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Florida State University's graduate and professional programs continue to get top marks



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Florida State University is on a roll after some of its graduate and professional programs ranked in the U.S. News & World Report's "Best Graduate Schools" 2023 edition.

The annual rankings show that twenty of FSU's graduate programs and specialties are ranked in the top 25 among public universities.

Programs in education, business, law and engineering, as well as those periodically ranked by U.S. News, such as biological sciences, chemistry and statistics, all secured spots on the list.

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"These rankings affirm FSU's commitment to providing students with a high-quality graduate education," Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs Jim Clark said in a statement.

"As more students are turning to Florida State University for a graduate education, we're pleased that U.S. News recognizes the value of the programs we offer."

Graduate student enrollment rose along with FSU's rankings as the university's graduate enrollment has grown by 83 percent since fall 2017; this far surpasses the goal of 3 percent annual growth, according to the university.

“The record-breaking trajectory of applications and enrollments illuminates how students are looking at our programs and liking what they see,” FSU Graduate School Dean Mark Riley added.

New records were set by the College of Education in the latest rankings as the college moved up two spots to No. 26 overall and one spot to No. 17 among public universities this year.

The college's individual graduate programs also ranked highly among public institutions, including special education (No. 16), higher education (No. 13), education administration (No. 18) and curriculum and instruction (No. 23).

“Our faculty, staff and students continue to make great strides and positive contributions to their fields,” FSU College of Education Dean Damon Andrew said in a statement. “I’m thrilled to see this hard work reflected in these latest record-breaking rankings.”

Once again, the College of Business’ MBA specialty in real estate ranked in the top 10 among public schools at No. 9 and in the top 20 nationwide at No. 16.

The part-time MBA program ranked No. 28 among public part-time, campus-based MBA programs, marking a sizable jump for FSU of moving up 18 places from its previous No. 46 spot.

FSU’s College of Medicine also rose two spots to No. 11 nationwide and No. 7 among public medical schools in the publication’s ranking of direct patient care programs in professional shortage areas.

“As the first new medical school of the 21st century, the college takes great pride in our mission of serving our communities,” FSU College of Medicine Dean John P. Fogarty said, “particularly for rural and underrepresented patients.”

In other rankings:

The College of Law climbed up one spot to No. 47 in the nation and maintained its No. 24 status among public universities.

The FAMU-FSU College of Engineering accumulated a ranking of No. 60 among public institutions, moving up three spots overall.

The public management and leadership specialty checked in at No. 10 among public programs; the local government management specialty placed No. 12 among public universities.

Statistics ranked No. 21 among public universities, rising 14 spots.

FSU's chemistry program jumped 18 spots in the overall rankings and moved up to No. 27 among public universities.

Social work ranked No. 27 among public universities.

Biological science climbed 32 spots among national universities; earth sciences rose 37 places.

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