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TCU best value ranking moves up as *U.S. News* rankings recalculated

THE RECENT ANNOUNCEMENT THAT TCU earned a spot on the *U.S. News & World Report* best college value rankings got even better last week. According to the magazine, after the *U.S. News' America's Best Colleges* guidebook went to press in early August, two schools—Clarkson University in New York and Whitworth College in Washington—informed *U.S. News* that they had provided erroneous financial aid data. The

magazine recalculated the best value rankings with the corrected data and, as a result of the recalculation, Clarkson, which initially ranked third among national universities, fell to 37th and Whitworth, which ranked first among regional universities in the West, dropped to 11th. The recalculation also caused an upward shift of TCU and several other schools. We thought you'd like to see the revised rankings in their entirety:

School	% receiving need-based grants	Resulting avg. cost	Avg. discount
1. Pepperdine University (CA)	78%	\$10,232	64%
2. Rice University (TX)	35%	\$11,449	44%
3. University of Rochester (NY)	68%	\$13,984	51%
4. Stanford University (CA)	42%	\$14,800	52%
5. Illinois Institute of Technology	68%	\$11,425	51%
5. Northwestern University (IL)	46%	\$14,818	44%
5. Tulane University (LA)	47%	\$13,258	54%
8. Case Western Reserve Univ (OH)	68%	\$14,599	40%
8. Dartmouth College (NH)	40%	\$15,035	51%
8. Princeton University (NJ)	43%	\$16,055	48%
8. U of North Carolina—Chapel Hill	30%	\$11,859	30%
8. University of Virginia	24%	\$12,358	39%
13. Massachusetts Inst of Tech.	54%	\$16,990	45%
13. University of Chicago	53%	\$16,137	46%
13. Yale University (CT)	39%	\$15,929	50%
16. Cornell University (NY)	45%	\$15,774	47%
16. Harvard University (MA)	49%	\$17,038	46%
16. Washington University (MO)	50%	\$16,086	44%
19. Carnegie Mellon University (PA)	62%	\$16,575	40%
20. California Institute of Technology	66%	\$18,145	35%
20. Columbia University (NY)	44%	\$16,587	45%
20. Johns Hopkins University (MD)	38%	\$15,770	47%
23. Clark University (MA)	61%	\$14,092	45%
23. Emory University (GA)	39%	\$16,083	43%
25. Duke University (NC)	35%	\$16,812	44%
26. Lehigh University (PA)	52%	\$15,714	45%
26. Syracuse University (NY)	57%	\$15,502	42%
26. TCU	67%	\$11,293	34%
26. University of Pennsylvania	41%	\$17,255	44%
30. Rensselaer Polytechnic Inst (NY)	68%	\$16,406	41%
30. Tufts University (MA)	34%	\$15,777	48%
32. Univ of Southern California	47%	\$15,195	48%
33. Fordham University (NY)	73%	\$16,297	37%
33. Vanderbilt University (TN)	32%	\$16,683	44%
35. University of Notre Dame (IN)	30%	\$16,056	38%
35. Worcester Polytechnic Inst (MA)	76%	\$17,818	30%
37. Brown University (RI)	37%	\$18,364	41%
37. Clarkson University (NY)	80%	\$15,850	39%
39. Florida State University	17%	\$9,672	29%
39. Georgetown University (DC)	37%	\$18,136	40%
41. Colorado School of Mines	65%	\$14,400	29%
41. University of Connecticut	70%	\$16,611	21%
41. Univ of Nebraska—Lincoln	33%	\$8,831	28%
44. University of Pittsburgh	50%	\$12,894	32%
44. Univ of Wisconsin—Madison	7%	\$12,340	28%
46. Baylor University (TX)	39%	\$11,643	23%
46. Texas A&M Univ—College Station	20%	\$11,586	26%
48. College of William and Mary (VA)	44%	\$17,166	19%
48. Marquette University (WI)	60%	\$16,177	28%
48. New York University	57%	\$20,938	30%

U.S. News says only the top quarter of regional institutions and the top half of national institutions in the *U.S. News* quality rankings are considered as potential best values because *U.S. News* believes that the best values are found among colleges that are above average academically.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are "best values"?

These are schools that are above average academically and cost considerably less than many other schools when the financial aid, in the form of need based grants, they dispense is taken into account.

How are the best value rankings determined?

These rankings are based on three variables:

1. The ratio of quality to price. A school's quality ranking—its overall score in the America's Best Colleges survey—was divided by the costs to an average student receiving a grant meeting his or her need. The higher the ratio of quality rank to the discounted costs, the better the value.

2. Percent of all undergraduates receiving grants meeting financial aid during the 1996-97 academic year.

3. The percent of a school's total costs covered by the average need-based grant to undergraduates.

What does discount price mean?

