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ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA

The University of Virginia (U.Va.), located in Charlottesville, is distinctive among institutions of higher education, and consistently ranks among the top two public universities in the United States. The University was founded in 1819 by Thomas Jefferson and sustains an ideal of developing, through education, leaders who are well-prepared to help shape the future of the nation.

U.Va. has long been a leading institution in humanities, social sciences, and arts scholarship. The University is now committed to enhancing research in key interdisciplinary areas of science and engineering including: morphogenesis and regenerative medicine; nano and quantum science and engineering; computer and information science and engineering; healthy aging; and environment, energy, and sustainability. In building these complementary strengths, U.Va. cultivates a university research culture that supports innovation and ultimately leads to discoveries that will transform society.

RANKINGS

The University of Virginia remains the No. 2 best public university in the 2009 edition of the *U.S. News and World Report* rankings. In the 12 years since *U.S. News* began ranking public universities as a separate category, U.Va. has ranked either No. 1 or No. 2.

U.Va. continues to rank in the Top 25 among the best of all national universities, public and private, tying with UCLA at No. 24 in 2009.

U.Va. offers students the best education for their money of all the nation's public universities, according to "Best Value Colleges for 2009," a ranking released by *The Princeton Review* and *USA TODAY*.

Since 1998, the University Medical Center has been named one of the nation's Top 100 Hospitals. It is one of only 15 major teaching hospitals to be ranked among the nation's top 100 hospitals. In addition, the U.Va. Medical Center is one of only two hospitals from the Commonwealth to be selected in 2009.

In April, 2009, 47 U.Va. Health System doctors were selected for inclusion in the annual guide *America's Top Doctors*TM (eighth edition).

Schools, Departments and Programs

(Not all schools or programs are rated every year, so the date of the last ranking is posted in parentheses.)

- 6th McIntire School of Commerce (2010)**
 - 6th Management (2010)
 - 8th Finance (2010)
 - 8th Marketing (2010)
 - 13th Accounting (2010)

- 10th Law School (2010)**
 - 8th International Law (2010)
 - 11th Tax Law (2010)

- 10th English Department, Graduate Programs (2010)**
 - 4th American Literature before 1865 (2010)
 - 6th 18th-20th Century British Literature (2010)
 - 11th American Literature after 1865 (2010)
 - 12th African-American Literature (2010)

- 12th Biomedical Engineering Department (2010)**

- 14th Physics Department, Graduate Program (2010)**

- 15th Darden Graduate School of Business Administration (2010)**
 - 8th Management (2010)
 - 15th Executive MBA (2010)
 - 19th Marketing (2010)

- 19th Nursing School, Graduate Programs (2008)**
 - 5th Psychiatric/Mental Health Nursing (2008)
 - 6th Clinical Nurse Specialist: Adult Medical/Surgical (2008)
 - 13th Pediatric Nurse Practitioner Program (2008)
 - 16th Family Nurse Practitioner Program (2008)

- 20th History Department, Graduate Programs (2010)**
 - 8th U.S. Colonial History (2010)
 - 8th Modern U.S. History (2010)

- 23rd Psychology Department, Graduate Programs (2010)**
 - 4th Developmental Psychology (2010)
 - 10th Social Psychology (2010)
 - 15th Clinical Psychology (2010)
- 24rd School of Medicine, Research (2010)**
- 24th Curry School of Education, Graduate Programs (2010)**
 - 4th Special Education (2010)
 - 5th Elementary Education (2010)
 - 6th Secondary Education (2010)
 - 10th Curriculum Instruction (2010)
 - 13th Educational Policy (2010)
 - 19th Higher Education Administration (2010)
 - 24th Administration and Supervision (2010)
- 28th Economics Department, Graduate Programs (2010)**
- 37th School of Engineering and Applied Science, Undergraduate Programs (2010)**
 - 12th Biomedical Engineering (2010)
 - 23rd Chemical Engineering (2010)
 - 25th Materials Science (2010)
 - 29th Computer Science (Ph.D. Program) (2010)

2009

BusinessWeek ranked the McIntire School of Commerce as the No. 1 undergraduate business program in the country.

Forbes released a biennial survey of America's best business schools and ranked Darden 9th in the nation. The survey ranks schools based on "return on investment," which is determined by compensation five years after graduation minus tuition and the forgone salary during school.

For the second consecutive year, in 2009 the *Princeton Review* ranked the faculty at the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business as the best in the business. The University of Virginia offers students the best education for their money of all the nation's public universities, according to "Best Value Colleges for 2009," a ranking released by *The Princeton Review* and *USA TODAY*.

