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Study: Arizona has one of best community college systems in U.S.

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ARIZONA (Tucson News Now) - According to a study by [WalletHub.com](#), Arizona has one of the top community college systems in country.

WalletHub said it studied 670 community colleges in the country and ranked them over four criteria: cost and financing, classroom experience, education outcomes and career outcomes. WalletHub used those rankings to compare the systems in each state.

Arizona was No. 12, ahead of New Mexico (No. 15), Texas (No. 22), Colorado (No. 29) and Utah (No. 31). Nevada was ranked seventh while California was 10th.

Mississippi grabbed the top spot while Louisiana was at the bottom.

As for the [individual school rankings](#), Diné College in Tsaile was the highest ranked Arizona school at No. 2 in the country.

Cochise College was ranked No. 21 and was followed by GateWay Community College (No. 31), Estrella Mountain Community College (No. 49), Scottsdale Community College (No. 77), South Mountain Community College (No. 94), Phoenix College (No. 144), Paradise Valley Community College (No. 155), Chandler-Gilbert Community College (No. 192), Mesa Community College (No. 363), Pima Community College (No. 442), Central Arizona College (No. 473), Glendale Community College (No. 571).

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