

**ETS® Proficiency Profile Exam Comparison
College of Charleston Results -- Spring 2015 and 2012**

The ETS Proficiency Profile (abbreviated version) is a standardized test composed of 36 multiple choice questions designed to assess students' competencies in critical thinking, reading, writing, and mathematics. The test is administered every three years, usually in the spring semester of the academic year.

I. Summary of Scaled Scores

Tables 1 and 2 provide mean scores for the total scaled score as well as for both skills and context area scaled scores. These results are intended to provide comparisons between groups of students and to demonstrate ability in each skill dimension. These results are not intended to make comparisons between skills subscores.

Table 1. Comparison of Mean Scores for Freshmen

FRESHMEN MEAN SCORES					
		2015		2012	
	Possible Range	National Mean Score* (N=21,586)	C of C Mean Score (N=162)	National Mean Score (N=12,153)	C of C Mean Score (N=193)
Total Score	400 to 500	439.11	449.29	436.87	448.25
Skills Subscores					
Critical Thinking	100 to 130	110.35	112.43	109.90	112.69
Reading	100 to 130	116.20	118.99	115.60	119.55
Writing	100 to 130	113.26	116.20	112.71	115.26
Mathematics	100 to 130	112.35	114.35	111.63	114.40
Context-Based Subscores					
Humanities	100 to 130	113.41	115.59	112.89	115.61
Social Sciences	100 to 130	112.15	113.68	111.73	114.87
Natural Sciences	100 to 130	113.93	116.49	113.52	116.06

Table 2. Comparison of Mean Scores for Seniors

SENIOR MEAN SCORES					
		2015		2012	
	Possible Range	National Mean Score* (N=93,135)	C of C Mean Score (N=608)	National Mean Score (N=64,441)	C of C Mean Score (N=209)
Total Score	400 to 500	447.89	457.39	446.32	461.23
Skills Subscores					
Critical Thinking	100 to 130	112.75	114.42	112.51	116.72
Reading	100 to 130	118.98	121.35	118.67	122.45
Writing	100 to 130	114.86	117.10	114.55	116.68
Mathematics	100 to 130	114.31	117.13	113.72	117.24
Context-Based Subscores					
Humanities	100 to 130	115.68	116.66	115.41	118.64
Social Sciences	100 to 130	114.37	115.95	114.19	118.36
Natural Sciences	100 to 130	116.00	118.28	115.81	118.49

*The score distribution used to compute the national mean statistics have been modified, to prevent the statistics from being dominated by a few very large institutions. For freshmen, if an institution contributed more than 500 students to this data set, the score of each of its students has been weighted by the fraction 500/n, where n is the number of students from that institution. For seniors, if an institution contributed more than 1500 students to this data set, the score of each of its students has been weighted by the fraction 1500/n, where n is the number of students from that institution.

II. Comparative Data

Table 2 provides the mean scores for freshmen and seniors at the College of Charleston and provides comparative information displaying the percent of institutions in our comparable Carnegie Class that fall below our mean score. This information is provided for the overall score, the skills subscores and the context-based subscores.

Table 3. Freshmen and Seniors Mean Scores Compared to Carnegie Class*

	Possible Range	2015 Freshmen (N=162)		2012 Freshmen (N=193)		2015 Seniors (N=608)		2012 Seniors (N=209)	
		Mean Score	% below for Carnegie Class	Mean Score	% below for Carnegie Class	Mean Score	% below for Carnegie Class	Mean Score	% below for Carnegie Class
Total Score	400 to 500	449.29	72%	448.25	88%	457.39	68%	461.23	95%
Skills Subscores									
Critical Thinking	100 to 130	112.43	64%	112.69	83%	114.42	57%	116.72	95%
Reading	100 to 130	118.99	62%	119.55	94%	121.35	53%	122.45	96%
Writing	100 to 130	116.20	70%	115.26	94%	117.10	60%	116.68	88%
Mathematics	100 to 130	114.35	63%	114.40	83%	117.13	67%	117.24	93%
Context-Based Subscores									
Humanities	100 to 130	115.59	68%	115.61	85%	116.66	53%	118.64	95%
Social Sciences	100 to 130	113.68	62%	114.87	88%	115.95	58%	118.36	97%
Natural Sciences	100 to 130	116.49	62%	116.06	91%	118.28	57%	118.49	93%

* See Appendices A and B for a list of Carnegie Class Institutions included in this analysis.

