

U.S. News & World Report Rankings of Online Bachelor's Programs

U.S. News & World Report uses the following categories and weights when ranking institutions' online Bachelor's programs:

- Engagement – 35%: Opportunities are provided for students to readily interact with their instructors and with each other;
- Services and Technologies – 25%: Diverse online technologies are incorporated, and strong support structures are provided, such as learning assistance, career guidance and financial aid resources;
- Faculty Credentials and Training – 20%: Online instructors have academic credentials that mirror those who teach in campus-based programs, and professional development is provided to train them to teach online;
- Expert Opinion – 20%: High-ranking academic officials are surveyed for intangible factors that affect program quality.

Some of the SUS institutions were not included in the rankings because they do not meet the threshold definition of "online Bachelor's program" used by U.S. News & World Report. Only predominantly online Bachelor's degree programs, from entry to completion, are included in the rankings. Excluded from the rankings are:

- Programs that combine regular, mandatory brick-and-mortar classes with online classes;
- Online programs at the graduate level, Associate's level, or certificate level.

Of the 381 online Bachelor's programs in the rankings, the information below reflects how SUS institutions that met the threshold definition were ranked:

- UF – tied for #1 (top 10)
- UCF – tied for #7 (top 10)
- UNF – tied for #47 (top 15%)
- FAU – tied for #55 (top 15%)
- FIU – tied for #59 (top 15%)
- UWF – tied for #59 (top 15%)