



Analysis of Auburn Montgomery and Comparable Regional Universities 2018 U.S. News & World Report "Best Regional Universities"

Alabama Regional University Comparisons													
Institution	Regional University Rank 2018 (2017 Rank)	Top Public Regional Universities Rank 2018 (2017 Rank)	Overall score 2018 (2017 score)	Peer assessment score 2018 (5.0=highest) (2017 score)	Average Freshmen Retention Rate 2018 (2017 Rate)	Actual Graduation Rate 2018 (2017 Rate)	% of classes under 20 2018 (2017)	% of classes over 50 2018 (2017)	Student-faculty ratio 2018 (2017 ratio)	SAT/ACT 25th-75th %ile 2018 (2017 %ile)	Freshmen in top 25% of HS class 2018 (2017)	Acceptance Rate 2018 (2017)	Average alumni giving rate 2018 (2017 rate)
Samford University	South 3(South 4)	<i>Private Institution</i>	89 (88)	3.8 (3.8)	88% (88%)	73% (74%)	61% (62%)	2% (1%)	12/1 (12/1)	23-29(23-29)	57% ⁵ (52 % ⁵)	91% (93%)	10% (9%)
Tuskegee University	South 27(South 24)	<i>Private Institution</i>	62 (64)	3.1 (3.0)	72% ⁸ (76%)	45% ⁶ (46%)	57% ⁴ (57%)	9% ⁴ (9%)	14/1 ⁴ (14/1)	18-23 ⁴ (18-23)	60% ⁴ (60%)	53% ⁴ (53%)	10% ⁴ (18%)
University of Montevallo*	South 38 tie (South 37)	13 tie (13 tie)	59 (56)	3.0 (3.0)	76% (77%)	50% (45%)	48% (48%)	1% (1%)	14/1 (16/1)	20-26 (20-26)	N/A (N/A)	65% (70%)	10% (13%)
University of North Alabama*	South 85 tie (South 87)	32 (34)	44 (41)	2.8 (2.8)	74% (72%)	43% (38%)	44% (44%)	4% (4%)	20/1 (21/1)	19-25 (19-25)	N/A (N/A)	52% (58%)	5% (5%)
Jacksonville State University*	South 89 tie (South 98 tie)	34 tie (41 tie)	41 (36)	2.8 (2.8)	74% (71%)	35% (31%)	42% (41%)	6% (6%)	18/1 (18/1)	20-26 ³ (20-26 ³)	41% (45%)	53% (67%)	8% (9%)
Troy University*	South 89 tie (South 69 tie)	34 (23)	41 (46)	2.9 (2.8)	71% ⁸ (70% ⁸)	39% (36% ⁵)	53% (60%)	6% (5%)	15/1 (14/1)	19-26 (19-26)	N/A (54% ⁴)	91% (92%)	N/A (7% ⁴)
Auburn University at Montgomery*	South 95 tie (South 2nd Tier)	37 tie (N/A)	40 (N/A)	2.9 (2.9)	65% (63%)	23% (22%)	48% (43%)	2% (1%)	14/1 (16/1)	19-24 (19-23)	44% (40%)	77% (79%)	3% (3%)
Faulkner University†	South 106 tie (South 2 nd Tier)	<i>Private Institution</i>	36 (N/A)	2.6 (2.6)	55% (56%)	30% (21%)	72% (74%)	1% (2%)	13/1 (15/1)	18-23 (18-24)	60% ⁵ (19% ⁴)	45% (57%)	2% (2%)
Amridge University†	South 106 tie (South 2 nd Tier)	<i>Private Institution</i>	36 (N/A)	2.0 (2.1)	N/A (N/A)	45% ⁵ (22% ⁵)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	10/1 ⁴ (10/1)	N/A (N/A ²)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)
Alabama A&M University*	South 2 nd Tier(South 102)	N/A (43 tie)	N/A (35)	2.5 (2.3)	60% ⁸ (65% ⁸)	27% (32% ⁸)	37% (N/A)	3% (N/A)	18/1 (21/1 ⁴)	16-19 (15-19 ⁴)	N/A (N/A)	88% (53% ⁴)	9% (9% ⁴)
Alabama State University*	South 2 nd Tier (South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	2.4 (2.3)	60% (60%)	22% (32%)	43% ⁴ (43%)	0.3% ⁴ (0.3%)	17/1 (16/1)	15-19 (15-23)	9% ⁵ (11% ⁵)	46% (48%)	4% (3%)
University of West Alabama*	South 2 nd Tier (South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	2.5 (2.5)	62% (60%)	29% (28%)	56% (53%)	3% (2%)	12/1 (13/1)	18-23 (18-23)	N/A (N/A)	53% (73%)	3% (4%)