In the 2009 edition of its "Best 174 Law Schools," the Princeton Review ranked U.Va.'s School of Law first in the "Quality of Life" category. Other rankings for U.Va. Law: No. 3 in Best Career Prospects, No. 4 in "Professors Rock" (Legally Speaking), and No. 5 in Best Classroom Experience.

For the 15th straight year, the University of Virginia's African-American students posted the highest graduation rate among those at all public universities in the nation, according

to the annual compilation published by the Journal of Blacks in Higher Education (JBHE).

The University of Virginia was ranked 11th among large universities in having the most volunteers on the Peace Corps' annual list of "Top Producing Colleges and Universities." U.Va. has 62 alumni currently serving as Peace Corps volunteers.

2008

Forbes published a listing that ranked U.Va. No. 1 among national public universities by the Center for College Affordability & Productivity, a research organization in Washington, D.C. that evaluates colleges based on results.

An economist at Vanderbilt University took the top 50 business programs in the nation, as ranked by *U.S. News & World Report*, and reordered them according to the gains in salary that the school appears to provide. Using this system, Cornell University came out on top, followed by Indiana University at Bloomington and the University of Virginia.



Based on the quality of both its academic and financial aid offerings, the University of Virginia ranks third among more than 500 public four-year colleges and universities across the nation for "best value," according to an annual ranking by *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* magazine.

The University of Virginia and Columbia University tied in *The Journal of Blacks in Higher Education's* statistical ranking for enrolling the highest percentage of black students in their first-year classes.

2007

BusinessWeek ranked the McIntire School of Commerce as the number two undergraduate business program in the country for the second year in a row. *BusinessWeek* takes a variety of factors into account to determine the rankings, including academic quality, students' satisfaction with their programs, test scores and class size.

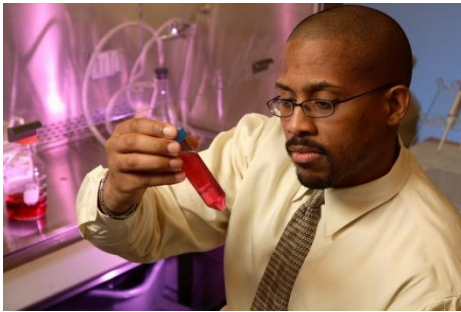


Darden's Executive Education program has, once again, been ranked among the world's best according to the *Financial Times*. The FT ranks Darden's faculty as the best in the world for the fourth consecutive year. The faculty teaching Darden's executive education courses is the same faculty that teaches the School's MBA courses.

Forbes released a biennial survey of America's best business schools and ranked Darden 4th in the nation. The survey ranks schools based on "return on investment," which is determined by compensation five years after graduation minus tuition and the forgone salary during school.

The *Princeton Review* continued to give high rankings to the University of Virginia in the annual "Best 366 Colleges Rankings List." The *Princeton Review* ranked U.Va. fourth in its list of top-valued public undergraduate colleges, which is based on a variety of factors, including academics, cost and financial aid. U.Va. also received top recognition in the categories of Best Career/Job Placement Services, Best College Library, and Best Southeastern Colleges.

In its book, *Best 290 Business Schools*, the *Princeton Review* ranked professors at the University of Virginia's Darden School of Business as the best in the business. The book



does not assign overall rankings to schools, but does rank masters in business administration programs in several categories. In the "Best Professor" category, Darden professors rank No. 1. The *Princeton Review* is known for its college rankings based on how students rate their schools

The University of Virginia Medical Center was selected as an award winner in the 2007 Thomson

100 Top Hospitals®: Cardiovascular Benchmarks for Success Study, 9th Edition.

NCAA data shows the University of Virginia holds a 94-percent graduation rate among athletes, having measures in place for helping student-athletes achieve academic success.

2006

The 2006 *Newsweek/Kaplan* "How to Get Into College" guide identified the University as one of 25 "New Ivies" — a group of public and private institutions identified based on admissions statistics and interviews with administrators, faculty, students and alumni.

The number of doctors from the University of Virginia Health System selected for inclusion in the annual guide *America's Top Doctors™* (sixth edition) totaled 50. Published annually by Castle Connolly Medical Ltd., the book recognizes physicians who are considered among the top one percent in the nation in their medical specialties and sub-specialties.

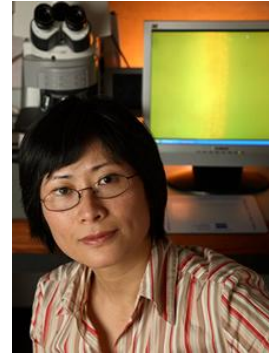
University of Virginia's College at Wise

The 2009 *U.S. News & World* report ranked the University of Virginia College at Wise No. 4 for 2010 among liberal art colleges in the Least Debt category. While 59 percent of students at the College at Wise graduate with debt, at an average debt of \$10,252, it is the fourth lowest among national liberal arts colleges.

