

[Tulane gets high marks in latest US News Best Colleges rankings](#)

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Tulane University is one of the country's best institutions of higher education according to the *2018 U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges* rankings, which were released today. The popular rankings give Tulane high marks in numerous categories, noting it as a national research university known for the innovation of its curriculum, its focus on student success, its welcoming of veterans and its dedication to public service.

Tulane is ranked 40th among “Best National Universities” and its undergraduate business school is 45th among the nation’s “Best Business Programs.”

Tulane is also ranked 24th among the “Most Innovative Schools.” The schools in this category were selected by fellow university presidents, provosts and admission deans for the innovative improvements they have made in their curriculum, faculty, students, campus life, technology or facilities.

In the “High School Counselors Top College Picks” category Tulane is ranked 39th. The rankings also highlight Tulane’s focus on initiatives that encourage student success, including its service learning program, which is ranked in the nation’s top 25.

“These rankings indicate the success of Tulane’s interdisciplinary approach to research, teaching and learning,” Tulane President Mike Fitts said. “Student and faculty at Tulane combine knowledge from fields as diverse as the arts, engineering, music, medicine and more to address the challenges of our community and our world.”

The rankings come on the heels of Tulane welcoming one of its largest, most academically qualified and diverse first-year classes ever this fall.

Tulane also recently announced that the 2016-17 fiscal year was the best fundraising year in its 183-year history, with new gifts and commitments surpassing \$126 million. The increased funding means Tulane can recruit and retain more renowned faculty and provide more support for scholarships, programming and campus facilities.