Peers Identified for IPEDS Comparisons													
Institution	Regional University Rank 2018 (2017 Rank)	Top Public Regional Universities Rank 2018 (2017 Rank)	Overall score 2018 (2017 score)	Peer assessment score 2018 (5.0=highest) (2017 score)	Average Freshmen Retention Rate 2018 (2017 Rate)	Actual Graduation Rate 2018 (2017)	% of classes under 20 2018 (2017)	% of classes over 50 2018 (2017)	Student-faculty ratio 2018 (2017 ratio)	SAT/ACT 25th-75th %ile 2018 (2017 %ile)	Freshmen in top 25% of HS class 2018 (2017)	Acceptance Rate 2018 (2017)	Average alumni giving rate 2018 (2017 rate)
<i>University of Louisiana-Monroe (LA)* †</i>	N/A	‡National University	N/A (N/A)	2.1 (2.0)	72% (70%)	43% (39%)	36% (34%)	13% (16%)	N/A (N/A)	19-25 (20-25)	25% (22%)	86% (94%)	4% (4%)
Winthrop University (SC)*	South 25 (South 26)	8 (8)	65 (63)	3.3 (3.3)	75% (75%)	58% (55%)	47% (46%)	3% (3%)	14/1 (14/1)	20-25 (910-1130)	51% (51%)	69% (67%)	7% (7%)
Western Carolina University (NC)*	South 38 tie (South 37 tie)	13 tie (13 tie)	59 (56)	3.1 (3.0)	79% (78%)	56% (57%)	26% (28%)	5% (4%)	17/1 (16/1)	20-25 (20-24)	38% (38%)	41% (40%)	6% (6%)
Radford University (VA)*	South 43 tie (South 47 tie)	15 tie (16 tie)	56 (53)	3.1 (3.0)	76% (76%)	58% (59%)	35% (31%)	9% (10%)	16/1 (17/1)	860-1050 ² (890-1050 ²)	22% (18%)	81% (83%)	4% (4%)
University of Tennessee-Martin (TN)*	South 46 tie (South 47 tie)	17 tie (16 tie)	55 (53)	2.8 (2.8)	73% (73%)	50% (46%)	61% (60%)	3% (4%)	15/1 (16/1)	20-25 (20-25)	48% (46%)	67% (70%)	7% (7%)
Austin Peay State University (TN)*	South 73 tie (South 79 tie)	27 tie (29 tie)	47 (44)	3.0 (2.9)	69% (69%)	40% (38%)	50% (52%)	5% (4%)	18/1 (18/1)	19-24 ² (19-24 ²)	37% (34%)	89% (88%)	3% (4%)
University of North Alabama (AL)*	South 85 tie (South 87)	32 (34)	44 (41)	2.8 (2.8)	74% (72%)	43% (38%)	44% (44%)	4% (4%)	20/1 (21/1)	19-25 (19-25)	N/A (N/A)	52% (58%)	5% (5%)
Jacksonville State University (AL)*	South 89 tie (South 98 tie)	34 tie (41 tie)	41 (36)	2.8 (2.8)	74% (71%)	35% (31%)	42% (41%)	6% (6%)	18/1 (18/1)	20-26 ³ (20-26 ³)	41% (45%)	53% (67%)	8% (9%)
Auburn University at Montgomery*	South 95 tie (South 2nd Tier)	37 tie (N/A)	40 (N/A)	2.9 (2.9)	65% (63%)	23% (22%)	48% (43%)	2% (1%)	14/1 (16/1)	19-24 (19-23)	44% (40%)	77% (79%)	3% (3%)
McNeese State University (LA)*	South 104 tie (South 98 tie)	43 tie (41 tie)	37 (36)	2.6 (2.6)	68% (69%)	41% (41%)	44% (44%)	8% (9%)	21/1 (20/1)	20-24 (20-24)	44% (41%)	65% (82%)	6% (7%)
Columbus State University (GA)*	South 106 tie (South 105 tie)	45 tie (46)	36 (34)	2.6 (2.6)	72% (70%)	31% (31%)	47% (46%)	5% (5%)	17/1 (18/1)	860-1090 (850-1090)	34% (36%)	53% (56%)	3% (3%)
Winston-Salem St. University (NC)* ¹	South 106 tie (South 91 tie)	45 tie (37 tie)	36 (39)	2.5 (2.5)	78% ⁸ (79% ⁸)	46% ⁵ (44% ⁵)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	14/1 ⁴ (14/1 ⁴)	810-930 ⁴ (800-930 ⁴)	N/A (N/A)	59% ⁴ (60% ⁴)	N/A (7% ⁷)
Armstrong State University (GA)*	South 2 nd Tier(South 2 nd Tier)	N/A (N/A)	N/A (N/A)	2.5 (2.5)	71% (69%)	31% (33%)	45% (41%)	3% (3%)	17/1 (18/1)	890-1080 (910-1080)	N/A (N/A)	79% (74%)	5% (5%)
Northwestern 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)	70% ⁸ (69% ⁸)	41% (37% ⁵)	50% (N/A)	5% (N/A)	20/1 (20/1 ⁴)	19-24 (880-1100 ⁴)	42% (N/A)	58% (73% ⁴)	N/A (N/A)

‡=2nd Tier National University; †=School's Carnegie classification changed in Fall 2017. It appeared in a different U.S. News ranking category last year.; *= Public School; N/A= not available; 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.