III. Summary of Proficiency Classifications

The skills measured by the ETS Proficiency Profile test are grouped into proficiency levels - three proficiency levels for writing, three for mathematics, and three for the combined set of skills involved in reading and critical thinking. Tables 3 and 4 show the percentage of students who are proficient, marginal, and not proficient at each of the proficiency levels for freshmen and senior students.

Table 4. Freshmen Proficiency Classifications

Skill Dimension	Proficient				Marginal				Not Proficient			
	2015		2012		2015		2012		2015		2012	
	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class
Reading, Level 1	69%	53%	72%	47%	19%	23%	20%	24%	12%	25%	8%	28%
Reading, Level 2	43%	25%	45%	22%	17%	18%	18%	16%	40%	57%	37%	62%
Critical Thinking	10%	3%	4%	3%	21%	12%	22%	10%	69%	85%	75%	88%
Writing, Level 1	73%	52%	72%	48%	21%	32%	22%	32%	6%	17%	6%	20%
Writing, Level 2	33%	14%	26%	11%	38%	31%	35%	29%	29%	56%	38%	59%
Writing, Level 3	14%	6%	10%	4%	33%	19%	26%	17%	52%	75%	64%	78%
Mathematics, Level 1	63%	45%	59%	40%	25%	26%	31%	28%	12%	29%	11%	33%
Mathematics, Level 2	36%	22%	33%	18%	25%	23%	25%	21%	39%	55%	41%	61%
Mathematics, Level 3	9%	5%	9%	4%	20%	12%	18%	11%	70%	82%	73%	86%

*See Appendix C for more information about these classifications, including a list of the specific skills associated with each proficiency level in each skill area.

Table 5. Senior Proficiency Classifications

Skill Dimension	Proficient				Marginal				Not Proficient			
	2015		2012		2015		2012		2015		2012	
	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class	CofC	Carnegie Class
Reading, Level 1	84%	71%	85%	69%	9%	17%	13%	18%	6%	13%	2%	13%
Reading, Level 2	59%	42%	67%	40%	18%	20%	12%	19%	22%	38%	21%	41%
Critical Thinking	10%	8%	20%	8%	37%	21%	36%	19%	53%	71%	44%	73%
Writing, Level 1	82%	67%	79%	65%	13%	24%	18%	25%	5%	9%	3%	10%
Writing, Level 2	36%	23%	34%	22%	41%	37%	40%	37%	23%	40%	26%	42%
Writing, Level 3	17%	10%	16%	9%	40%	28%	32%	28%	43%	62%	52%	64%
Mathematics, Level 1	78%	60%	81%	56%	15%	23%	14%	23%	7%	17%	5%	20%
Mathematics, Level 2	53%	34%	51%	30%	26%	26%	29%	25%	22%	41%	19%	44%
Mathematics, Level 3	16%	10%	16%	8%	29%	19%	29%	17%	55%	72%	55%	74%

*See Appendix C for more information about these classifications, including a list of the specific skills associated with each proficiency level in each skill area.

Appendix A

Freshman (Fewer than 30 semester hours or fewer than 45 quarter hours) Participating Four-year Colleges and Universities January 2006 through June 2013

Year(s) in parentheses denotes the CofC report year the institution was included.

