



# Princeton Review recognizes AUM among top universities in Southeast

[Auburn University at Montgomery \(AUM\)](#) has been recognized by *The Princeton Review* as one of the top universities in the Southeast for the third consecutive year.

AUM was one of 142 colleges and universities honored among the “Best in the Southeast” on *Princeton Review*’s list of “[2021 Best Colleges: Region by Region](#).” Overall, Princeton Review recognized 655 institutions in five different geographic regions nationwide – the Southeast, Northeast, Midwest, West and International. The schools earning recognition make up just 23 percent of the nation’s four-year colleges.

"We chose Auburn University at Montgomery and the other outstanding institutions on this list primarily for their academics," said Robert Franek, *The Princeton Review*'s Editor-in-Chief.

He noted that the company considered data from its survey of administrators at several hundred colleges in each region, information from staff visits to schools over the years, and the opinions of college counselors and advisors whose perspectives the company solicits. "We also consider what students enrolled at the schools reported to us on our student survey about their campus experiences," Franek added.

AUM Chancellor Carl A. Stockton said the honor carries special meaning given *The Princeton Review*’s reliance on student surveys. “Chief among our core values are the promise to deliver a student-centered experience,” Stockton said. “We also strive for excellence and to promote diversity of people and perspectives. The feedback our students provided to *The Princeton Review* indicates that they are pleased with our efforts in each of these areas. I am grateful to all that our faculty and staff have done, and continue to do, to serve our fantastic students.”

*The Princeton Review* invited students to provide feedback about their institutions’ academic programs, student body and campus life. AUM student survey respondents offered the following feedback:

## Academics

“[Faculty] don’t teach ... just for the paycheck. They care.”

“[AUM offers] degree plans for pretty much everything, no matter what job you’re looking for.”

“[Professors] truly care for your success and will help you in any way.”



## Student Body

“[AUM feels like] a huge melting pot with many religions, cultures and races.”

“One of the gems of the South in that it is much more diverse than many other places in the area.”

“Close-knit campus [where everyone] feels almost like family.”

“A very welcoming atmosphere.”

## Campus Life

“You go to [AUM] with your eyes on the prize, ready to work and get your degree.”

“Sporting events bring everyone together.”

*The [Princeton Review](#)* is an education services company headquartered in New York City and known for its tutoring, test-prep, books, and other student resources.

**About AUM:** Founded in 1967 and located in Alabama’s capital city, Auburn University at Montgomery has distinguished itself as the college of choice for students in Alabama’s River Region and beyond. AUM has ranked among regional public universities in the South from *U.S. News & World Report* and is the only university in Alabama’s River Region to be designated a “Military Friendly School” by Victory Media. AUM has also been named the top university in the River Region each of the last three years in the *Montgomery Advertiser’s* Readers’ Choice Awards.

Accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools, AUM offers more than 90 undergraduate and graduate degree programs and certifications. Students can join us on our verdant, 500-acre campus, learn at their convenience in an online setting or experience a blend of both through hybrid course delivery.