

1995 National Research Council Report on QUALITY IN PH.D. EDUCATION IN THE U.S.

In the most recent National Research Council (NRC) study, 35 of Berkeley's 36 graduate programs ranked in the top 10 in their fields in terms of faculty competence and achievement.

The NRC study is recognized by academics, higher education policymakers, and research foundations as the most reliable and comprehensive measure of university doctoral programs in the United States. The latest report, prepared by the Council's Committee for the Study of Research-Doctorate Programs in the United States, is 740 pages long; it compared 3,634 areas of study in 41 fields at 274 universities, public and private. The study considered the views of nearly 8,000 distinguished faculty members nationwide and used multiple criteria to assess the quality of doctoral programs. Faculty achievements, research, and publications were evaluated, for example, as well as each institution's effectiveness in educating future scholars and scientists.

National Rankings by Department

Anthropology

1. Michigan
1. Chicago
- 3. Berkeley**
4. Harvard
5. Arizona
6. Penn
7. Stanford
8. Yale
8. UCLA
8. UC San Diego

Art History

1. Columbia
2. NYU
- 3. Berkeley**
4. Harvard
5. Yale
6. Princeton
7. Johns Hopkins
8. Northwestern
9. Penn
10. Chicago

Astrophysics/ Astronomy

1. Caltech
2. Princeton
- 3. Berkeley**
4. Harvard
5. Chicago
6. UC Santa Cruz
7. Arizona
8. MIT
9. Cornell
10. Texas (Austin)

Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

1. UCSF
2. MIT
2. Stanford
- 4. Berkeley**
5. Harvard
6. Yale
7. Caltech
8. Wisconsin
9. UC San Diego
10. Johns Hopkins
10. Columbia

Biomedical Engineering

1. MIT
2. UC San Diego
3. Washington
4. Duke
5. Penn
6. Johns Hopkins
7. UCSF
- 8. Berkeley**
9. Utah
10. Rice

Cell and Developmental Biology

1. MIT
2. Rockefeller
3. UCSF
4. Caltech
5. Harvard
6. Stanford
7. UC San Diego
8. Washington
9. Washington University
10. Yale
- 13. Berkeley**

Chemical Engineering

1. Minnesota
2. MIT
- 3. Berkeley**
4. Wisconsin
5. Illinois
6. Caltech
7. Stanford
8. Delaware
9. Princeton
10. Texas (Austin)

Chemistry

- 1. Berkeley**
2. Caltech
3. Harvard
3. Stanford
5. MIT
6. Cornell
7. Columbia
8. Illinois
9. Wisconsin
9. Chicago
9. UCLA

Civil Engineering

1. MIT
- 2. Berkeley**
3. Stanford
4. Texas (Austin)
5. Illinois
6. Cornell
7. Caltech
8. Princeton
9. Northwestern
10. Michigan

Classics

1. Harvard
- 2. Berkeley**
3. Michigan
4. Princeton
5. Yale
6. Brown
7. Chicago
8. Texas (Austin)
9. UCLA
10. Columbia

Comparative Literature

1. Yale
2. Duke
3. Columbia
4. Harvard
5. Princeton
6. Cornell
7. Johns Hopkins
8. UC Irvine
9. Stanford
- 10. Berkeley**

Computer Science

1. Stanford
2. MIT
- 3. Berkeley**
4. Carnegie Mellon
5. Cornell
6. Princeton
7. Texas (Austin)
8. Illinois
9. Washington
10. Wisconsin

Ecology, Evolution, and Behavior

1. Stanford
2. Chicago
3. Duke
4. Cornell
5. UC Davis
6. Princeton
7. Washington
- 8. Berkeley**
9. Wisconsin
10. Stony Brook
10. Texas (Austin)

Economics

1. Chicago
2. Harvard
3. MIT
4. Stanford
5. Princeton
6. Yale
- 7. Berkeley**
8. Penn
9. Northwestern
10. Minnesota

Electrical Engineering

1. Stanford
2. MIT
3. Illinois
- 4. Berkeley**
5. Caltech
6. Michigan
7. Cornell
8. Purdue
9. Princeton
10. USC
10. UCLA

English

- 1. Berkeley**
1. Yale
1. Harvard
4. Virginia
5. Stanford
7. Cornell
8. Penn
8. Columbia
10. Chicago

French

1. Yale
2. Princeton
3. Duke
4. Columbia
5. Penn
6. Stanford
- 7. Berkeley**
8. Cornell
9. Michigan
10. UC Irvine

Geography

1. Penn State
2. Wisconsin
3. Minnesota
4. UCSB
5. Ohio State
- 6. Berkeley**
6. Syracuse
8. UCLA
9. Clark
10. Washington

Geosciences

1. Caltech
2. MIT
- 3. Berkeley**
4. Columbia
5. Stanford
6. UC San Diego
7. Chicago
8. Harvard
9. Stanford
10. Cornell

German

- 1. Berkeley**
2. Princeton
3. Cornell
4. Harvard
5. Yale
6. Stanford
7. Washington University
8. Virginia
9. Johns Hopkins
10. Wisconsin