ALABAMA A&M UNIVERSITY, AL (2012 & 2015)	LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY - C.W. POST, NY (2015)
ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY, AL (2012 & 2015)	MAHARISHI UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT, IA (2012 & 2015)
ALBERTUS MAGNUS COLLEGE, CT (2015)	MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2015)
ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY, MS (2012 & 2015)	MARANATHA BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE, WI (2015)
ALICE LLOYD COLLEGE, KY (2015)	MARIETTA COLLEGE, OH (2015)
AMERICAN PUBLIC UNIVERSITY, WV (2012)	MARY BALDWIN COLLEGE, VA (2012)
ANDERSON UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)	MASSACHUSETTS MARITIME ACADEMY, MA (2015)
ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY, TX (2012)	MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY – MOORHEAD, MN (2012)
ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY MCGREGOR, OH (2015)	MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY, LA (2015)
ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY, AZ (2015)	MIDWAY COLLEGE, KY (2015)
ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY, AR (2015)	MILLIGAN COLLEGE, TN (2015)
ASBURY UNIVERSITY, KY (2015)	MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY - MOORHEAD, MN (2012 & 2015)
ASHFORD UNIVERSITY, IA (2015)	MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY, MS (2015)
AUBURN UNIVERSITY- MONTGOMERY, AL (2012)	MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY, MS (2012)
AVE MARIA UNIVERSITY - NAPLES, FL (2015)	MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2015)
BELHAVEN COLLEGE, MS (2015)	MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
BELLARMINE UNIVERSITY, KY (2012 & 2015)	MISSOURI UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, MO (2015)
BENEDICT COLLEGE, SC (2015)	MOREHOUSE COLLEGE, GA (2015)
BENNETT COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, NC (2015)	MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, MD (2015)
BETHEL UNIVERSITY, TN (2012 & 2015)	MOUNT VERNON NAZARENE UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2012 & 2015)	NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, CA (2012)
BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE, MS (2015)	NEUMANN UNIVERSITY, PA (2012 & 2015)
BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)	NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY, NJ (2012 & 2015)
BRESCIA UNIVERSITY, KY (2015)	NEWBERRY COLLEGE, SC (2015)
BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE, GA (2015)	NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY, LA (2012)
CAIRN UNIVERSITY, PA (2015)	NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY, VA (2012 & 2015)
CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2015)	NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, NC (2015)
CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY, NC (2012 & 2015)	NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY, AZ (2015)
CAPITAL UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)	NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
CLARION UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2015)	NORTHWESTERN COLLEGE, MN (2015)
CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY, GA (2015)	NORWICH UNIVERSITY, VT (2015)
CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY, GA (2015)	OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, OK (2015)
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)	PALM BEACH ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY, FL (2012 & 2015)
COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)	PATRICK HENRY COLLEGE, VA (2015)
COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON, SC (2015)	PFEIFFER UNIVERSITY, NC (2012 & 2015)
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY - PUEBLO, CO (2015)	PHILADELPHIA BIBLICAL UNIVERSITY, PA (2012)
COLUMBIA COLLEGE – MO, MO (2012)	PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
CONCORDIA COLLEGE, MN (2015)	PRESENTATION COLLEGE, SD (2015)
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO, IL (2012 & 2015)	QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, CT (2015)
DENISON UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)	REINHARDT COLLEGE, GA (2015)
DICKINSON STATE UNIVERSITY, ND (2015)	ROBERT B. MILLER COLLEGE, THE, MI (2015)
DORDT COLLEGE, IA (2015)	SAINT AUGUSTINES COLLEGE, NC (2015)
ECKERD COLLEGE, FL (2015)	SAINT LEO UNIVERSITY, FL (2012 & 2015)
ELIZABETH CITY STATE UNIVERSITY, NC (2015)	SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS COLLEGE, IN (2015)
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY, MI (2012 & 2015)	SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)
FERRUM COLLEGE, VA (2015)	SAINT PETER'S COLLEGE, NJ (2015)
FISK UNIVERSITY, TN (2015)	SOUTH ARKANSAS COMMUNITY COLLEGE, AR (2012 & 2015)
FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY, FL (2015)	SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY, FL (2012 & 2015)	SOUTH COLLEGE, TN (2015)
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, FL (2015)	SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
GARDNER-WEBB UNIVERSITY, NC (2012)	SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, FL (2015)
GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY, OR (2012)	SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY, UT (2012 & 2015)
GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY, IL (2012 & 2015)	SOUTHERN VERMONT COLLEGE, VT (2015)
GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY, LA (2012 & 2015)	SOUTHERN WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, SC (2012 & 2015)
HENDERSON STATE UNIVERSITY, AR (2015)	SOUTHWEST BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
HESSER COLLEGE, NH (2015)	SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE, KS (2012 & 2015)
HOUSTON BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)	SPALDING UNIVERSITY, KY (2015)
HOUSTON-TILLOTSON UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)	SPELMAN COLLEGE, GA (2015)
INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, IN (2015)	SPRING HILL COLLEGE, AL (2012)
JOHNSON C. SMITH UNIVERSITY, NC (2015)	ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY, IA (2012)
KEAN UNIVERSITY, NJ (2012)	ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY, TX (2012)
LAGRANGE COLLEGE, GA (2015)	STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY, MI (2015)	STEVENSON UNIVERSITY, MD (2015)
LAMAR UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)	TALLADEGA COLLEGE, AL (2015)
LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)	TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)
LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY, PA (2012 & 2015)	

