

Experiences with Writing

Question NSSE 2013 Survey	First Year		Seniors	
	OU Mean	National Mean	OU Mean	National Mean
During the current school year, for how many writing assignments have you done the following? (1=no writing assignments – 5=all writing assignments)				
Talked with a classmate, friend, or family member to develop your ideas before starting your assignment	3.2	3.0	3.0	2.8
Received feedback from a classmate, friend, or family member about a draft before turning in your final assignment	3.7	3.2	3.0	2.8
Gave feedback to a classmate about a draft or outline he or she had written	3.5	3.0	2.6	2.6
Summarized material you read, such as articles, books, or online publications	3.6	3.3	3.3	3.3
Analyzed or evaluated something you read, researched, or observed	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.7
Described your methods or findings related to data you collected in lab or field work, a survey project, etc.	3.1	2.8	2.9	2.9
Argued a position using evidence and reasoning	3.5	3.4	3.1	3.3
Explained in writing the meaning of numerical or statistical data	2.4	2.5	2.5	2.7
Wrote in the style and format of a specific field (engineering, history, psychology, etc.)	2.8	3.0	3.4	3.4
Addressed a real or imagined audience such as your classmates, a politician, non-experts, etc.	3.3	2.9	2.8	2.9
During the current school year, for how many of your writing assignments has your instructor done the following? (1=no writing assignments – 5=all writing assignments)				
Provided clear instructions describing what he or she wanted you to do	4.1	4.1	4.0	4.0
Explained in advance what he or she wanted you to learn	3.7	3.8	3.7	3.7
Explained in advance the criteria he or she would use to grade your assignment	4.0	4.0	3.9	4.0