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Xavier University of Louisiana Ranked #2 HBCU in Nation on College Consensus

New Orleans LA – [College Consensus](#), a unique college ratings website that aggregates publisher rankings and student reviews, ranks Xavier University of Louisiana as the nation's #2 HBCU (Historically Black Colleges and Universities) in its newly released publication, [Best HBCUs for 2018](#).

To identify the Best HBCUs for 2018, College Consensus combined the latest results from the most respected college rankings with thousands of real student reviews to produce a unique consensus score for each school.

According to College Consensus founder Jeremy Alder, "College Consensus gathers the publisher rankings and student reviews from around the web and distills the results into simple, easy to understand scores so students can quickly and easily compare schools. It is the ranking of all rankings, so to speak."

To help prospective college students and their families evaluate the educational options open to them, College Consensus has identified the best Historically Black Colleges and Universities, according to the combination of published rankings and student reviews. Learn more about the College Consensus rankings methodology at <https://www.collegeconsensus.com/about>.

The top 10, in ranking order, are:

1. Spelman College - Atlanta, GA
2. Xavier University of Louisiana - New Orleans, LA
3. Hampton University - Hampton, VA
4. Howard University - Washington, DC
5. Morehouse College - Atlanta, GA
6. Oakwood University - Huntsville, AL
7. Alcorn State University - Alcorn, MS
8. Tuskegee University - Tuskegee, AL
9. North Carolina Central University - Durham, NC
10. Fisk University - Nashville, TN

Carrie Sealey-Morris, managing editor of College Consensus, said that while only majority-black institutions founded before 1964 qualify as HBCUs, the schools are anything but historical; but in fact, are vibrant, diverse, and innovative communities.

According to the site, the Consensus Best HBCU rankings highlights institutions that define “black excellence” and includes every kind of HBCU: from public research universities making advancements in areas ranging from medicine to agriculture to elite liberal arts colleges, preparing students for graduate study and professional careers.

It goes on to say that no matter what their category, HBCUs all share a common mission - creating a space for minority students to feel supported, empowered, and motivated to reach their full potential.

Sealey-Morris said College Consensus is a new approach to college rankings, combining the latest results from the most respected college ranking systems with thousands of real student review scores from around the web to produce an aggregate College Consensus rating for each school.

“Students will not find a more comprehensive ranking of the top colleges and universities anywhere,” she said. “For college-bound students who are interested in HBCUs – whether they are looking for a supportive and inclusive community, a challenging and uplifting academic environment, or the networking opportunities of the legendarily loyal HBCU alumni – the College Consensus ranking provides direction.

About Xavier University of Louisiana

XULA students *Leave Ready* to serve, lead, and care for their communities. For more information about Xavier University of Louisiana visit us online at www.xula.edu or follow us on Facebook, YouTube, or Twitter @XULA1925. Take a moment to learn more about how Xavier is preparing students for the future at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=sD4mb-jYZC8>.

Once again, Xavier University of Louisiana received national accolades as one of the best universities in the country. Most notably, XULA is ranked as the best value among southern regional colleges and universities in the 2018 edition of “Best Colleges” by the U.S. News Media Group. Xavier also ranked No.1 in its grouping, heading the list of only 15 schools that qualified for the Southern Region category listed under “Great Schools, Great Prices.”

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