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SOUTHWESTERN OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

ETS Proficiency Profile

2022 - 2023

Southwestern Oklahoma State University has administered the ETS Proficiency Profile since Fall 2016 as a component of institutional assessment. This standardized assessment includes content areas of Reading, Writing, Critical Thinking, and Mathematics. Testing is administered by Southwestern's Assessment & Testing Center staff. Subsequently, scoring and reporting is completed by ETS.

FRESHMEN

Freshmen were asked to complete the ETS Proficiency Profile test during a Fall 2022 SWOSUConnect class period. Five hundred and forty-seven freshmen participated. The average score of our freshmen examinees was slightly above the national average of freshmen examinees from 49 other baccalaureate colleges. On a scale of 400-500, Southwestern freshmen received an average score of 438.37 compared to the national average of 433.1.

SENIORS

During the Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 semesters, Department Chairs and faculty were invited to select one or more senior courses, such as a capstone course, as well as a preferred date and time (anytime during the semester) for the test to be administered to seniors. One hundred and ninety-five seniors participated during class time. The average score of our examinees was above the national average of seniors. Southwestern seniors received an average score of 457.34 compared to the national average of 444.9.

Seniors competed for cash prizes awarded for highest scores in order to gain increased effort on performance. These achievement prizes were awarded in four different categories based on the ACT scores of Freshmen, and based on the current GPA of Seniors. In this way, students were encouraged to make their best effort.

In general, the scores of both our freshmen and seniors are slightly above the national average. In addition, Southwestern takes pride in the fact that the average scores of our seniors exceed the average scores of our freshmen by about 19 points. This is an indication of the value-added performance gain that our students achieve while enrolled in our general education program. (The average scores of seniors nationally exceed the average scores of freshmen nationally by closer to 12 points.)

Following is a table of supporting data.

Southwestern Oklahoma State University Proficiency Profile Summary of Scaled Scores 2022-2023

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Number of freshmen tested: 547

Abbreviated

Number of seniors tested: 173

		Mean Score					
	Possible Range	SWOSU Fr, F22	Nat. Comp., All Inst. Types, Fr	Nat. Comp., Bac. Inst. Types, Fr	SWOSU Sr, 22-23	Nat. Comp., All Inst. Types, Sr	Nat. Comp., Bac. Inst. Types, Sr
Total Score	400 to 500	438.4	435.2	433.1	457.5	445.6	444.9
Skills Subscores:							
Critical							
Thinking	100 to 130	110.0	109.1	108.6	114.2	111.8	111.7
Reading	100 to 130	116.3	115.1	114.3	120.6	118.3	118.1
Writing	100 to 130	112.8	112.2	111.7	116.7	114.6	114.5
Mathematics	100 to 130	112.3	111.7	111.1	117.1	113.8	113.7
Humanities	100 to 130	113.5	112.3	112.0	116.5	114.8	114.8
Social Sciences	100 to 130	111.6	110.9	110.3	115.8	113.5	113.3
Natural							
Sciences	100 to 130	114.1	113.0	112.4	117.4	115.6	115.4