TAYLOR UNIVERSITY, IN (2015)
 TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, PA (2015)
 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - COMMERCE, TX (2015)
 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE, TX (2015)
 THOMAS MORE COLLEGE, KY (2012 & 2015)
 TOURO COLLEGE - NY, NY (2012 & 2015)
 TROY UNIVERSITY, AL (2012 & 2015)
 TUSCULUM COLLEGE, TN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF AKRON, OH (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM, AL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS, AR (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI, MO (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA, OK (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, WV (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT DENVER, CO (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE, DE (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, GA (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON - VICTORIA, TX (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT PRESQUE ISLE, ME (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - EASTERN SHORE, MD (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI, MS (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - COLUMBIA, MO (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE, AL (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA AT GREENSBORO, NC (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS - DALLAS, TX (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA, IA (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA - COLUMBIA, SC (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA - ST. PETERSBURG, FL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA, IN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, MS (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE - CHATTANOOGA, TN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE - KNOXVILLE, TN (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE - MARTIN, TN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF THE CUMBERLANDS, KY (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF THE OZARKS, AR (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TULSA, OK (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF WEST ALABAMA, AL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF WEST GEORGIA, GA (2012)
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - PARKSIDE, WI (2015)
 VANGUARD UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, CA (2015)
 WARNER PACIFIC COLLEGE, OR (2015)
 WASHBURN UNIVERSITY, KS (2012 & 2015)
 WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY, WV (2015)
 WESTERN TEXAS COLLEGE, TX (2012 & 2015)
 WILKES UNIVERSITY, PA (2012 & 2015)
 WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY, MS (2015)
 WINTHROP UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)

Appendix B

Senior (More than 90 semester hours or more than 145 quarter hours) Participating Four-year Colleges and Universities

January 2006 through June 2013

Year(s) in parentheses denotes the CofC report year the institution was included.

ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
ADAMS STATE COLLEGE, CO (2012)
ALABAMA STATE UNIVERSITY, AL (2012 & 2015)
ALBANY STATE UNIVERSITY, GA (2012)
ALBERTUS MAGNUS COLLEGE, CT (2015)
AMERICAN INTERCONTINENTAL UNIVERSITY, GA (2012)
AMERICAN PUBLIC UNIVERSITY, WV (2012 & 2015)
ANDERSON UNIVERSITY – INDIANA, IN (2012)
ANDERSON UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
ANDREWS UNIVERSITY, MI (2015)
ANGELO STATE UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
ANTIOCH UNIVERSITY MCGREGOR, OH (2015)
AQUINAS COLLEGE - MI, MI (2012 & 2015)
ARKANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY, AR (2015)
ARMSTRONG ATLANTIC STATE UNIVERSITY, GA (2012 & 2015)
ASBURY UNIVERSITY, KY (2015)
AUBURN UNIVERSITY – MONTGOMERY, AL (2012)
AUSTIN PEAY STATE UNIVERSITY, TN (2012 & 2015)
AVE MARIA UNIVERSITY - NAPLES, FL (2015)
BALDWIN-WALLACE COLLEGE, OH (2012 & 2015)
BECKER COLLEGE, MA (2015)
BELHAVEN COLLEGE, MS (2015)
BELLARMINE UNIVERSITY, KY (2012 & 2015)
BEMIDJI STATE UNIVERSITY, MN (2012 & 2015)
BENNETT COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, NC (2015)
BETHEL COLLEGE, IN (2015)
BETHEL UNIVERSITY, TN (2012 & 2015)
BIOLA UNIVERSITY, CA (2015)
BLOOMSBURG UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2012 & 2015)
BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE, MS (2015)
BLUFFTON UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)
BOISE STATE UNIVERSITY, ID (2012)
BRENAU UNIVERSITY, GA (2012 & 2015)
BREWTON-PARKER COLLEGE, GA (2015)
BRIDGEWATER COLLEGE, VA (2015)
BRYAN COLLEGE, TN (2015)
CAIRN UNIVERSITY, PA (2015)
CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2015)
CAMPBELL UNIVERSITY, NC (2012 & 2015)
CARROLL UNIVERSITY, WI (2012)
CAZENOVIA COLLEGE, NY (2015)
CHARLESTON SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY, SC (2012 & 2015)
CHEYNEY UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2015)
CHRISTIAN BROTHERS UNIVERSITY, TN (2012 & 2015)
CLAFLIN UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
CLARK ATLANTA UNIVERSITY, GA (2015)
CLAYTON STATE UNIVERSITY, GA (2015)
CLEMSON UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
COASTAL CAROLINA UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
COLLEGE OF CHARLESTON, SC (2012 & 2015)
COLLEGE OF NEW JERSEY, THE, NJ (2012 & 2015)
COLLEGE OF NEW ROCHELLE, THE, NY (2012)
COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY - PUEBLO, CO (2015)
COLUMBIA COLLEGE – MO, MO (2012)
CONCORDIA COLLEGE, MN (2015)
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY (CA), CA (2015)
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY CHICAGO, IL (2012 & 2015)
CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY WISCONSIN, WI (2012)
COVENANT COLLEGE, GA (2015)
DALLAS BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
DELAWARE VALLEY COLLEGE, PA (2015)
DENISON UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)
DICKINSON STATE UNIVERSITY, ND (2015)
DORDT COLLEGE, IA (2015)
DYERSBURG STATE COMMUNITY COLLEGE, TN (2012 & 2015)
EAST STROUDSBURG UNIVERSITY, PA (2012 & 2015)
EASTERN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY, VA (2015)
EASTERN NEW MEXICO UNIVERSITY, NM (2012 & 2015)
ECKERD COLLEGE, FL (2015)
EDINBORO UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2015)
EDWARDSVILLE, IL (2012)
ENDICOTT COLLEGE, MA (2015)
FELICIAN COLLEGE, NJ (2012 & 2015)
FERRIS STATE UNIVERSITY, MI (2012 & 2015)
FISHER COLLEGE, MA (2015)
FISK UNIVERSITY, TN (2015)
FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY, FL (2015)
FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY, FL
FORT HAYS STATE UNIVERSITY, KS (2012 & 2015)
FRAMINGHAM STATE COLLEGE, MA (2012 & 2015)
FRANCIS MARION UNIVERSITY, SC (2012 & 2015)
GARDNER-WEBB UNIVERSITY, NC (2012)
GEORGE FOX UNIVERSITY, OR (2012 & 2015)
GEORGETOWN COLLEGE, KY (2015)
GEORGIA SOUTHWESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY, GA (2012)
GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY, IL (2012 & 2015)
GRAMBLING STATE UNIVERSITY, LA (2012 & 2015)
GUILFORD COLLEGE, NC (2015)
HESSER COLLEGE, NH (2015)
HOLY FAMILY UNIVERSITY, PA (2012 & 2015)
HOUSTON BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
HOWARD PAYNE UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)
HUMBOLDT STATE UNIVERSITY, CA (2012 & 2015)
HUSTON-TILLOTSON UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)
INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY, IN (2015)
INDIANA UNIVERSITY - BLOOMINGTON, IN (2015)
JAMESTOWN COLLEGE, ND (2015)
KEAN UNIVERSITY, NJ (2012 & 2015)
LAGRANGE COLLEGE, GA (2015)
LAKE SUPERIOR STATE UNIVERSITY, MI (2015)
LAMAR UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
LAMBUTH UNIVERSITY, TN (2015)
LANDER UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
LEE UNIVERSITY, TN (2012 & 2015)
LETOURNEAU UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
LEWIS-CLARK STATE COLLEGE, ID (2015)
LINDENWOOD UNIVERSITY, MO (2015)
LIPSCOMB UNIVERSITY, TN (2012)
LOCK HAVEN UNIVERSITY, PA (2015)
LONG ISLAND UNIVERSITY - C.W. POST, NY (2015)
MAHARISHI UNIVERSITY OF MANAGEMENT, IA (2012 & 2015)
MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA, PA (2012 & 2015)
MARANATHA BAPTIST BIBLE COLLEGE, WI (2015)
MARIAN UNIVERSITY, IN (2015)
MARIETTA COLLEGE, OH (2015)
MARY BALDWIN COLLEGE, VA (2012 & 2015)
MASSACHUSETTS MARITIME ACADEMY, MA (2015)
MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY, LA (2012 & 2015)
METROPOLITAN STATE COLLEGE OF DENVER, CO (2015)
MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY, TN (2012)
MIDWAY COLLEGE, KY (2015)
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY - MANKATO, MN (2015)
MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY - MOORHEAD, MN (2015)
MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE, MS (2012 & 2015)
MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY, MS (2015)
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY, MS (2015)
MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY, TN (2012)
MISSOURI SOUTHERN STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2015)
MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
MISSOURI WESTERN STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2015)
MONMOUTH UNIVERSITY, NJ (2012)
MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY, NJ (2012 & 2015)
MORGAN STATE UNIVERSITY, MD (2015)
MOUNT VERNON NAZARENE UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY, CA (2012)
 NEW JERSEY CITY UNIVERSITY, NJ (2012 & 2015)
 NEWBERRY COLLEGE, SC (2015)
 NICHOLLS STATE UNIVERSITY, LA (2012 & 2015)
 NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY, VA (2012 & 2015)
 NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY, NC (2015)
 NORTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, NC (2015)
 NORTH CAROLINA WESLEYAN COLLEGE, NC (2015)
 NORTH GREENVILLE UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
 NORTHEASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY, IL (2012 & 2015)
 NORTHERN ARIZONA UNIVERSITY, AZ (2015)
 NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, MI (2015)
 NORTHWEST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
 NORWICH UNIVERSITY, VT (2015)
