GRYMES HILL

U.S. News & World Report recognizes Wagner College

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Wagner College was ranked in the top 18% of northern regional universities in the new U.S. News & World Report Best Colleges 2020 guide.

The Grymes Hill college placed number 32 out of 179 colleges in the regional top tier. Wagner has appeared in the top 25% of schools in its category for more than 20 years.

Among Wagner’s strengths in the U.S. News rankings data were class size and faculty/student ratio. At Wagner, 68% of classes have fewer than 20 students, and has one professor for every 12 students.

It was also included on two specialty rankings lists: “Most Innovative Schools” and “Best Value Schools.” These schools are chosen by taking into account a school’s academic quality and the net cost of attendance. The higher the quality of the program, and the lower the cost, the better the deal, according to U.S. News & World Report.

The “Most Innovative Schools” were nominated for making promising changes on campus and innovative improvements in terms of curriculum, faculty, students, campus life, technology or facilities.

“Wagner is truly one of the nation’s most innovative colleges, because our faculty collaborate so creatively in designing and delivering the curriculum while also connecting the coursework to the wider world through experiential learning and internships,” said Wagner College President Joel W. Martin. “I congratulate Wagner’s faculty and staff for their exceptional work, and I look forward to building upon this legacy of educational innovation and excellence so that the college reaches new levels of achievement.”

Last month, Wagner College ranked within Forbes America’s Top Colleges list, and ranked among the “Best Colleges for Your Money 2019” by Money.com. It was also named one of America’s top colleges in the Princeton Review’s 2020 “Best 385 Colleges” guide. The Wagner College Theatre Program was ranked number three in the nation in the guide, ahead of Brown, Elon, Florida State and Drew universities, and Stephens and Emerson colleges.

The College of Staten Island, Willowbrook, ranked between the 129th and 170th range of regional universities in the northeastern United States. The public institution was founded in 1976 and has a total undergraduate enrollment of 12,211. The college also ranked in the Top Performers on Social Mobility and non-doctorate Engineering Programs.

St. John’s University, which has a campus in Grymes Hill, ranked 179th of universities in the national rankings. The university, which was founded in 1870, also ranked in the “Best Colleges for Veterans” and “Best Value Colleges” rankings.

To rank colleges, U.S. News first places schools into a category based on its mission and/or location. National Universities, which focus on research and offer several doctoral programs, are ranked separately from National Liberal Arts Colleges, Regional Universities and Regional College.

The site gathers data from and about each school in up to 15 areas related to academic excellence. Each indicator is assigned a weight based on U.S. News’ researched judgment about which measures of quality matter most. The colleges are then ranked based on their overall scores.

Here’s where other New York schools landed on the national rankings list.

› 17. Cornell University
› 29. (tie) New York University
› 29. (tie) University of Rochester
› 50. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
› 54. Syracuse University
› 74. Fordham University
› 79. (tie) Binghamton University
› 79. (tie) University at Buffalo
› 91. (tie) Stony Brook University
› 97. (tie) Yeshiva University