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COLLEGE TOWNS

An objective look at 12 key criteria that enrich a college learning experience

10 College Station | Bryan | TX

POPULATION: 233,135

THE top 20 COLLEGE TOWNS

Metropolitan Statistical Areas with under 250,000 residents[1]

1 Ithaca, NY
2 Ames, IA
3 Corvallis, OR
4 Iowa City, IA
5 State College, PA
6 Fargo, ND-MN
7 Champaign-Urbana, IL
8 Columbia, MO
9 Missoula, MT
10 College Station-Bryan, TX
11 Charlottesville, VA
12 Lafayette, IN
13 Lawrence, KS
14 Fairbanks, AK
15 Bloomington, IN
16 Morgantown, WV
17 Grand Forks, ND-MN
18 Binghamton, NY
19 Mankato-North Mankato, MN
20 Logan, UT-ID

Colleges & Universities

A sampling of nearby colleges and universities

Texas A & M University-College Station
Texas A&M Health Science Center

RANK	STUDENT LIFE			CULTURE			ECONOMIC HEALTH			OPPORTUNITY		
Overall Rank	**Student Concentration** College students per 1,000 residents[1]	**Cost of Housing** Fair market rent of a 2-bedroom apartment[2]	**City Accessibility** Percentage of workers that bike, walk, or take public transportation[1]	**Arts & Leisure** Concentration of arts, entertainment, and recreation establishments[3]	**International Students** Percentage of students that are foreign born[4]	**Innovation Producers** Percentage of workers in innovative fields[5]	**Unemployment Rate** Percentage of labor force unemployed[6]	**Entrepreneurial Activity** Net change in businesses per 100,000 residents (3-year average)[7]	**Brain Drain or Gain** Annual change in share of population with college degrees[1]	**R&D per Student** Academic R&D per student[8]	**College Educated** Percentage of the population with a college degree[1]	**Earning Potential** Median earnings[1]
10	5 235.9	16 $868	11 8.4%	20 25.0	10 8.7%	7 7.9%	11 5.1%	8 -7.0	6 1.09	4 $14,112	12 35.7%	16 $20,047

[1]U.S. Census, 2012. [2]U.S. Dept. of HUD, 2014. [3]U.S. Economic Census, 2011. [4]IPEDS, 2012. [5]BLS OES, 2013. [6]BLS, 2013 average. [7]U.S. Small Business Administration, 2011. [8]National Science Foundation, 2012.