 OAKLAND CITY UNIVERSITY, IN (2012 & 2015)
 OHIO CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)
 OKLAHOMA BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, OK (2015)
 OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY, OK (2015)
 OTTAWA UNIVERSITY, KS (2015)
 PACE UNIVERSITY, NY (2015)
 PACIFIC UNION COLLEGE, CA (2015)
 PALM BEACH ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY, FL (2012 & 2015)
 PATRICK HENRY COLLEGE, VA (2015)
 PFEIFFER UNIVERSITY, NC (2012 & 2015)
 PHILADELPHIA BIBLICAL UNIVERSITY, PA (2012)
 PHILANDER SMITH COLLEGE, AR (2015)
 POINT LOMA NAZARENE UNIVERSITY, CA (2015)
 POINT UNIVERSITY, GA (2015)
 PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY, TX (2012)
 PRESENTATION COLLEGE, SD (2015)
 QUEENS UNIVERSITY OF CHARLOTTE, NC (2015)
 QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, CT (2015)
 REINHARDT COLLEGE, GA (2015)
 RIVIER COLLEGE, NH (2012 & 2015)
 ROBERT B. MILLER COLLEGE, THE, MI (2015)
 ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE, MT (2015)
 SAINT AUGUSTINES COLLEGE, NC (2015)
 SAINT LEO UNIVERSITY, FL (2012 & 2015)
 SAINT MARY-OF-THE-WOODS COLLEGE, IN (2015)
 SAN DIEGO CHRISTIAN COLLEGE, CA (2015)
 SCHREINER UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)
 SHAWNEE STATE UNIVERSITY, OH (2015)
 SHENANDOAH UNIVERSITY, VA (2012 & 2015)
 SHIPPENSBURG UNIVERSITY, PA (2012)
 SOUTH CAROLINA STATE UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)
 SOUTH COLLEGE, TN (2015)
 SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
 SOUTHEASTERN UNIVERSITY, FL (2015)
 SOUTHERN ADVENTIST UNIVERSITY, TN (2015)
 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY CARBONDALE, IL (2015)
 SOUTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY EDWARDSVILLE, IL (2012 & 2015)
 SOUTHERN UTAH UNIVERSITY, UT (2015)
 SOUTHWEST BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, MO (2015)
 SOUTHWESTERN ASSEMBLIES OF GOD UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)
 SOUTHWESTERN COLLEGE, KS (2012 & 2015)
 SPALDING UNIVERSITY, KY (2015)
 SPELMAN COLLEGE, GA (2015)
 SPRING HILL COLLEGE, AL (2012 & 2015)
 ST. AMBROSE UNIVERSITY, IA (2012)
 STEPHEN F. AUSTIN STATE UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
 SULLIVAN UNIVERSITY, KY (2012 & 2015)
 SUNY AT BINGHAMTON, NY (2015)
 TALLADEGA COLLEGE, AL (2015)
 TARLETON STATE UNIVERSITY, TX (2015)
 TAYLOR UNIVERSITY, IN (2015)
 TEMPLE UNIVERSITY, PA (2015)
 TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY, TN (2015)
 TENNESSEE WESLEYAN COLLEGE, TN (2015)
 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - COMMERCE, TX (2015)
 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - KINGSVILLE, TX (2015)
 TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY - TEXARKANA, TX (2012 & 2015)
 TEXAS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
 THOMAS MORE COLLEGE, KY (2012 & 2015)
 TOCCOA FALLS COLLEGE, GA (2015)
 TOURO COLLEGE - NY, NY (2012 & 2015)
 TREVECCA NAZARENE UNIVERSITY, TN (2015)
 TROY UNIVERSITY - GLOBAL, AL (2015)
 TROY UNIVERSITY, AL (2012 & 2015)
 TRUMAN STATE UNIVERSITY, MO (2012 & 2015)
 TUSCULUM COLLEGE, TN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF AKRON, OH (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM, AL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA IN HUNTSVILLE, AL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL ARKANSAS, AR (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL MISSOURI, MO (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL OKLAHOMA, OK (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF CHARLESTON, WV (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT COLORADO SPRINGS, CO (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO AT DENVER, CO (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE, DE (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA, GA (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON - CLEAR LAKE, TX (2012)
 UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS, KS (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT FORT KENT, ME (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MAINE AT PRESQUE ISLE, ME (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND - EASTERN SHORE, MD (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS - DARTMOUTH, MA (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS LOWELL, MA (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MEMPHIS, TN (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI, MS (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - COLUMBIA, MO (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI - KANSAS CITY, MO (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF MOBILE, AL (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA - GREENSBORO, NC (2015)
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 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA, FL (2015)
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 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH TEXAS - DENTON, TX (2015)
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 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH ALABAMA, AL (2015)
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 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA - COLUMBIA, SC (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA - UPSTATE, SC (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA - POLYTECHNIC, FL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA - SARASOTA-MANATEE, FL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA - ST. PETERSBURG, FL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA - TAMPA, FL (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN INDIANA, IN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI, MS (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF ST. FRANCIS, IL (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE - CHATTANOOGA, TN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE - KNOXVILLE, TN (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE - MARTIN, TN (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT TYLER, TX (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF THE CUMBERLANDS, KY (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF THE OZARKS, AR (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF TULSA, OK (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - PARKSIDE, WI (2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - PLATTEVILLE, WI (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - STEVENS POINT, WI (2012 & 2015)
 UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN - STOUT, WI (2012 & 2015)
 VANGUARD UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, CA (2015)
 VICTORY UNIVERSITY, TN (2015)
 WARNER PACIFIC COLLEGE, OR (2015)
 WAYLAND BAPTIST UNIVERSITY, TX (2012 & 2015)
 WESTERN CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY, CT (2012 & 2015)
 WILEY COLLEGE, TX (2015)
 WILKES UNIVERSITY, PA (2012 & 2015)
 WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY, MS (2012)
 WINSTON-SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY, NC (2015)
 WINTHROP UNIVERSITY, SC (2015)

