| d | 0.31481 | 100% | 0.31481 | 0% | 0 |

Explanation of terms

Sensitivity: The relative impact within this model that a variable has on the target variable.

% Positive: The likelihood that increasing this variable will increase the target variable. If % positive = 70%, then 70% of the time increases in this variable lead to increases in the target variable (but the remaining 30% of the time it either decreases it or has no impact). If % positive = 0%, increases in this variable will not increase the target variable.

Positive Magnitude: When increases in this variable lead to increases in the target variable, this is generally how big the positive impact is.

% Negative: The likelihood that increasing this variable will decrease the target variable. If % negative = 60%, then 60% of the time increases in this variable lead to decreases in the target variable (but the remaining 40% of the time it either increases it or has no impact). If % negative = 0%, increases in this variable will not decrease the target variable.

Negative Magnitude: When increases in this variable lead to decreases in the target variable, this is generally how big the negative

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|---|---------|------|---------|----|---|
| g | 0.19574 | 100% | 0.19574 | 0% | 0 |
|---|---------|------|---------|----|---|

$$a = 138.2 + e + 1.061^*d + 4.684e^{-5}^*f^*g^*h$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| e | 0.31859 | 100% | 0.31859 | 0% | 0 |
| d | 0.30455 | 100% | 0.30455 | 0% | 0 |
| f | 0.19851 | 100% | 0.19851 | 0% | 0 |
| h | 0.19535 | 100% | 0.19535 | 0% | 0 |
| g | 0.19288 | 100% | 0.19288 | 0% | 0 |

$$a = 143.5 + d + e + 4.789e^{-5}^*f^*g^*h$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
| e | 0.31964 | 100% | 0.31964 | 0% | 0 |
| d | 0.28799 | 100% | 0.28799 | 0% | 0 |
| f | 0.20363 | 100% | 0.20363 | 0% | 0 |
| h | 0.20038 | 100% | 0.20038 | 0% | 0 |
| g | 0.19786 | 100% | 0.19786 | 0% | 0 |

$$a = 226.7 + d + 6.853e^{-5}^*b^*c^*e$$

| Variable | Sensitivity | % Positive | Positive Magnitude | % Negative | Negative Magnitude |
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|
|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|------------|--------------------|

data,
 $\sigma(z)$ is the standard deviation of z,
 $|x|$ denotes the absolute value of x and
 \bar{x} denotes the mean of x.

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|------------------|--|
| Size: | 27 |
| Error: | 1.05994 |
| Rendered: | $a = 228 + 1.12d + 0.893e + 0.00715h^2 + 4.41e-5fgh - 1.53h$ |
| Text: | $a = 228.1949091 + 1.120908611*d + 0.8925251265*e + 0.007145619769*h^2 + 4.408498293e-5*f*g*h - 1.527478376*h$ |
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| Error: | 1.07729 |
| Rendered: | $a = 285 + 1.08d + 0.916e + 0.00524fgh + 0.0162h^2 - 3.06h$ |
| Text: | $a = 284.5807881 + 1.076546911*d + 0.9162272452*e + 0.005238392189*f*g + 0.01623289157*h^2 - 3.061278088*h$ |
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| Error: | 1.07766 |
| Rendered: | $a = 141 + 1.09d + 0.919e + 0.000425b*h + 4.5e-5fgh$ |
| Text: | $a = 140.7000996 + 1.092786561*d + 0.9194675686*e + 0.000425118874*b*h + 4.503414814e-5*f*g*h$ |
| Size: | 21 |
| Error: | 1.08776 |
| Rendered: | $a = 138 + 1.09d + 0.929e + 0.0573b + 4.57e-5fgh$ |
| Text: | $a = 137.643112 + 1.09360959*d + 0.928575118*e + 0.05731055963*b + 4.570970388e-5*f*g*h$ |
| Size: | 17 |
| Error: | 1.09467 |
| Rendered: | $a = 142 + 1.09d + 0.926e + 4.73e-5fgh$ |

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