It's the amount a student and his or her family actually pays after receiving grants based on need. ♦

EVENTS

Now-Sept. 26

15th annual *Art in the Metroplex* exhibition featuring original works by local artists, Moudy Building exhibition hall. Free. ***

Sept. 8-12

Hispanic Heritage Month event — Mariu Suarez art display, Student Center lounge. Free. Call ext. 5233 for more information.

Sept. 8

Men's soccer — TCU vs. East Texas Baptist, 5 p.m., TCU soccer field. **

Faculty string bass recital featuring Nicholas Scales, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free. *

Sept. 10

Art History program featuring Anne Helmreich speaking on "Behind the Veil: Studying Works of Art in Context," noon, Moudy Building 132N. Free. ***

Men's soccer — TCU vs. University of Texas at Dallas, 4 p.m., TCU soccer field. **

Sept. 11

"State of the University" Day — Fall Convocation featuring Chancellor Tucker presenting a special address, "TCU Update: The State of the University," 11 a.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Open to all. Followed by a "Celebration on the Lawn" in front of Reed Hall featuring party tents, refreshments and music by the Jazz Ensemble.

The TCU Performance Series at the Contemporary featuring soprano Ava Mason and pianist Kate Stevens, noon, Gainsco Building, 500 Commerce St. Free. Call ext. 7603 for more information.

Sept. 12

Hispanic Heritage Month event — Artist Mariu Suarez will discuss her inspiration for and the medium of her work, 11 a.m. to noon, Student Center lounge. Free. Call ext. 5233 for more information.

Downtown Pep Rally, noon, Sundance Square on Main Street, between 3rd and 4th streets.

Frogfest '97 — Fort Worth Stockyards Rodeo Plaza -Pep Rally featuring Chancellor Tucker, Horned Frog Band, Superfrog, Cheerleaders, Pat Sullivan and Stockyards "Mayor" Steve Murrin begins at 8 p.m. followed by country music beginning at 9 p.m. Event is free and open to the public.

Programming Council Film: *Braveheart*, 9 p.m., Student Center ballroom. Free.

Sept. 13

VolleyFrogs — TCU vs. North Texas, 4 p.m., Rickel Building. **

Frog Alley featuring a fireworks extravaganza, face painters, jugglers and the Kalimbe Band, 6-8 p.m. in front of Amon G. Carter Stadium.

Horned Frog Football — TCU vs. Utah, 8 p.m., Amon G. Carter Stadium. Televised on ESPN2. **

Sept. 15

University Ministries brown-bag lunch series featuring Bronson Davis (advancement), noon Student Center 218. Open to all. Call ext. 7830 for further information.

Lectureship recital featuring baritone Bruce Abel, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free. *

*Call the music department at ext. 7602 for more information.

**Call the ticket office at ext. 7967 for more information.

***Call art and art history at ext. 7643 for more information.

Fall Convocation opens "State of the University" Day with color, tradition

CLASSES WILL BE DISMISSED FROM 10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. Thursday to allow faculty and students to attend Fall Convocation at 11 a.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium. A procession in academic regalia will form in front of Ed Landreth at 10:45 a.m.

Faculty and eligible University staff planning to participate in the academic procession should return their response forms to Special Events, Box 297070 by tomorrow. Anantha Babbili is chief marshal of the procession.

Departing from a past tradition of guest speakers at Convocation, Chancellor Tucker will deliver a "State of the University" address.

"State of the University Day" continues at noon with a campus-wide outdoor "Celebration on the Lawn" in front of Reed Hall. The event offers an opportunity for faculty, students and all staff members to kick off TCU's 125th year together in an informal, festive atmosphere. In the event of rain, the celebration will be moved to the Student Center ballroom. ♦

Frog Alley back for another year

FOOTBALL SEASON AT TCU just wouldn't be the same without the ever-popular Frog Alley. This year the festivities get underway Saturday as the Kalimbe Band, face painters, jugglers and more come out to provide fun and games for TCU's home opener against the Utah Utes.

This year will also see a new feature, "Cowtown Heroes," introduced. During the halftime portion of all TCU home games, except homecoming, the Committee of 100 will honor an individual for a lifetime of accomplishments and devotion to the community. They all will receive a silver belt buckle and framed football jersey. This season's honorees are nationally-known cardiologist and former Texas Rangers and American League president Dr. Bobby Brown (Utah game), three-time Indianapolis 500 winner Johnny Rutherford (North Carolina game), NFL hall of famer Yale Lary (Tulsa game) and astronaut Alan Bean, the fourth man to walk on the moon (SMU game).

