

2012 – 2013 SEARCH Data
Based on a 1-5 scale where 1 is weak and 5 is strong

September 19, 2012 Tim Churchard of University of New Hampshire

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speakers:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 47.5 %	5: 16.7 %	5: 16.3 %	5: 7.0 %
4: 31.0%	4: 31.2 %	4: 15.8 %	4: 44.4 %
3: 21.5%	3: 33.33 %	3: 44.4 %	3: 31.6 %
4: 0 %	2: 15.8 %	2: 23.5 %	2: 17.0 %
5: 0 %	1: 2.07 %	1: 0 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: This inspirational speaker presented the demise of our male population. The students were impressed with his credentials as a coach of both UNH football and hockey. The advisors of all school stated there was a lot of conversation concerning this issue during the following days.

October 3, 2012 Election Debate

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speaker:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 66.0%	5: 46.5 %	5: 45.2 %	5: 31.1 %
4: 11.2 %	4: 47.4 %	4: 49.6 %	4: 52.1 %
3: 11.3 %	3: 3.1 %	3: 3.7 %	3: 16.8 %
2: 11.5 %	2: 3.0 %	2: 1.5 %	2: 0.0 %
1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: The presentation by both the Republican and Democratic State Committees was both topical and interesting. The only complaint I received was that the students thought the Republican representative was a bit condescending.

October 17, 2012: Virginia Prescott of Word of Mouth at NHPR

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speaker:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 40.8 %	5: 81.9 %	5: 67.5	5: 40.4 %
4: 42.1 %	4: 18.1 %	4: 15.9	4: 34.4 %
3: 3.7 %	3: 0.0 %	3: 8.6	3: 25.2 %
2: 13.4 %	2: 0.0 %	2: 8.0	2: 0.0 %
1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0	1: 0.0 %

Notes: Virginia Prescott was a remarkable speaker with a massive amount of experience. She talked about radio and how it was different from the media my students are used to today. She may have lost some of the students because, in fact, they are unfamiliar with radio.

November 7, 2012

Science Fiction Writer James Patrick Kelly

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speakers:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 68.4 %	5: 80.8 %	5: 57.2 %	5; 60.0 %
4: 13.9 %	4: 19.2 %	4: 34.2 %	4: 16.8 %
3: 16.3 %	3: 0.0 %	3: 0.0 %	3: 13.6 %
2: 1.4 %	2: 0.0 %	2: 8.6 %	2: 9.6 %
1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: The students absolutely enjoyed this presenter and topic. He associated with the students well and his topic was discussed many weeks after the seminar. Mr. Kelly did exactly what we want this program to do and this is to promote thought. One of the student's comments was, "I now have a better understanding of what my future could look like."

November 28, 2012
Christianity

Panel concerning the many aspects of

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speaker:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 25.7 %	5: 32.14 %	5: 58.2 %	5: 56.3 %
4: 23.7 %	4: 38.90 %	4: 31.2 %	4: 27.2 %
3: 11.5 %	3: 22.50 %	3: 8.8 %	3: 11.9 %
2: 29.1 %	2: 2.20 %	2: 1.8%	2: 4.6%
1: 10.0 %	1: 4.26 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: The students showed respect and interest in a panel that discussed the many aspects of Christianity. The panel did a nice job in that it allowed questions during the presentation that brought up both political and theological discussions. The back and forth discussion between the panel and the students was a favorite of the students.

December 12, 2012

Poetry Slam

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speakers:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 77.7 %	5: 84.8 %	5: 27.6 %	5: 32.6 %
4: 11.5 %	4: 15.2 %	4: 4.0 %	4: 48.2 %
3: 10.8 %	3: 0.0 %	3: 25.6 %	3: 18.2 %
2: 0.0 %	2: 0.0 %	2: 40.6 %	2: 1.0 %
1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 2.2 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: This particular presentation has always been a favorite of the students of SEARCH. They became a part of their seminar by reading their own poetry and thoroughly enjoyed the interaction with the poets. The poetry slam will hopefully remain an integral part of the SEARCH program for many years to come.

