

AcademicInfluence.com Ranks the Best Colleges & Universities in Iowa for 2022

DES MOINES, IOWA, UNITED STATES, June 8, 2022 /EINPresswire.com/ -- The top colleges & universities in Iowa get an updated ranking for 2022 in the AcademicInfluence.com series "The Best Colleges & Universities in the USA." The updated series includes rankings that cover multiple categories of higher education institutions in the state of Iowa.

[Best Colleges & Universities in Iowa for 2022](#)

Students can access a number of category rankings of Iowa colleges & universities to fit their needs:

- 5 Research Universities
- 23 Liberal Arts Colleges & Universities
- 6 Graduate Schools
- 4 Public Colleges & Universities
- 24 Private Colleges & Universities
- 19 Christian Colleges & Universities
- 24 Small Colleges & Universities (fewer than 5,000 students)
- 4 Affordable Colleges (below \$20,000/year)
- 15 Community Colleges
- 21 Top-ranked Online Colleges

For many students, attending an in-state college or university continues to provide tuition benefits. The cost advantages they receive from attending a school in their state may be the deciding factor in pursuing a college degree. The convenience of a school within driving distance also factors into costs by providing locals with commuting as an alternative to expensive on-campus housing.



IOWA'S UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

What are the top colleges and universities in Iowa? See where AcademicInfluence.com ranks them in a variety of categories... (Image credit: Des Moines, Iowa Skyline by pabradyphoto, Getty Images, Canva Pro License)

“Students today want more value from their college choices, which is why choosing an in-state education continues to be attractive. Rising costs are a staple of daily news stories. We want to shift the focus off expensive out-of-state schools and onto the best in-state schools each state has to offer its students,” says Dr. Jed Macosko, academic director of AcademicInfluence.com and professor of physics at Wake Forest University.

Which colleges & universities in Iowa rank among the best overall?

(Listed alphabetically)

- Briar Cliff University (Sioux City)
- Buena Vista University (Storm Lake)
- Clarke University (Dubuque)
- Coe College (Cedar Rapids)
- Cornell College (Mount Vernon)
- Dordt University (Sioux Center)
- Drake University (Des Moines)
- Graceland University (Lamoni)
- Grand View University (Des Moines)
- Grinnell College (Grinnell)
- Iowa State University (Ames)
- Iowa Wesleyan College (Mount Pleasant)
- Loras College (Dubuque)
- Luther College (Decorah)
- Maharishi International University (Fairfield)
- Morningside College (Sioux City)
- Mount Mercy University (Cedar Rapids)
- Northwestern College (Orange City)
- Simpson College (Indianola)
- St. Ambrose University (Davenport)
- University of Dubuque (Dubuque)
- University of Iowa (Iowa City)
- University of Northern Iowa (Cedar Falls)
- Upper Iowa University (Fayetteville)
- Waldorf University (Forest City)
- Wartburg College (Waverly)
- William Penn University (Oskaloosa)

Baseline eligibility for selection: four-year undergraduate degree offerings and full accreditation. Visit the link above to see where these schools rank, along with additional details about each school, as well as rankings of all other Iowa colleges & universities.

In addition to comprehensive Iowa rankings, AcademicInfluence.com also provides students with updated U.S. rankings for colleges & universities:

[The 50 Best Universities in the United States for 2022](#)

For even greater customization, students can filter results to meet 24 personalized criteria through the [Custom College Rankings at the AcademicInfluence.com site](#).

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“At a time when college rankings are under increasing scrutiny, AcademicInfluence.com stands behind our tech-driven rankings. Unlike some ranking sites, we’re not dependent on older, more subjective, and more game-able processes. We’ve pioneered better rankings for a better education,” says Macosko. “Not only will students find our rankings superior, but they’ll also benefit from our many helpful guides and our college selection tools. This collection of best-in-class resources is why students from around the world come to AcademicInfluence.com to find answers to their college-search questions.”

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