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The environmental schools rankings, which include public and private four-year institutions with 1,000 total students or more, are based on published surveys, student data, and other school and career data sources. Information was gathered from public sources as well, including the Integrated Postsecondary Data System (IPEDS) and the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES). Schools were sorted in order of the highest percentage of total students graduating with an environmental science degree.

For the MBA program ranking, College Choice built a composite score based on a number of factors, including academic reputation, cost of attendance, student satisfaction, and early career earning potential. The data were compiled from publically available sources like NCES, IPEDS, PayScale, U.S. News & World Report, and university websites.

Earlier this year, U.S. News & World Report ranked USFSP's Online MBA program as being No. 15 in the nation, No. 2 in the state. The program scored especially well in the category of Faculty Credentials and Training, in which it tied at No. 3 nationally. USFSP's [Kate Tiedemann College of Business](#) is dually accredited in both business and accounting by AACSB International, a distinction held by just 1 percent of business schools worldwide.

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