



Analysis of Auburn University at Montgomery and Alabama Universities and IPEDS Peer Universities 2019 U.S. News & World Report "Best Regional Universities"

Alabama Regional University Comparisons

Institution	Regional University Rank 2019 (2018 Rank)	Top Public Regional Universities Rank 2019 (2018 Rank)	Overall score 2019 (2018 score)	Peer assessment score 2019 (5.0=highest) (2018 score)	Average Freshmen Retention Rate 2019 (2018 Rate)	Actual Graduation Rate 2019 (2018 Rate)	% of classes under 20 2019 (2018)	% of classes over 50 2019 (2018)	Student-faculty ratio 2019 (2018 ratio)	SAT/ACT 25th-75th %ile 2019 (2018 %ile)	Freshmen in top 25% of HS class 2019 (2018)	Average alumni giving rate 2019 (2018 rate)
Samford University	South 4 (South 3)	Private Institution	90 (89)	3.9 (3.8)	88% (88%)	76% (73%)	66% (61%)	3% (2%)	12/1 (12/1)	23-29 (23-29)	58% ⁵ (57% ⁵)	9% (10%)
University of Montevallo*	South 42 tie (South 38 tie)	14 tie (13 tie)	58 (59)	3.0 (3.0)	77% (76%)	50% (50%)	48% (48%)	1% (1%)	14/1 (14/1)	20-26 (20-26)	N/A (N/A)	8% (10%)
University of North Alabama*	South 78 tie (South 85 tie)	29 tie (32)	46 (44)	2.8 (2.8)	75% (74%)	44% (43%)	47% (44%)	4% (4%)	19/1 (20/1)	19-25 (19-25)	N/A (N/A)	5% (5%)
Auburn University at Montgomery*	South 95 tie (South 95 tie)	38 tie (37 tie)	40 (40)	3.0 (2.9)	66% (65%)	28% (23%)	47% (48%)	3% (2%)	16/1 (14/1)	19-24 (19-24)	43% (44%)	3% (3%)
Tuskegee University	South 95 tie (South 27)	Private Institution	40 (62)	3.0 (3.1)	72% ⁸ (72% ⁸)	46% ⁶ (45% ⁶)	N/A (57% ⁴)	N/A (9% ⁴)	14/1 ⁴ (14/1 ⁴)	21-22 ⁴ (18-23 ⁴)	N/A (60% ⁴)	N/A (10% ⁴)
Alabama A&M University*	South 2 nd Tier (South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	2.4 (2.5)	59% ⁸ (60% ⁸)	24% (27%)	41% (37%)	3% (3%)	N/A (18/1)	16-19 ³ (16-19)	N/A (N/A)	11% (9%)
Alabama State University*	South 2 nd Tier (South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	2.3 (2.4)	59% (60%)	28% (22%)	49% (43% ⁴)	0.3% (0.3% ⁴)	N/A (17/1)	16-19 (15-19)	34% ⁵ (9% ⁵)	4% (4%)
Faulkner University	South 2 nd Tier (South 106 tie)	Private Institution	N/A (36)	2.5 (2.6)	57% (55%)	28% (30%)	70% (72%)	2% (1%)	N/A (13/1)	18-22 (18-23)	60% ⁴ (60% ⁵)	2% (2%)
Jacksonville State University*	South 2 nd Tier (South 89 tie)	N/A (34 tie)	N/A (41)	2.7 (2.8)	75% (74%)	37% (35%)	42% (42%)	5% (6%)	N/A (18/1)	19-26 ³ (20-26 ³)	45% (41%)	8% ⁴ (8%)
Troy University*	South 2 nd Tier (South 89 tie)	N/A (34 tie)	N/A (41)	3.0 (2.9)	67% ⁸ (71% ⁸)	41% (39)	0.2% (53%)	0.5% (6%)	N/A (15/1)	18-25 (19-26)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)
University of West Alabama*	South 2 nd Tier (South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	2.5 (2.5)	65% (62%)	32% (29%)	58% (56%)	8% (3%)	N/A (12/1)	18-23 (18-23)	N/A (N/A)	3% (3%)

