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Georgia Southern University has been named one of America's Best Colleges in the 2012 edition of *U.S. News and World Report*.

Georgia Southern University, which now boasts an enrollment of more than 20,000 students from all 50 U.S. states and nearly 90 countries, is featured in the national university category. The category highlights the top 268 public and private universities in the country.

"Being ranked by *U.S. News and World Report* in the national universities category is an honor for Georgia Southern," said Georgia Southern University President Brooks Keel, Ph.D. "This affirms our belief that it is important to always strive for excellence while building for the future. The hard work of our students, faculty and staff along with the support of our community continues to make Georgia Southern an outstanding university that is a leader in education and research."

National universities offer a full range of undergraduate majors, plus master's and Ph.D. programs and emphasize faculty research. Data indicating academic excellence from a range of categories is gathered from each institution and is weighted by the magazine's staff. The colleges are then ranked against their peers based on their composite score.

U.S. News and World Report analyzes data that includes assessments by administrators at peer institutions, student retention rates, graduation rates, faculty resources, student selectivity and financial resources. Alumni giving and ratings by high school counselors are also factors that are analyzed.

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