

About the Maclean's rankings

On October 26, 2016, *Maclean's* magazine released its 26th annual rankings of Canadian universities. A total of 49 universities are ranked against their peers on performance indicators in five areas (students, faculty, resources, student support, and reputation). The results are based on information from a number of data sources, such as Statistics Canada and federal research grant agencies, as well as survey responses gathered from university officials, faculty and students, high school principals and guidance counselors, CEOs and corporate recruiters across Canada. The full 2017 rankings are available online at [Maclean's University Rankings](#).

Comparator group

The U of S is included in a group of 15 medical-doctoral universities with a broad range of PhD programs, research and medical schools. Other universities in this group are: Alberta, British Columbia, Calgary, Dalhousie, Laval, Manitoba, McGill, McMaster, Montreal, Ottawa, Queen's, Sherbrooke, Toronto and Western.

Maclean's 2017 University Rankings:

Summary of U of S results

Overall medical-doctoral rankings

(Position out of 15 medical-doctoral universities)

Category	Indicator	Weight	2015	2016	2017	Change from 2016
Students	Student awards	10%	15	15	15	none
	Student/faculty ratio	8%	3*	3	4	↓
	Student satisfaction****	10%	-	7	8*	↓
Faculty	Awards per full-time faculty	7%	14	14	14*	none
	SSHRC grants**	6%	13	11	13	↓
	NSERC and CIHR grants***	6%	14	14	14	none
	Citations****	5%	-	14	14	none
Resources	Total research dollars per full-time faculty	6%	13	12	12	none
	Operating expenditures per weighted FTE Student	5%	2	2	2	none
	Library expenses (as a percentage of operating expenses)	5%	1*	4*	3*	↑
	Library acquisitions (as a percentage of library expenses)	4%	10	8	8	none
Student Support	Scholarships and bursaries (as a percentage of operating expenses)	6.5%	13	12	12	none
	Student services (as a percentage of operating expenses)	6.5%	13*	13	14	↓
Reputation	Maclean's Reputation Survey (see detailed breakdown below)	15%	14	13	14	↓
Overall		100%	14	13	14*	↓

* Indicates a tie with another medical-doctoral university in this category

** SSHRC (Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council)

*** NSERC (Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council); CIHR (Canadian Institutes of Health Research)

**** New indicator for the 2016 rankings

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Maclean's Reputation Survey breakdown (includes all 49 universities)	2015	2016	2017	Change from 2016
Highest quality	24	18	21	↓
Most innovative	23	22	22	none
Leaders of tomorrow	19	19	22	↓
Best overall	22	20	22	↓