Peers Identified for IPEDS Comparisons

Institution	Regional University Rank 2019 (2018 Rank)	Top Public Regional Universities Rank 2019 (2018 Rank)	Overall score 2019 (2018 score)	Peer assessment score 2019 (5.0=highest) (2018 score)	Average Freshmen Retention Rate 2019 (2018 Rate)	Actual Graduation Rate 2019 (2018)	% of classes under 20 2019 (2018)	% of classes over 50 2019 (2018)	Student-faculty ratio 2019 (2018 ratio)	SAT/ACT 25th-75th %ile 2019 (2018 %ile)	Freshmen in top 25% of HS class 2019 (2018)	Average alumni giving rate 2019 (2018 rate)
Univ. of Louisiana-Monroe (LA)*	N/A (N/A)	‡National University	N/A (N/A)	2.1 (2.1)	73% (72%)	42% (43%)	39% (36%)	12% (13%)	N/A (N/A)	20-25 (19-25)	20% (25%)	4% (4%)
Winthrop University (SC)*	25 tie (South 25)	8 tie (8)	67 (65)	3.3 (3.3)	76% (75%)	57% (58%)	49% (47%)	2% (3%)	14/1 (14/1)	19-25 (20-25)	51% (51%)	7% (7%)
Western Carolina University (NC)*	34 tie (South 38 tie)	11 tie (13 tie)	61 (59)	3.1 (3.1)	79% (79%)	59% (56%)	27% (26%)	5% (5%)	17/1 (17/1)	20-24 (20-25)	38% (38%)	5% (6%)
University of Tennessee-Martin (TN)*	42 tie (South 46 tie)	14 tie (17 tie)	58 (55)	2.8 (2.8)	74% (73%)	50% (50%)	60% (61%)	3% (3%)	15/1 (15/1)	20-25 (20-25)	44% (48%)	6% (7%)
Radford University (VA)*	46 (South 43 tie)	18 (15 tie)	57 (56)	3.1 (3.1)	75% (76%)	55% (58%)	35% (35%)	9% (9%)	16/1 (16/1)	940-1120 ² (860-1050 ²)	21% (22%)	3% (4%)
University of North Alabama (AL)*	South 78 (South 85 tie)	29 tie (32)	46 (44)	2.8 (2.8)	75% (74%)	44% (43%)	47% (44%)	4% (4%)	19/1 (20/1)	19-25 (19-25)	N/A (N/A)	5% (5%)
Austin Peay State University (TN)*	85 tie (South 73 tie)	34 (27 tie)	44 (47)	3.0 (3.0)	69% (69%)	36% (40%)	50% (50%)	5% (5%)	18/1 (18/1)	19-24 ² (19-24 ²)	35% (37%)	3% (3%)
Auburn University at Montgomery*	South 95 tie (South 95 tie)	38 tie (37 tie)	40 (40)	3.0 (2.9)	66% (65%)	28% (23%)	47% (48%)	3% (2%)	16/1 (14/1)	19-24 (19-24)	43% (44%)	3% (3%)
Columbus State University (GA)*	102 tie (South 106 tie)	42 tie (45 tie)	38 (36)	2.7 (2.6)	74% (72%)	33% (31%)	52% (47%)	5% (5%)	17/1 (17/1)	870-1070 (860-1090)	37% (34%)	3% (3%)
Jacksonville State University (AL)*	South 2 nd Tier (South 89 tie)	N/A (34 tie)	N/A (41)	2.7 (2.8)	75% (74%)	37% (35%)	42% (42%)	5% (6%)	N/A (18/1)	19-26 ³ (20-26 ³)	45% (41%)	8% ⁴ (8%)
McNeese State University (LA)*	South 2 nd Tier (South 104 tie)	N/A (43 tie)	N/A (37)	2.6 (2.6)	68% (68%)	41% (41%)	45% (44%)	7% (8%)	N/A (21/1)	20-25 (20-24)	45% (44%)	4% (6%)
Winston-Salem St. University (NC)* ¹	South 2 nd Tier (South 106 tie)	N/A (45 tie)	N/A (36)	2.6 (2.5)	77% ⁸ (78% ⁸)	46% ⁶ (46% ⁶)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (14/1 ⁴)	800-940 ⁴ (810-930 ⁴)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)
NW State U. of Louisiana (LA)*	South 2 nd Tier (South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	2.5 (2.5)	71% (70% ⁸)	37% (41%)	48% (50%)	6% (5%)	N/A (20/1)	19-24 (19-24)	40% (42%)	N/A (N/A)
Armstrong State University (GA)*	N/A† (South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (2.5)	N/A (71%)	N/A (31%)	N/A (45%)	N/A (3%)	N/A (17/1)	N/A (890-1080)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (5%)

‡=2nd Tier National University; * = Public School; N/A = not available; N/A† = Armstrong State University merged with Georgia Southern University in January 2018; 1 = School refused to fill out U.S. News statistical survey. Data that appear are from school in previous years or from another source such as the National Center for Education Statistics.; 2 = SAT and/or ACT not required by school for some or all applicants.; 3 = In reporting SAT/ACT scores, the school did not include all students for whom it had scores or refused to tell U.S. News whether all students with the same scores had been included.; 4 = Previous year's data was used in the ranking calculation; 5 = Data based on fewer than 51 percent of enrolled freshmen.; 6 = Some or all data reported to the NCAA and/or the National Center for Education Statistics.; 7 = Data reported to the Council for Aid to Education; 8 = This rate, normally based on four years of data, is given here for less than four years because school didn't report rate for the most recent year or years to U.S. News; 9 = SAT and/or ACT scores may not be required by school for some or all applicants, and in reporting SAT/ACT scores, the school did not include all students for whom it had scores or refused to tell U.S. News whether all students with scores had been included.