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# **Students Have Many Top Colleges And Universities To Choose From**

Picking a college is an important decision. You want to make sure that you choose the right college for your needs. A great place to start is with the top public colleges in the United States.

The number one public school according to research by US News is the University of California Berkley. It is located in the San Francisco Bay area in an urban setting. The number of enrolled students is just over 25,000 and approximately 22% of applicants are accepted into the school each fall. In-state applicants can expect a tuition rate of almost \$11,000 per year, while out-of-state students can expect a higher rate of nearly \$34,000 per year. The university has a thriving campus with over 700 student organizations and over 50 fraternities and sororities. It was first founded in 1868, and has been thriving ever since. The university also has a high four-year graduation rate of nearly 70%. Surfing the internet is a good way to keep up with the most recent information about [online degrees from state colleges](#) to help with your choice.

There are two universities that come in at number two. The University of California Los Angeles, UCLA, and the University of Virginia are both number two on the top ten list. UCLA has the same tuition as UC Berkley, but has more students enrolled, around 27,000. The University of Virginia in Charlottesville has only 16,000 students, but does cost the same as the other colleges. University of Virginia is a suburban campus, while UCLA is an urban set campus.

Next on the top ten list is the University of Michigan located in Ann Arbor. It was founded in 1817 and is located in an urban setting. The tuition rate is slightly higher than the first three schools. In-state students will pay just over \$12,000 per year and out-of-state students will pay just over \$36,000. The campus sits on over 3000 acres of land and the university is situated less than an hour outside of Detroit.

The next two schools on the top ten public university list are the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill and the College of William and Mary. The University of North Carolina Chapel Hill is a suburban set college that has approximately 18,000 enrolled students. This university has a lower tuition rate than the other schools on the list so far. In-state students' tuition is just under \$7000 a year and out-of-state students' tuition is just over \$25,000 a year. Chapel Hill is well known for being one of the nation's best college towns. The College of William and Mary is located in Williamsburg Virginia. It is the second oldest college in the nation, founded in 1693, and is a suburban set school. The College of William and Mary is known for its small student population, currently the school has fewer than 6,000 students. The tuition falls in at just over \$12,000 for in-state students and just over \$33,000 for out-of-state students.

At number seven there are two colleges, the Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta and the University of California San Diego. The Georgia Institute of Technology is home to an almost all male student body with nearly 70% of its 13,500 students being male. Students that are considered in-state pay tuition of \$9,000 each year, while those who are considered to be out-of-state pay tuition of \$27,000 each year. The University of San Diego's campus sits in La Jolla California. Weighing the value of [accredited online colleges](#) is a good idea when you are making your decision.

At the end of the top ten list are two colleges, the University of California Davis and the University of California Santa Barbara. These two schools have the same tuition for their students, which is \$12,000 for in-state students and \$35,000 for out-of-state students. UC Davis's campus is located just 15 miles away from Sacramento and has a total of 5,000 acres. UC Davis has a student body comprised of approximately 20,000 students. UCSB is located about 100 miles north of Los Angeles and is situated right on the coast of the Pacific Ocean.

Choosing on campus or [accredited online colleges](#) is a life-changing decision. You want to make sure that you make the best decision based on your wants and needs. These top public colleges have a lot to offer and are definitely worth the time to discover if they are right for you. If you are looking for more information about various schools, check [eLearners.com](#).

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