History

1. Yale
2. **Berkeley**
3. Princeton
4. Harvard
5. Columbia
6. UCLA
7. Stanford
8. Chicago
9. Johns Hopkins
10. Wisconsin

Industrial Engineering

1. Georgia Tech
2. **Berkeley**
3. Purdue
4. Michigan
5. Texas A&M
6. Northwestern
7. Stanford
8. Virginia Poly
9. Penn State
10. Wisconsin

Linguistics

1. MIT
2. Stanford
3. UCLA
4. UMass (Amherst)
5. Penn
6. **Berkeley**
6. Chicago
8. Ohio State
9. Cornell
10. UC Santa Cruz

Materials Science

1. MIT
2. Northwestern
3. Cornell
4. **Berkeley**
5. Illinois
6. Stanford
7. UMass (Amherst)
8. UCSB
9. Penn State
10. Penn

Mathematics

1. **Berkeley**
1. Princeton
3. MIT
4. Harvard
5. Chicago
6. Stanford
7. Yale
8. NYU
9. Michigan
9. Columbia

Mechanical Engineering

1. Stanford
2. MIT
3. **Berkeley**
4. Caltech
5. Michigan
6. Princeton
7. Cornell
8. Minnesota
9. Illinois
10. UC San Diego
10. Purdue

Molecular/General Genetics

1. MIT
2. UCSF
3. Harvard
4. Caltech
5. Stanford
6. UC San Diego
7. Wisconsin
8. Yale
9. Johns Hopkins
10. **Berkeley**

Music

1. Harvard
2. Chicago
3. **Berkeley**
4. CUNY
5. Yale
6. Princeton
7. Penn
8. Rochester
9. Michigan
10. Illinois

Neurosciences

1. UC San Diego
2. Yale
3. Harvard
4. UCSF
5. Stanford
6. Columbia
7. Johns Hopkins
8. Washington University
9. **Berkeley**
10. Caltech
10. Penn

Philosophy

1. Princeton
2. Pittsburgh
3. Harvard
4. **Berkeley**
5. Pittsburgh (Hist/Phil of Sci)
6. UCLA
7. Stanford
8. Michigan
9. Cornell
10. MIT

Physics

1. Harvard
2. Princeton
3. **Berkeley**
3. MIT
5. Caltech
6. Cornell
7. Chicago
8. Illinois
9. Stanford
10. UCSB

Political Science

1. Harvard
2. **Berkeley**
3. Yale
4. Michigan
5. Stanford
6. Chicago
7. Princeton
8. UCLA
9. UC San Diego
10. Wisconsin

Psychology

1. Stanford
2. Michigan
3. Yale
4. UCLA
5. Illinois
6. Harvard
7. Minnesota
8. Penn
9. **Berkeley**
10. UC San Diego

Sociology

1. Chicago
2. Wisconsin
3. **Berkeley**
4. Michigan
5. UCLA
6. North Carolina
7. Harvard
8. Stanford
9. Northwestern
10. Washington

Spanish and Portuguese

1. Columbia
2. Duke
3. Brown
4. Princeton
5. Virginia
6. Penn
7. Wisconsin
8. Cornell
9. **Berkeley**
10. Harvard

Statistics/Biostatistics

1. **Berkeley** (Stat)
1. Stanford
3. **Berkeley** (Biostat)
4. Cornell
5. Chicago
6. Washington (Biostat)
7. Harvard
8. Wisconsin
9. Washington (Stat)
10. Purdue

Ranking of Program Faculty

Arts and Humanities

1. **Berkeley**
2. Princeton
3. Harvard
4. Columbia
5. Yale
5. Cornell

Physical Sciences and Mathematics

1. **Berkeley**
2. MIT
4. Caltech
4. Harvard
4. Princeton
6. Cornell

Biological Sciences

1. UCSF
2. MIT
2. UCSD
4. Stanford
4. Yale
4. Harvard
7. **Berkeley**

Social and Behavioral Sciences

1. Harvard
2. Chicago
3. **Berkeley**
3. Michigan
5. Stanford

Engineering

1. MIT
2. **Berkeley**
3. Caltech
4. Stanford
5. Cornell

Universities with Highest Number of Programs in the Top 10

1. Berkeley	35
2. Stanford	31
3. Harvard	26
4. Princeton	22
5. MIT	20
6. Cornell	19
6. Yale	19
7. Chicago	18
8. Penn	15
10. UC San Diego	14
10. Columbia	14
10. Michigan	14
10. Wisconsin	14

Universities with Highest Number of "Distinguished" Programs

1. Berkeley	32
2. Stanford	28
3. Harvard	25
4. Princeton	24
5. MIT	20
6. Cornell	19
6. Yale	19
8. Columbia	18
9. Michigan	15
10. Caltech	14
10. UC San Diego	14
10. Penn	14
10. UCLA	14