

Updated Benchmark Schools May 09, 2017

Cohort Schools	US News Rank 2017	SAT Midpoint 2015	Endowment FY 2015	% of SMU Endowment	R&D Expenditures	2016-17 Salaries		
						Assts	Assocs	Fulls
American University	74	1245	\$600,336	39.9%	\$63,628	\$83,600	\$105,800	\$163,200
Baylor University	71	1245	\$1,168,242	77.6%	\$20,729	\$86,200	\$98,500	\$133,500
Boston University	39	1305	\$1,644,117	109.2%	\$367,328	\$101,100	\$120,000	\$177,400
Fordham University	60	1260	\$665,532	44.2%	\$17,961	\$98,700	\$115,600	\$168,400
George Washington University	56	1290	\$1,616,357	107.4%	\$227,995	\$92,700	\$115,000	\$174,600
Marquette University	86	1225	\$551,558	36.6%	\$23,633	\$82,000	\$90,200	\$120,600
Pepperdine University	50	1210	\$805,154	53.5%	\$2,401	\$86,100	\$112,800	\$140,400
Syracuse University	60	1190	\$1,166,109	77.5%	\$66,321	\$79,600	\$97,700	\$134,700
Texas Christian University	82	1245	\$1,514,296	100.6%	\$7,872	\$84,800	\$100,500	\$139,900
University of Denver	86	1205	\$632,761	42.0%	\$18,183	\$85,500	\$98,800	\$139,800
University of Miami	44	1320	\$887,329	58.9%	\$345,805	\$98,000	\$108,300	\$165,000
University of Tulsa	86	1305	\$1,037,169	68.9%	\$27,077	\$80,200	\$85,700	\$124,400

Southern Methodist University	56	1309	\$1,505,296	100.0%	\$32,401	\$99,400	\$110,300	\$159,700
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Aspirant Schools	US News Rank 2017	SAT Midpoint 2015	Endowment FY 2015	% of SMU Endowment	R&D Expenditures	2016-17 Salaries		
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Boston College	31	1365	\$2,219,600	147.5%	\$49,724	\$105,800	\$114,500	\$177,900
Brandeis University	34	1360	\$915,087	60.8%	\$74,992	\$88,500	\$106,300	\$148,100
Carnegie-Mellon University	24	1450	\$1,739,474	115.6%	\$251,222	\$101,300	\$108,400	\$158,600
Emory University	20	1380	\$6,684,305	444.1%	\$558,600	\$104,900	\$118,400	\$172,000
Lehigh University	44	1325	\$1,213,207	80.6%	\$37,066	\$97,500	\$104,300	\$155,900
Tufts University	27	1445	\$1,593,019	105.8%	\$160,825	\$90,500	\$107,200	\$152,500
Tulane University	39	1360	\$1,220,464	81.1%	\$157,825	\$93,200	\$92,300	\$152,300
University of Notre Dame	15	1465	\$8,566,952	569.1%	\$182,228	\$104,000	\$116,600	\$175,500
University of Rochester	32	1355	\$2,050,199	136.2%	\$353,419	\$102,400	\$109,300	\$159,000
University of Southern California	23	1385	\$4,709,511	312.9%	\$687,222	\$97,400	\$109,900	\$175,800
Vanderbilt University	15	1490	\$4,133,542	274.6%	\$683,890	\$97,000	\$114,700	\$190,600
Wake Forest University	27	1305	\$1,167,400	77.6%	\$176,380	\$77,900	\$98,500	\$149,300

US News Ranking and SAT data is from the US News Best Colleges Publication Year 2017

Bold Italics in the SAT Midpoint means it was a converted ACT score

SMU SAT Score is the actual Average for the corresponding year, and not the calculated midpoint as done for the other institutions.

Endowments is from National Association of College and University Business Officers and Commonfund Institute, FY 2015 (Dollars in Thousands)

http://www.nacubo.org/Research/NACUBO-Commonfund_Study_of_Endowments/Public_NCSE_Tables.html

R&D expenditures is from the National Science Foundation - FY 2014 (Dollars in Thousands)

<http://ncesdata.nsf.gov/herd/2014/> Table 18 - ranked by all R&D expenditures, by source of funds: FY 2014

Faculty Salaries is from the AAUP 2016-17 Annual Report on the Economic Status of the Profession (Visualizing Change).