

GRYMES HILL

More accolades for Wagner College

Princeton Review guide names it one of America's best schools

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Wagner College was named one of America's best colleges in the Princeton Review's 2017 "Best 381 Colleges" guide, released Monday.

The Wagner College Theater program was also ranked Number 3 in the nation.

Only about 15 percent of America's 2,500 four-year colleges are profiled in the "Best 381 Colleges" book, which is the Princeton Review's flagship college guide.

It includes detailed profiles of the colleges with rating scores for all schools in eight categories, based on the Princeton Review's surveys of students attending

the colleges.

In its overall profile on Wagner College, this year's Princeton Review "Best 381 Colleges" guide quotes extensively from students surveyed for the book.

Wagner students describe the college as a "tight-knit and fun, yet academically challenging" liberal arts school.

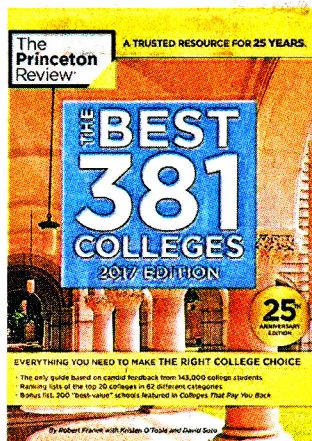
They cited its suburban campus atop Grymes Hill and its proximity to New York City, and the school's "learn by doing" policy that gets students off campus and into the community.

The school is "in the perfect location with a surplus of unique resources" and is composed of "an excellent and vibrant community that supports its students every step of the way."

Students said Wagner "lets you experience all different types of subjects by following the concept: Learning by doing."

THEATER PROGRAM LAUDED

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atre (WTC) was ranked third among collegiate theater programs in America in the Princeton Review's "Best Colleges" guide for 2017.

Wagner came behind Muhlenberg and Sarah Lawrence — and ahead of Bennington, Bard, Fordham, Columbia, the University of Chicago and Brown, among

others.

The WCT has been ranked among the top 5 collegiate theater programs in the United States by the Princeton Review for more than a decade.

The department, which was created in 1968, has a long list of distinguished alumni, from Tony Award winner Randy Graff '76 to "Jersey Boys" film star Renee Marino '04.

"Wagner College's tradition of doing theater, particularly musical theater, clearly remains strong," said department chair Felicia Ruff.

"We take pride in our work on stage and in the classroom, but we are even prouder of our community, which is united by our belief in the importance of live performance," Ruff said.

"Our ranking is a well-deserved endorsement of our excellent faculty and the values they teach, but it is also evidence of the power of storytelling to impact our culture, especially our campus culture."