## ASU, UA land in ranking of 100 best universities in the world

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ASU and UA are among the world's best universities, according to a new ranking.

Two of the world's 100 best universities are right here in Arizona.

Both University of Arizona and Arizona State University cracked the new ranking from TheBestSchools.org, a site that provides resources on a whole range of colleges and universities and their programs.

On the "100 Best Universities in the World Today" list, UA ranked No. 62, right ahead of Imperial College London (No. 63) and just behind University of Iowa (No. 61). ASU landed at No. 80, ahead of University of Halle-Wittenberg in Germany (No. 81) and behind University of Rochester (No. 79).

TheBestSchools.org notes its ranking is different from other college lists because it focuses "on academic prestige, scholarly excellence, and sheer intellectual horsepower."

ASU earned high marks for its investment in research as well as a top-tier faculty:

It has added 156 award recipients, as well as fellows and members of the various national academies. This prestigious group now includes four Nobel laureates, six Pulitzer Prize winners, 25 Guggenheim Fellows, 114 Fulbright American Scholars, 11 members of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and 65 fellows of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

The ranking highlighted UA's research bona fides, noting the Tucson university is one of only 56 public research-intensive universities, as well as the range of its degree programs:

Its great size lets it offer courses leading to 334 different bachelor's, master's, doctoral, and professional degrees. It also offers students 100 study abroad programs in 50 different countries. The school has 12 libraries.

Harvard University in Massachusetts topped the list.

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