

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 2000-2001:

Fall - September 7

Interim - January 3

Spring - February 7

Semester interim beginning dates for 2001-2002:

Fall: September 6

Interim: January 3

Spring: February 7

6. **Campus Setting:**

Small town/rural

Population of town: 16,500

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

Size of campus: 300 acre campus

Number of buildings (including residence halls) on campus: 51

New buildings/additions: Buntrock Commons (175,000 square feet - the largest commons at a small private college) was dedicated Fall 1999. Dittman Center for Art and Dance is currently under construction and has a target date for opening, Fall 2001.

Prevailing architectural style: eclectic, primarily limestone

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: Interstate 35 (7 miles from Northfield)

College operates transportation: in Northfield and to the Twin Cities, end of semester and spring break to larger Midwest cities (e.g. Madison, Chicago)

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

10. **Governing Board:** 27 regents - St. Olaf College Board of Regents

11. **Composition of Institution:**
Administrators:
Academic affairs headed by senior vice-president 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: Christopher M. Thomforde, D.Min
Senior Vice-president and Dean of the College: James Pence, PhD
Vice-president and Treasurer: Alan Norton, PhD
Interim Dean of Student Life: Greg Kneser, MA
Dean of Community Life and Diversity: Eida Berrio, PhD
Vice-president for Enrollment: Barbara Lundberg, MA
Senior Director of Communications: David Neuger, BA

13. **Admissions Contact:**
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18. Additional URL addresses:

College/tour/movie: <http://www.stolaf.edu/admissions/tour/>
College maps: <http://www.stolaf.edu/admissions/map.html>

19. 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. Internationally acclaimed St. Olaf Choir, Band and Orchestra go on one major U.S. tour each year and perform internationally every few years.