

UCSD ranked among best public universities in annual survey

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The University of California, San Diego is ranked seventh in excellence among the nation's public universities, according to the 11th annual edition of America's Best Colleges issued by U.S. News and World Report.

This is the first year U.S. News has ranked the nation's top public universities in a separate table from all national universities. The annual guide rated 1,400 schools, designating 50 as best among the largest and best known national universities, and 25 as best among the public universities. The quality rankings appear in the Sept. 1 issue of the magazine.

Of the 25 state-supported universities, the University of Virginia ranked first, followed by UC Berkeley and the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, tied at second; the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, fourth; UCLA, fifth, the College of William and Mary, sixth, and UCSD, seventh.

Among the nation's top national universities, both private and state-supported, UCSD ranked 33rd, one count ahead of last year's 34th rank. Top U.S. colleges were Harvard University and Princeton University, tied at first, followed by Duke University and Yale University.

To determine the rankings, the magazine polled 1,400 four-year schools on attributes such as academic reputation, retention, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial resources, value added and alumni giving rate.

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