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University of Miami leads U.S. News rankings in Florida, despite drop

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The [University of Miami](#) once again earned the top ranking among Florida colleges in the annual *U.S. News & World Report* ranking of the Best Colleges 2013, although it slipped six places.

UM ranked No. 44 (tied with the University of California – Irvine) in the [rankings released on Wednesday](#). That's down from No. 38 last year.

The [University of Florida](#) was the top public university in the Sunshine State with a ranking at No. 54, up from No. 58 a year ago. It was followed by Florida State University at No. 97, up from No. 101.

The top national universities were [Harvard University](#) (No. 1), Princeton University (No. 2) and Yale University (No. 3).

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- St. Thomas University ranked No. 56 among regional colleges in the South.
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Florida Atlantic University, Florida International University, Nova Southeastern University and Lynn University did not earn rankings in the national university category.

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