January 9, 2013

The art of the mime of Robert Rivest

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speakers:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 77.4 %	5: 66.7 %	5: 36.3 %	5: 24.0 %
4: 21.0%	4: 21.2 %	4: 15.8 %	4: 68.4 %
3: 1.6%	3: 12.1 %	3: 41.9 %	3: 0.0 %
4: 0.0 %	2: 0.00 %	2: 7.0 %	2: 7.6 %
5: 0.0 %	1: 0.00%	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: Similar to the Poetry Slam, the speaker presented an art form that had rarely been seen by the students. He was both entertaining and interactive. The theme of this year’s seminar was how to remove stress. One comment by the students came from Spaulding who stated, “I never thought I could become interested in a mime.

January 23, 2013

Farms to Factories

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speaker:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 68.2 %	5: 77.8 %	5: 49.8 %	5: 35.1 %
4: 21.2 %	4: 19.3 %	4: 21.2 %	4: 45.6 %
3: 5.6 %	3: 2.9 %	3: 12.7 %	3: 12.2 %
2: 4.0%	2: 0.0 %	2: 16.3%	2: 7.1 %
1: 1.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: This presenter of this particular seminar is a compliment to the program. Years ago Matt Prescott was a member of SEARCH who is now an integral part of the FDA. His presentation on animal cruelty in our industrial farm system was both enlightening and disturbing. One of the students stated, “I may never eat pork again. “

February 6, 2013:

The political wing of the NRA

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speaker:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 72.9 %	5: 75.6 %	5: 72.4 %	5: 42.3 %
4: 13.8 %	4: 12.4 %	4: 27.6 %	4: 24.4 %
3: 13.3 %	3: 0.7 %	3: 0.0 %	3: 25.2 %
2: 0.0 %	2: 0.0 %	4: 0.0 %	2: 7.3 %
1: 0.0 %	1:11.3 %	5: 0.0 %	1: 0.8 %

Notes: This was a very controversial presentation by a leader of the NRA. The executive board decided to invite only one speaker for this seminar. We decided the student questions would offset the speaker’s points. The question and answer period was remarkable with students both defending and objecting to the policies being presented before them. One of the students was quoted as stating, “This is one presentation I will never forget.”

March 6, 2013: NAACP

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speakers:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 41.2 %	5: 19.8 %	5: 27.2 %	5: 49.1 %
4: 37.0 %	4: 49.5 %	4: 53.5 %	4: 36.8 %
3: 12.6 %	3: 15.0 %	3: 16.4 %	3: 12.6 %
2: 9.2 %	2: 0.0 %	2: 0.0 %	2: 0.0 %
1: 0.0 %	1: 15.7 %	1: 2.9 %	1: 1.5 %

Notes: This was our least popular seminar. Most did not know what the NAACP was or its history. This is a sad commentary on what we are teaching our children in our public schools but it also shows the importance of SEARCH. The speakers were a bit old and spoke in a pastoral fashion, which also made the students feel talked down to. In their defense the speakers were literally a part of history and worked hard to educate the students.

March 20, 201: Birth Order

Seminar Topic:	Seminar Speaker:	Question Period:	Groups:
5: 65.9 %	5: 74.1 %	5: 48.2 %	5: 43.3 %
4: 29.1 %	4: 12.7 %	4: 29.7 %	4: 38.9 %
3: 2.5 %	3: 10.8 %	3: 19.1 %	3: 11.9 %
2: 2.5 %	2: 2.4%	2: 3.0 %	2: 5.9 %
1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %	1: 0.0 %

Notes: Mr. Christian is a leading authority on birth order and has written widely on the topic of siblings and their effect on personality. SEARCH decided to bring in as a presenter a nationally recognized expert and author on Birth Order. He has been widely seen of TV in GMA, Today, and multiple national broadcasts. The students enjoyed his personality and knowledge of subject. They also enjoyed how he interacted with the SEARCH students.

April 10, 2013 Blue Man Group

Notes: Everyone enjoyed Blue Man Group. The entire SEAR CH program spent the day in Boston and enjoyed and was amazed by the show “Blue Man Group”.