SUPERLATIVES/RECENT ACCOLADES

Faculty

- 14 members of the Institute of Medicine
- 3 Sloan Research Fellowships
- 3 Packard Foundation Awards
- 2 Pew Scholars in Biomedicine
- 12 National Academy of Engineering members
- 3 MacArthur fellows
- 25 Guggenheim fellows
- 26 Fulbright Scholars
- 6 National Endowment for the Humanities fellows
- 4 members of the National Academy of Science
- 24 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences
- 2 Presidential Young Investigators Awards



Area

- In May 2009, *Kiplinger's Personal Finance Magazine* named Charlottesville the No. 4 city in the country. The magazine writes that Charlottesville is a great city because of stable employers such as the University of Virginia, attractions like the outdoor downtown mall, and its close proximity to Washington DC and Norfolk.
- In July 2008, *Outside Magazine* recognized Charlottesville as a top place to live in the country.
- In 2008, [*Forbes Magazine*](#) and [*Money Magazine*](#) also named Charlottesville among the top cities in the United States.
- In their book, *Cities Ranked and Rated*, Bert Sperling and Peter Sander continue to rank Charlottesville in the top 5% among the best places to live in the United States.
- The National Trust for Historic Preservation, the country's largest private, nonprofit preservation organization, named Charlottesville to its 2007 list of America's Dozen Distinctive Destinations, an annual list of unique and lovingly preserved communities in the United States. Charlottesville was selected from 63 destinations in 27 states that were nominated by individuals, preservation organizations and local communities



Research

- Sponsored Program awards totaled over \$296 million for FY 2009 from all sources (federal and state agencies, industry and private foundations).
- 15 Highly Cited Researchers are among our faculty:
http://www.virginia.edu/vpr/news/highly_cited.html
- To learn more about U.Va's research activities, please visit
<http://www.virginia.edu/vpr/research.html>

FULLTIME ENROLLMENT

(2008-09): 21,057

STUDENT BODY CHARACTERISTICS (2008-09)

Student Enrollment

13,762	Undergraduate
4,904	Graduate
1,725	First-professional (law & medicine)
666	On-Grounds Continuing Education
21,057	Total

Male/Female

Total- all students on Grounds

56 percent women; 44 percent men

TUITION (2008-09)

IN-STATE TUITION: Undergraduate: \$9,490; Graduate: \$12,140

OUT OF STATE TUITION: Undergraduate: \$29,760; Graduate: \$ 22,140

AFFILIATED SCHOOLS, COLLEGES, GRADUATE SCHOOLS

College of Arts and Sciences

Curry School of Education

Darden Graduate School of Business

Frank Batten School of Public Policy

McIntire School of Commerce

School of Architecture

School of Continuing and Professional Studies

School of Engineering and Applied Science

School of Law

School of Medicine

School of Nursing



SATELLITE CAMPUSES: [The University of Virginia's College at Wise](#)

NUMBER OF DEGREES CONFERRED (2008-09):

Bachelor's: 3,560

Master's: 1,727

First Professional: 547

Doctorate: 360

SELECTED DEGREES OFFERED

Selected Engineering Degrees	Bachelor's	Master's	Ph.D.
Aerospace Engineering	x	x	x
Applied Mechanics		x	
Biochemistry & Molecular Genetics			x
Biomedical Engineering	x	x	
Chemical Engineering	x	x	x
Civil Engineering	x	x	x
Computer Engineering	x	x	x
Electrical Engineering	x	x	x
Engineering Physics		x	x
Engineering Science	x		
Materials Science		x	x
Mechanical Engineering	x	x	x
Physics	x		x
Systems Engineering	x	x	x

Selected Science-related Degrees	Bachelor's	Master's	Ph.D.
Bioethics		x	
Biological and Physical Sciences		x	
Biology	x	x	x
Biophysics			x
Cell Biology			x
Chemistry	x	x	x
Computer Science	x	x	x
Environmental Sciences	x	x	x
Molecular Medicine and Systems Biology			x
Microbiology			x
Medicine		x	
Neuroscience			x
Nursing	x	x	x
Pharmacology			x

Selected Business Degrees	Bachelor's	Master's	Ph.D.
Accounting		x	
Business Administration		x	x
Commerce	x	x	
Economics	x	x	x
Management Information Systems		x	
Statistics		x	x