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FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
RISES IN U.S. NEWS & WORLD REPORT ANNUAL RANKING OF TOP SCHOOLS
- Business school moves up to seventh place in the national rankings -

MIAMI, Aug. 22, 2005 – Florida International University (FIU) College of Business Administration today announced it has moved up two spots on U.S. News and World Report’s ranking of business schools at colleges and universities across the nation. Widely recognized for its international business programs, the College of Business Administration now ranks at number seven, compared to last year’s standing at number nine, in undergraduate programs with a focus on international business.

U.S. News and World Report’s annual ranking, America’s Best Colleges, is considered a key reference tool for students and families evaluating top-quality collegiate programs.

“A committed student body, talented faculty, and dedicated staff have made the College of Business Administration what it is today, and we are thrilled to have raised the bar this year,” said FIU President Modesto A. Maidique. “We pride ourselves on the quality and recognition of our international business program which combines the academic tools and services of the University with an ideal, diverse location like Miami --- a truly global business and cultural crossroad.”

FIU’s ranking among the nation’s top-10 undergraduate programs in international business places the school in the company of: the University of South Carolina-Columbia, New York University, the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of California-Berkeley, the University of Southern California and the University of Texas-Austin.

“Being a part of U.S. News’ highly regarded and widely-read ranking of top-notch business schools around the country reinforces the pride our faculty, students, and community feel,” said Joyce Elam, dean of the FIU College of Business Administration. “As we look toward the future of business education at FIU, our strength in educating students and providing corporations and small businesses with a pool of talented, grounded, and well-rounded employees will continue to be undeniable.”

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About Florida International University College of Business Administration
Florida International University College of Business Administration, South Florida’s leading business school with unique expertise in international business, entrepreneurship, and information technology (IT) strategy, is the largest of the University’s professional schools. Among the College’s more than 25,000 alumni are some of South Florida’s most successful business leaders and entrepreneurs. Approximately 6000 students are enrolled in undergraduate business courses in its R. Kirk Landon Undergraduate School of Business and more than 800 graduate students study in its Alvah H. Chapman, Jr., Graduate School of Business every year. Another 1,000 participate annually in one or more of its professional and executive education programs.

For additional information about the College, its Landon Undergraduate School of Business, and its Chapman Graduate School of Business, please visit the College’s website at http://cba.fiu.edu.

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