

Alfred University Ranked 13th by U.S. News & World Report

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Alfred, NY - Alfred University was cited among the top regional universities in U.S. News and World Report's annual ranking of colleges and universities, released today. Alfred University was ranked 13th in the North Region, marking the 11th straight year that it has garnered a Top 15 rating in the survey. The survey evaluated 504 regional universities for its 1999 rankings. The complete ratings are contained in the 1999 edition of the "America's Best Colleges" guidebook with excerpts from the guide appearing in the Aug. 31 issue of U.S. News. Both publications will be available at newsstands on Monday, Aug. 24. The magazine also released results of its annual "Best Values" rankings, in which Alfred University was ranked second in the North Region for the second straight year. "We are very pleased that the U.S. News survey continues to recognize the outstanding quality of an Alfred University Education," said University Provost W. Richard Ott. "It is also rewarding that Alfred University is listed as the No. 2 best buy in the North Region. We feel it accurately reflects the tremendous effort our faculty and staff have made to provide value for our students' educational dollar. "U.S. News polls college and university administrators in several categories which it calls "indicators of excellence" to determine its rankings. Indicators include retention rates, faculty resources, student selectivity, financial aid resources and giving by alumni and alumnae. The "Best Value" rating is determined by relating the academic quality of an institution to its discounted price (tuition, room and board, plus fees, minus the average of need-based grants issued as part of students' (financial aid packages). The "Best Value" issue of U.S. News is slated to hit newsstands on Sept. 7.