Chabot College Student Surveys: Trends 2001-2009 College-wide Learning Goals

Since 2001, the bienniel Fall student survey has asked students about the progress they have made as a result of being at Chabot in learning aspects of the five college-wide learning goals—communication, critical thinking, global and cultural involvement, civic responsibility, and the development of the whole person. The charts below compare the results of the surveys through 2009. High percentages of students have consistently reported making "some" or "a lot" of progress in all five goals, with the most progress in Communication and Critical Thinking. Writing effectively, communicating with respect, critical thinking, and thinking for myself have consistently been areas with the most progress. Each survey was conducted in a representative sample of course sections during October and completed by more than 1,150 students.

Student Progress on the College-wide Learning Goals: 2001-2009

As a result of being at Chabot, how much progress have you made in the following areas?		Some or a lot				
	All questions as written in 2009 survey unless noted	2001	2003	2005	2007	2009
Communication	• Reading effectively		78%	68%	77%	76%
	• Writing effectively	67%	79%	73%	80%	79%
	• Speaking effectively	68%		71%	77%	76%
	• Communicating with respect for the views of others	81%	82%	75%	82%	82%
	• Using computers and other technology effectively	66%	68%	61%	70%	70%
Critical Thinking	• Recognizing valid research information on the Internet				76%	75%
	• Critical thinking (evaluating, analyzing, questioning)	74%	77%	72%	80%	79%
	• Problem-solving (applying knowledge to new situations)			72%	78%	78%
	Mathematical skills and abilities	62%	70%	61%	68%	68%
	• Thinking for myself		83%	75%	84%	83%
	• Ability to learn on my own, pursue ideas, & find needed information*	75%	82%			
	 Awareness of diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds* 	76%	78%			
	• Understanding diverse philosophies, cultures, and ways of life	73%	76%	64%	74%	74%
	• Becoming informed about current issues affecting the US and the world			64%	70%	71%
	• Ability to make a positive contribution to my community		72%	54%	66%	
	• Developing a personal code of values and ethics			59%	72%	
Development of the whole person	• Balancing the health of my mind, body, and spirit			59%	72%	72%
	• Discovering my own potential	72%	82%	69%	78%	78%
	• Developing my own creative abilities	70%	70%	66%	76%	76%
	• Developing clear educational or career goals	62%	76%	69%	78%	76%
	Developing a love of learning		74%	65%	73%	72%

*as written in the 2003 Student Survey









