

**America's Best Colleges : U.S. News World Report**  
**Salisbury University Rankings: 1998 - 2006**

	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
<b>Rank (North Region)<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>40</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>44</b>
# of Institutions	146	146	146	146	167	165	165	165	165
<b>Tier</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Top</b>	<b>Top</b>
Public Institution Ranking (North)	7	9	7	8	10	6	4	7	7
Financial Resources Rank	136	123	127	128	164	150	143	140	147
<b>Academic Reputation Rank</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>37</b>
Graduation & Retention Rank	53	51	42	39	38	35	33	31	28
<b>Student Selectivity Rank</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>26</b>
Faculty Resources Rank	64	79	37	87	120	100	88	128	131
<b>Alumni Giving Rank</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>107</b>	<b>89</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>136</b>
Final Overall Scores	77	76	65	61	64	51	53	46	48

\*Note: In the 2005 and 2006 editions, US News combined Tier 1 & 2 and simply listed their rank out of all institutions presented.

<sup>1</sup>In all rows **except** "Final Overall Scores," **the lower the number the higher the ranking.** "Final Overall Scores," range from 1-100 with 100 the highest score.

**US News Ranking Criteria: 2006 Edition**

Ranking Category	Subfactor	Subfactor Weight	Relative Weights as a Percent of Total
<b>Academic Reputation</b> 25%	Academic Reputation Survey	100%	25.0%
<b>Student Selectivity</b> 15%	Acceptance Rate	10%	1.5%
	High School Class: Top 25%	40%	6.0%
	SAT/ACT Scores	50%	7.5%
<b>Faculty Resources</b> 20%	Faculty Compensation (2Yrs: Ave Sal + Benefits) (Adjusted for regional COL differences)	35%	7.0%
	Faculty w/ top terminal degrees	15%	3.0%
	Percent F/T Faculty	5%	1.0%
	Student/Faculty Ratio	5%	1.0%
	Class Size: 1-19	30%	6.0%
	Class Size: 50+	10%	2.0%
<b>Grad/Retention Rate</b> 25%	6-Yr Graduation Rate (Average: 4 yrs)	80%	20.0%
	FR-SO Retention Rate (Average: 4 yrs)	20%	5.0%
<b>Financial Resources</b> 10%	Educational Expenditures per Student (Ave-2 yrs:instrctn,rsrch,stdnt srv, related eductnl)	100%	10.0%
<b>Alumni Giving</b> 5%	Alumni Giving Rate (2 yr ave)	100%	5.0%
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