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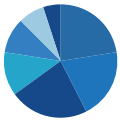


BEST COLLEGES RANKINGS REPORT 2015

West Virginia University | Morgantown, WV | Undergrad

September 9, 2014

WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY



NATIONAL UNIVERSITIES

2015 RANK **#168**

2014 RANK **#170**

U.S. NEWS RANKING CRITERIA

UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC REPUTATION



ACCOUNTS FOR **22.5%** OF RANK

ACADEMIC PEER ASSESSMENT RANK (15%)

2015 RANK **#157**

2014 RANK **#152**

HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR RANK (7.5%)

2015 RANK **#228**

2014 RANK **#215**

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FACULTY RESOURCES



ACCOUNTS FOR **20%** OF RANK

2015 RANK **#231**

2014 RANK **#224**

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GRADUATION AND RETENTION



ACCOUNTS FOR **22.5%** OF RANK

2015 RANK **#166**

2014 RANK **#163**

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STUDENT SELECTIVITY



ACCOUNTS FOR **12.5%** OF RANK

2015 RANK **#182**

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FINANCIAL RESOURCES



ACCOUNTS FOR **10%** OF RANK

2015 RANK **#125**

2014 RANK **#119**

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GRADUATION RATE PERFORMANCE



ACCOUNTS FOR **7.5%** OF RANK

2015 RANK **#95**

2014 RANK **#108**

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ALUMNI GIVING



ACCOUNTS FOR **5%** OF RANK

2015 RANK **#98**

2014 RANK **#84**

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Undergraduate Academic Reputation

The U.S. News ranking formula gives significant weight to the opinions of those in a position to judge a school's undergraduate academic excellence.

ACADEMIC PEER ASSESSMENT 2015 RANK

#157 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #152

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
66.7%	Peer Assessment Score	2.6	2.6

HIGH SCHOOL COUNSELOR 2015 RANK

#228 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #215

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
33.3%	High School Counselor Score	3.2	3.2

COMMENTS:



Faculty Resources

Research shows that the more satisfied students are about their contact with professors, the more they will learn and the more likely it is they will graduate. We use six factors from the 2012-13 academic year to assess a school's commitment to instruction.

FACULTY RESOURCES 2015 RANK

#231 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #224

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
10%	% of Classes With 50 or More Students	18.6%	18%
30%	% of Classes With Less Than 20 Students	36.4%	35.1%
35%	Faculty Compensation	181	178
5%	% of Faculty Who Are Full Time	84.1%	89.4%
5%	Student/Teacher Ratio	21	23
15%	% of Full Time Faculty with a Terminal Degree	80.8%	84.5%

COMMENTS:



Graduation and Retention

The higher the proportion of freshman who return to campus for sophomore year and eventually graduate, the better a school is apt to be at offering the classes and services that students need to succeed.

GRADUATION AND RETENTION 2015 RANK

#166 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #163

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
80%	Six-year Graduation Rate	57.3%	57.5%
20%	Freshman Retention Rate	78%	78.75%

COMMENTS:



Student Selectivity

A school's academic atmosphere is determined in part by the abilities and ambitions of the students. The data are all for the fall 2013 entering class.

STUDENT SELECTIVITY 2015 RANK

#182 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #195

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
65%	Average Math SAT	516	532
	Average Verbal SAT	536	513
	Composite ACT	24	24
25%	% of Students in Top 10% of HS Class	20%	17%
10%	Acceptance Rate	85.3%	85.1%

COMMENTS:



Financial Resources

Generous per-student spending indicates that a college can offer a wide variety of programs and services. U.S. News measures financial resources by using the average spending per student on instruction, research, and related educational expenditures in the 2012 and 2013 fiscal years. Spending on sports, dorms, and hospitals doesn't count.

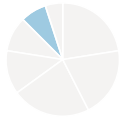
FINANCIAL RESOURCES 2015 RANK

#125 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #119

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
100%	Educational Expenditures Per Student	\$27541	\$26956

COMMENTS:



Graduation Rate Performance

This indicator shows the effect of the college’s programs and policies on the graduation rate of students after controlling for spending and student characteristics such as test scores and the proportion receiving Pell grants.

GRADUATION RATE PERFORMANCE 2015 RANK

#95 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #108

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
100%	Six-year Graduation Rate	57%	56%
	Predicted Graduation Rate	55%	55%

COMMENTS:



Alumni Giving

This reflects the average percentage of living alumni with bachelor's degrees who gave to their school during 2011-12 and 2012-13, which is an indirect measure of student satisfaction.

ALUMNI GIVING 2015 RANK

#98 OUT OF 268

2014 RANK #84

SUB FACTOR WEIGHT	RANKING METRIC	2015 VALUE	2014 VALUE
100%	Alumni Giving Rate	12.5%	14.2%

COMMENTS:
