

Best Value Rank	Forbes Name	State	Carnegie Classification	Control
1	United States Military Academy	NY	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Public
2	United States Air Force Academy	CO	Baccalaureate Colleges--Diverse Fields	Public
3	United States Naval Academy	MD	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Public
4	Cooper Union	NY	Baccalaureate Colleges--Diverse Fields	Private
5	United States Merchant Marine Academy	NY	Baccalaureate Colleges--Diverse Fields	Public
6	College of the Ozarks	MO	Baccalaureate Colleges--Diverse Fields	Private
7	Berea College	KY	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Private
8	United States Coast Guard Academy	CT	Baccalaureate Colleges--Diverse Fields	Public
9	University of Florida	FL	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
10	New College of Florida	FL	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Public
11	Brigham Young University	UT	Research Universities (high research activity)	Private
12	Florida State University	FL	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
13	University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill	NC	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
14	California Maritime Academy	CA	Baccalaureate Colleges--Diverse Fields	Public
15	Utah State University	UT	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
16	Troy University	AL	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
17	University of North Carolina, Wilmington	NC	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
18	University of Georgia	GA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
19	CUNY, Baruch College	NY	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
20	Appalachian State University	NC	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
21	University of North Carolina, Asheville	NC	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Public
22	University of Central Florida	FL	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
23	SUNY, College of Environmental Science and Forestry	NY	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
24	University of Mississippi	MS	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
25	University of California, Berkeley	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
26	Louisiana State University	LA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
27	Georgia Institute of Technology	GA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
28	University of California, Los Angeles	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
29	CUNY, Queens College	NY	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
30	University of Washington	WA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
31	SUNY, Binghamton (Binghamton University)	NY	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
32	West Virginia University	WV	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
33	Western Washington University	WA	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
34	Mississippi State University	MS	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
35	North Carolina State University, Raleigh	NC	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
36	East Carolina University	NC	Doctoral/Research Universities	Public
37	University of North Carolina, Greensboro	NC	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
38	SUNY, Geneseo	NY	Master's Colleges and Universities (medium programs)	Public
39	University of Arizona	AZ	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
40	SUNY, Stony Brook (Stony Brook University)	NY	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
41	Colorado State University	CO	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
42	James Madison University	VA	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public

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43	University of Virginia	VA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
44	University of Mary Washington	VA	Master's Colleges and Universities (medium programs)	Public
45	University of Oregon	OR	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
46	Texas Tech University	TX	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
47	Arizona State University	AZ	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
48	University of Colorado, Boulder	CO	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
49	University of California, Irvine	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
50	University of Oklahoma, Norman	OK	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
51	College of William and Mary	VA	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
52	Oregon State University	OR	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
53	University of California, San Diego	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
54	University of Iowa	IA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
55	University of Alabama	AL	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
56	University of Wisconsin, Madison	WI	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
57	Northern Arizona University	AZ	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
58	Virginia Tech	VA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
59	Oklahoma State University	OK	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
60	Texas A&M University, College Station	TX	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
61	SUNY, Albany (University at Albany)	NY	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
62	University of California, Santa Cruz	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
63	University of Texas, Austin	TX	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
64	Virginia Military Institute	VA	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Public
65	University of California, Riverside	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
66	University of Arkansas	AR	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
67	University of California, Davis	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
68	George Mason University	VA	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
69	Murray State University	KY	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
70	Truman State University	MO	Master's Colleges and Universities (medium programs)	Public
71	Indiana University, Bloomington	IN	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
72	University of California, Santa Barbara	CA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
73	University of Maryland, College Park	MD	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
74	SUNY, Buffalo (University at Buffalo)	NY	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
75	Auburn University	AL	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
76	University of Tennessee, Knoxville	TN	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
77	University of Delaware	DE	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
78	University of Nebraska, Lincoln	NE	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
79	University of Kansas	KS	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
80	The Citadel	SC	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
81	Ohio State University, Columbus	OH	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
82	University of Minnesota, Morris	MN	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Public
83	Washington State University	WA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
84	Missouri State University	MO	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public

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85	Purdue University, West Lafayette	IN	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
86	University of Michigan, Ann Arbor	MI	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
87	University of South Carolina, Columbia	SC	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
88	Iowa State University	IA	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
89	University of Northern Iowa	IA	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
90	University of Connecticut	CT	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
91	University of Missouri, Columbia	MO	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
92	University of Texas, Dallas	TX	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
93	University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	IL	Research Universities (very high research activity)	Public
94	Towson University	MD	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public
95	St. Mary's College of Maryland	MD	Baccalaureate Colleges--Arts & Sciences	Public
96	Colorado School of Mines	CO	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
97	Miami University, Oxford	OH	Research Universities (high research activity)	Public
98	College of Charleston	SC	Master's Colleges and Universities (medium programs)	Public
99	Ball State University	IN	Doctoral/Research Universities	Public
100	Millersville University	PA	Master's Colleges and Universities (larger programs)	Public