Alfred University's MFA in ceramic art tops in nation

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U.S. News and World Report has again ranked the Master of Fine Arts program in ceramic art at Alfred University tops in the nation as it has every time it has ranked graduate programs in fine arts.

In its 2014 edition of "Best Graduate Schools," *U.S. News* says the Alfred program is number one in ceramic art, followed by Cranbrook Academy of Art and Rhode Island School of Design.

"Our Master of Fine Arts program has a longstanding and well-deserved reputation for quality. We appreciate *U.S. News and World Report&s* recognition, but the real story should be the generations of excellence sustained by the faculty and students of the School of Art and Design," said Charles M. Edmondson, president of Alfred University.

"We are thrilled to have the strength and innovation of our programs recognized by *U.S. News and World Report*, said Leslie Bellavance, dean of the School of Art & Design. "It is a credit to our students and our faculty."

The School of Art & Design at Alfred University has offered a Master of Fine Arts degree in ceramic arts since 1943. Other MFA programs include sculpture and dimensional studies, and electronic integrated arts.