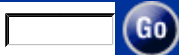


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1.	Rhode Island School of Design	4.4
	School of the Art Institute of Chicago	4.4
	Yale University (CT)	4.4
4.	California Institute of the Arts	4.1
5.	Cranbrook Academy of Art (MI)	4.0
6.	Alfred U.--New York State Col. of Ceramics	3.9
	Art Center College of Design (CA)	3.9
	University of California--Los Angeles	3.9
	Virginia Commonwealth University	3.9
10.	Carnegie Mellon University (PA)	3.7
	School of Visual Arts (NY)	3.7
	University of Iowa	3.7
13.	Arizona State University	3.6
	California College of Arts and Crafts	3.6
	Indiana University--Bloomington	3.6
	Maryland Institute College of Art	3.6
	Pratt Institute (NY)	3.6
	Rochester Institute of Technology (NY)	3.6
	San Francisco Art Institute	3.6
	University of Wisconsin--Madison	3.6
21.	Columbia University (NY)	3.5
	Massachusetts College of Art	3.5
	Temple University (PA)	3.5
	University of Georgia	3.5
	University of Illinois--Urbana-Champaign	3.5
	University of Texas--Austin	3.5
	Washington University in St. Louis	3.5
28.	Bard College (NY)	3.4
	New School Univ.--Parsons School of Design (NY)	3.4
	Ohio State University	3.4
	University of California--Davis	3.4
	University of Washington	3.4
	University of the Arts (PA)	3.4
34.	American Film Institute Conservatory (CA)	3.3
	Claremont Graduate University (CA)	3.3
	Cleveland Institute of Art	3.3
	Otis College of Art and Design (CA)	3.3
	Rutgers State University--New Brunswick	3.3
	Syracuse University (NY)	3.3
	University of Arizona	3.3
	University of California--Irvine	3.3
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	University of Pennsylvania	3.3
45.	Cornell University (NY)	3.2
	Minneapolis College of Art and Design	3.2
	New York University	3.2
	Southern Illinois University--Carbondale	3.2
	Tufts U./School of the Museum of Fine Arts--Boston	3.2
	University of California--Berkeley	3.2
	University of New Mexico	3.2
	University of North Texas	3.2
	University of Tennessee--Knoxville	3.2
54.	CUNY--Hunter College	3.1
	Mills College (CA)	3.1
	University of Cincinnati	3.1
	University of Colorado--Boulder	3.1
	University of Illinois--Chicago	3.1
	University of Kansas	3.1
	University of Southern California	3.1
61.	Boston University	3.0
	Florida State University	3.0
	Maine College of Art	3.0
	Ohio University	3.0
	Pennsylvania State University--University Park	3.0
	San Diego State University	3.0
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	University of Wisconsin--Milwaukee	3.0
	West Virginia University	3.0
74.	California State University--Long Beach	2.9
	Iowa State University	2.9
	Kent State University (OH)	2.9
	Louisiana State University	2.9
	Michigan State University	2.9
	Northern Illinois University	2.9
	Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts	2.9
	Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (NY)	2.9
	SUNY Col. of Arts and Sci.--New Paltz	2.9
	SUNY--Purchase College	2.9
	SUNY--Stony Brook	2.9
	University of California--Santa Barbara	2.9
	University of Florida	2.9
	University of Massachusetts--Amherst	2.9
	University of Nebraska--Lincoln	2.9
	University of Oregon	2.9
90.	California State University--Los Angeles	2.8
	Clemson University (SC)	2.8
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	Memphis College of Art	2.8
	Miami University--Oxford (OH)	2.8
	Northwestern University--Evanston (IL)	2.8
	San Francisco State University	2.8
	University at Buffalo	2.8
	University of Connecticut	2.8
	University of Delaware	2.8
	University of Houston	2.8
	University of Maryland--College Park	2.8
	University of Massachusetts--Dartmouth	2.8
	University of Nevada--Las Vegas	2.8
	University of South Florida	2.8

105.	Bennington College (VT)	2.7
	Columbia College (IL)	2.7
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	University of Oklahoma	2.7
	Wayne State University (MI)	2.7
115.	American University (DC)	2.6
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	California State University--Fullerton	2.6
	California State University--Northridge	2.6
	Georgia State University	2.6
	Illinois State University	2.6
	Montana State University	2.6
	North Carolina State University	2.6
	Southern Illinois University--Edwardsville	2.6
	Texas Tech University	2.6
	University of Kentucky	2.6
	University of Notre Dame (IN)	2.6
	Washington State University	2.6
129.	CUNY--City College	2.5
	Edinboro University of Pennsylvania	2.5
	George Washington University (DC)	2.5
	Kansas State University	2.5
	New Mexico State University	2.5
	University of Memphis	2.5
	University of Miami (FL)	2.5
	University of Montana	2.5
	Western Michigan University	2.5
	Wichita State University (KS)	2.5

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