Appendix C

Proficiency Classifications and Proficiency Level Statistics

Proficiency Levels

The skills measured by the ETS Proficiency Profile test are grouped into three skill areas:

- Reading and critical thinking
- Writing
- Mathematics

Within each of these three skill areas, the specific skills tested by the ETS Proficiency Profile 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.

Skills Tested at Each Level

Reading and Critical Thinking

To be considered proficient at **Level 1**, a student 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

To be considered proficient at **Level 2**, a student 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

To be considered proficient at **Level 3**, a student should be able to:

- evaluate competing casual explanations
- evaluate hypothesis 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
- recognize the salient features or themes in a work of art
- evaluate the appropriateness of procedures for investigating a question of causation
- evaluate data for consistency with known facts, hypotheses or methods

Writing

To be considered proficient at **Level 1**, a student 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

To be considered proficient at **Level 2**, a student 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
- combines simple clauses into single, more complex combinations
- recast existing sentences into new syntactic combinations

To be considered proficient at **Level 3**, a student 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

To be considered proficient at **Level 1**, a student 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 multi-step 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 $\frac{1}{4}$ to 25%)
- 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.)

To be considered proficient at **Level 2**, a student 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 (the problems would have numeric answer choices.)

To be considered proficient at **Level 3**, a student should be able to:

- solve word problems that would be unlikely to be solved by arithmetic; the answer choices are either algebraic expressions or are 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 in which 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

The information presented in Appendix C is an excerpt from the ETS Proficiency Profile Users Guides (http://www.ets.org/s/proficiencyprofile/pdf/Users_Guide.pdf).