If you haven't purchased your season tickets, it's not too late. Call the ticket office at ext. 7967. Then start your football weekend off right with the "Paint the Town Purple" activities...Downtown Pep Rally at noon Friday and FrogFest '97 Friday night at the Stockyards. ♦

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German bass-baritone here for residency

THE DEPARTMENT OF MUSIC WILL HOST a three-day residency by bass-baritone Bruce Abel of Stuttgart, Germany Sept. 15-17. The voice professor is known as a performer of baroque, romantic and contemporary music and has spent several years with the Aachen Opera.

He will present a recital featuring Schubert and Brahms at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 15 in Ed Landreth Auditorium. On Sept. 16, Abel will conduct a voice master class from 3 to 6 p.m. in Room 103 of Ed Landreth Hall. During an open forum at 4 p.m. Sept. 17 in the Ed Landreth reception room, Abel will meet with students to discuss opportunities for study and performance in Germany. ♦

Global Rhythm Tour to have campus drumming

PROGRAMMING COUNCIL'S Forums Committee presents The Global Rhythm Tour from 7-8:30 p.m. Sept. 17 in the Student Center ballroom. The event is free and open to the public.

Led by nationally-renowned community drum circle facilitator Arthur Hull, attendees will gain hands-on experience generating rhythms from Africa, the Caribbean and many other countries.

"The Global Rhythm Tour brings a spirit of community and sharing, discovered through the roar and rhythm of hundreds of beating drums," according to program coordinator Phyllis Bodie (Campus Life).

"The event is a fusion of dance, drums, voice and human spirit that develops teamwork, cooperation, communication and community building skills," says Phyllis. "It is a fun-filled activity for the entire family."

Hull will provide 300 hand drums for those attending, and participants are encouraged to bring their own percussion toys or instruments. Organizers ask that you do not bring snare drums. No previous musical experience is necessary.

For more information, contact the Student Center Information Desk at ext. 7927. ♦

Campus to receive award from FW Garden Club

TCU WILL BE PRESENTED WITH A "Fort Worth Beautiful" award during a luncheon at noon Oct. 23 at Colonial Country Club. The annual environmental awards event is co-hosted by Fort Worth Clean City, Inc., Fort Worth Star-Telegram, Fort Worth Garden Club and Tarrant County Corporate Recycling Council.

The campus award is one of four being given this year by the Fort Worth Garden Club.

On the day before the luncheon, the Star-Telegram will publish a special insert section on the awards, with a photo and info on TCU landscaping included. ♦

Design students help Berry St. business

THE DEPARTMENT OF DESIGN, Merchandising and Textiles will conduct a "Design Charrette" from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in Room 303 of the Bass Building. Students will present their design proposals to the public at 4 p.m.

Nearly 50 TCU design students will team with up to 10 professional interior designers to form design proposals for Kubes Jewelers at 2700 W. Berry St. The resulting design drawings will be presented to the building and business owners and representatives from the Berry Street Initiative.

Other projects on Berry Street include the Fort Worth Police storefront station and the new TCU Bookstore. The charrette gives TCU students a chance to contribute their talents to the revitalization of the Berry business district and community. ♦

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: Danish teak dining room set from Bova of Dallas. Includes 40-inch round pedestal table which converts to 57 & 1/2 inch oval with contained butterfly leaf, four solid teak curved back chairs with ecru cotton upholstered seats, a 31 & 1/2 x 15 & 1/2 x 78 and 1/2 inch china cabinet with lighted glass display and adjustable glass shelves. All are like new. Paid \$4,000 and will sell for \$2,800 cash. Call (817) 534-3096.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The human resources office lists the following vacancies as of Sept. 3. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Chancellor — Chancellor's Office
Coordinator, Neeley Student Resource Center — Neeley School of Business
Acquisitions Librarian — MCB Library
Admissions Information Services Manager — Admissions
Assistant Director of Facility Services — Facility Services
Systems Analyst — Information Services
Programmer Analyst — Information Services
Annual Fund Officer — Advancement
Manager of Printing Services — Printing Services
Director, Facilities Planning — Physical Plant
Director of Teacher Certification — School of Education
Administrative Assistant I — Men's Basketball
Administrative Assistant I (88%) — Starpoint School Library
Library Assistant II (80%) — MCB Library
Library Stacks Assistant — MCB Library
Stewardship (Events) Specialist — Advancement
Data Entry Operator — Admissions
Office Assistant — Tennis Center
Computer Support Specialist II — Technical Services
Administrative Program Specialist — Annual Giving
Administrative Program Specialist — Admissions
Craft Tech Supervisor I/HVAC — Physical Plant
Craft Tech Supervisor II/Plumber — Physical Plant
Craft Tech I/HVAC — Physical Plant
Craft Tech II/HVAC — Physical Plant
Craft Tech II/General Maintenance — Physical Plant
Service Assistant III — Facility Services
Service Assistant I — Facility Services
Service Assistant II — Residential Services