

University Exit Exam Report
Honors College Graduates, Spring 2005-2011

At Missouri State University (MSU), all students graduating from a baccalaureate program are required to take a University Exit Exam. The assessment tool used for this exam, the ETS® Proficiency Profile, is a standardized and nationally normed measure created by the Educational Testing Service (ETS) and approved by the Voluntary System of Accountability as an acceptable gauge of general education outcomes. The ETS® Proficiency Profile assesses four core skill areas including critical thinking, reading, writing and mathematics. Scores on this test range from 400-500 points, and national comparative data can be found at http://www.ets.org/proficiencyprofile/scores/compare_data/. MSU's Carnegie classification data is reported at http://www.ets.org/s/proficiencyprofile/pdf/CredS_Carn2_AllTabs.pdf.

According to the University's records, 1,187 Honors College (HC) students graduated with a baccalaureate degree from the spring 2005 to spring 2011 semesters. Exam scores were not available for 16 of these students, so the data below represent the results of the 1,171 scores on record. As a group, these 1,171 students averaged a score of 474.24 on the exam with a standard deviation of 13.01. In the given timeframe, the lowest score obtained by an HC student was 415, and only 8 students scored below 440. Twenty HC students obtained the highest possible score of 500 on the exam, and 118 students (roughly 10%) achieved a score of 490 or above. The table below displays the number of HC students who graduated each semester, the average HC exit exam score and standard deviations each semester, and the fiscal year averages for HC, MSU, and the nation.

Fiscal Year	Semester	# of HC Grads	HC Avg. Score	HC Std. Dev.	HC Avg. Score	MSU Avg. Score	National Avg. Score
-----	Spring 2005	103	475.70	10.779	-----	451	448
FY 2006	Summer 2005	7	475.29	4.112	474.86	451	448
	Fall 2005	24	472.50	11.568			
	Spring 2006	114	475.33	10.866			
FY 2007	Summer 2006	9	479.44	8.472	473.6	450	448
	Fall 2006	29	472.76	15.153			
	Spring 2007	140	473.40	12.772			
FY 2008	Summer 2007	9	473.78	4.994	474.54	450	447
	Fall 2007	31	477.00	10.804			
	Spring 2008	133	474.02	13.812			
FY 2009	Summer 2008	14	471.57	13.072	473.41	450	448
	Fall 2008	40	477.60	13.210			
	Spring 2009	134	472.36	14.545			
FY 2010	Summer 2009	3	480.67	15.822	474.47	450	446
	Fall 2009	32	471.81	14.724			
	Spring 2010	145	474.92	12.035			
FY 2011	Summer 2010	5	476.40	24.234	473.90	450	-----
	Fall 2010	40	477.40	13.564			
	Spring 2011	159	472.94	14.469			
	Total	1171	474.24	13.008			

Note: Dashes indicate that complete data are not available for the specified time period.