

Supplement to the Common Data Set
Appendix A. General Information

1. **Institutional short name:** St. Olaf College

2. **College nickname:** Oles

3. **Year school was founded:** 1874

4. **Institutional Control:**

Private (non-profit)

Religious affiliation: Evangelical Lutheran Church

Religious observance: chapel attendance actively encouraged

Religious study (courses) required

5. **Calendar:**

4-1-4 system (two semesters and one-month January interim)

Two summer sessions of six weeks each

Semester /Interim beginning dates for 2007 - 2008:

Fall: September 5, 2007

Interim: January 3, 2008

Spring: February 7, 2008

Summer School 2008:

Term I: June 2, 2008

Term II: July 14, 2008

Semester/Interim beginning dates for 2008 - 2009

Fall: September 3, 2008

Interim: January 5, 2009

Spring: February 9, 2009

Summer School 2009:

Term I: June 1, 2009

Term II: July 13, 2009

6. **Campus Setting:**

Small town/rural

Population of town: 19,413 (includes 5,000 college students)

Size of campus: 300-acre campus

Number of buildings (including residence halls) on campus: 57

New buildings/additions: December 2006, ground breaking for the new Science Center

Complex. 180,000 square foot new building plus 23,000 square feet of renovated space which will include 26 teaching labs, 17,000 square feet of student-faculty research space, 7 tiered classrooms, 11 flat-floored classrooms, 8 seminar rooms, 5 dedicated computational rooms, an 8,000 square foot science library and numerous individual and group-study spaces and informal gathering spaces designed to extend learning beyond the classroom and laboratory. Projected completion date is Fall 2008.

The St. Olaf commercial wind turbine started operation September 2006. The 1.65 megawatt wind turbine will ultimately produce about one third of the electricity that St. Olaf consumes in any given year.

Prevailing architectural style: eclectic, primarily limestone

Major metropolitan area: Minneapolis-St. Paul (35 miles to the north)

Name of nearest commercial airport: Minneapolis-St. Paul International

Distance from campus: 35 miles

City/town where passenger train service (Amtrak) used by St. Olaf students is located: Red Wing

Distance from campus: 25 miles

City/town where passenger bus service (Greyhound, Trailways, etc.) used by St. Olaf students is located: Faribault

Distance from campus: 15 miles

Nearest major highway: Travel Center, Interstate 35

Distance from campus: 7 miles

College operated transportation:

Northfield Transit provides continuous daytime transportation between St. Olaf and Carleton, as well as locations within the Northfield city limits. No charge with a current St. Olaf student id.

Co-op Bus provides round trips to the Twin Cities area Friday through Sunday.

Stops include Mall of America, the MSP International Airport and downtown St. Paul (where students can make connections via the Metropolitan Transit System).

Break shuttles are scheduled only during campus breaks. The cost is \$15 one-way.

Reservations are required and must be made 24 hours in advance.

After Hours Transportation - shuttle bus on Friday and Saturday evenings, route includes St. Olaf, Carleton, Bridge Square (downtown Northfield) Southgate Movie Theater, and Target/Cub/ Applebee's. No charge, no reservation needed

Movie Bus - provides free transportation to and from the Lakeville Mueller Family Theater (18 screens) and a discount on the movie ticket. Saturday evenings. Sign up at Student Activities office.

Safe Ride - college sponsored ride service to provide safe late-night transportation for students who must walk to or from campus after dark.. Student operation. Available 7:00 pm to 1:00 a.m. all days classes are in session.

7. Accreditation

Regional: North Central Association

Professional: National Association of Schools of Theatre, National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, Council on Social Work, National Association of Schools of Music, National League for Nursing, National Association of Schools of Dance, American Chemical Society

8. Mission Statement: <http://www.stolaf.edu/working/mission.html>

9. ACT number	2150
CEEB number	6638
FAFSA number	002382
FICE number	2382
SAT number	6638
CSS/Profile:	6638
Title 4:	00238200

10. Governing Board: 28 regents and 3 senior regents - St. Olaf College Board of Regents

11. Composition of Institution:

Administrators:

Academic affairs headed by provost and dean

Management/business/finances directed by vice-president and treasurer

Full-time instructional faculty

Academic governance body: St. Olaf College Faculty (meets an average of 8 times per year)

12. Principal officers:

President of the College: David R. Anderson, PhD

Provost and Dean of the College: James May, PhD

Vice-president and Treasurer: Alan Norton, PhD

Vice-president and Dean of Students: Greg Kneser, MA

Vice-president and Dean of Enrollment: Michael Kyle, BA

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20. Unique Qualities

At St. Olaf, approximately two-thirds of its student body participates in international study programs and one-third of the students participate in musical organizations. The internationally acclaimed St. Olaf Choir, Orchestra and Band each go on one major U.S. tour each year and perform internationally every few years. Natural habitat restoration and agriculture at St. Olaf College includes 700 acres of land dedicated to natural habitat, sustainable agriculture and conventional agriculture. This includes 45 acres of native prairie and five wetland areas.