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[Morris Is Again Named a Top Public Liberal Arts College](#)

Summary: This is the seventeenth consecutive year in which Morris has been included on this U.S. News and World Report list.

MORRIS, Minnesota (September 9, 2015)—*U.S. News and World Report* has released its 2016 college rankings, which again name [the University of Minnesota, Morris](#) one of the nation's [Top Public Liberal Arts Colleges](#). This is the seventeenth consecutive year in which Morris has been included on this list. Morris was ranked 7th among Public Liberal Arts Colleges and 136th on the [National Liberal Arts Colleges list](#).

In addition to the Top Public Liberal Arts Colleges list, Morris also was included on a list of colleges that recognize and value “spirit and hard work” as well as “a broad, engaged student body.” This [“A-Plus Schools for B Students” list](#) identifies colleges that consider individual applicants during the admissions process rather than relying solely on test scores and class standing.

Morris also was recognized on the web-exclusive ethnic and economic diversity-focused [“Foreign Student Factor” list](#), which identifies the national universities and national liberal arts colleges with the largest proportions of international undergraduates during the 2014–15 academic year.

U.S. News and World Report bases its rankings on quantitative indicators of academic quality. It first categorizes schools by mission, then gathers data from each college on up to 16 indicators of academic excellence. Each factor is assigned a weight that reflects a judgment about how much a measure matters. Finally, the colleges and universities in each category are ranked against their peers, based on their composite weighted score.

Additional information and a full listing of the rankings is available online at usnews.com/colleges.

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