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**SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE**  
 College Student Survey Summary

**Students Reporting Much Stronger Abilities and Skills Compared to When They First Started College in:**  
*(Numbers in Percents)*

	2010	2008	2005	2003
	Seniors	Seniors	Seniors	Seniors
General knowledge	61.4	64.5	69.1	65.9
Analytical and problem-solving skills	65.4	56.5	53.7	51.6
Knowledge of a particular field or discipline	88.2	79.0	75.6	81.3
Ability to think critically	66.1	66.9	56.9	53.8
Foreign language ability	24.4	21.0	17.1	17.6
Knowledge of people from different races/cultures	29.9	29.8	28.5	28.6
Leadership abilities	57.5	51.6	46.7	34.1
Interpersonal skills	44.9	52.4	47.2	36.3
Ability to get along with people of different races/cultures	29.1	37.1	30.9	22.0
Understanding the problems facing your community	26.8	42.7	27.6	27.5
Understanding of problems facing our nation	26.0	40.3	35.8	39.6
Understanding of global issues	36.2	33.1	32.5	36.3

**Student rated self "above average" or "highest 10%" in:**

Writing skills	65.4	77.4	44.7	54.9
Public speaking ability	55.1	54.8	45.5	41.8
Ability to work cooperatively	81.9	78.2	--	--
Mathematical skills	37.8	35.5	15.4	15.4
Creativity	63.0	58.9	--	--
Computer skills	44.1	43.5	31.7	30.8