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The rankings are out, and once again Andrews University is ranked in both *U.S. News and World Report's* "Best Colleges 2012" and Forbes.com's "America's Top Colleges."

One of only 262 schools in the country considered National Universities, Andrews University is one of 98 private institutions so classified and the only Seventh-day Adventist school to make *U.S. News and World Report's* "Best Colleges 2012" list.

Andrews University made a few other *U.S. News & World Report* college ranking lists, too. With a diversity index of .71, the University tied for fifth in Campus Ethnic Diversity. (The closer a school's number is to 1.0, the more diverse it is.) And with 12 percent of the Andrews student body comprised of international students, Andrews tied for eighth in Most International Students.

Forbes.com also ranked Andrews University No. 545 in "America's Top Colleges," a compilation of the 650 best educational institutions (out of more than 6,000) across the country. Forbes gives an overall rating and smaller subcategory ratings; Andrews University also made the "Best Private Colleges," "Best Research Universities" and "Best in the Midwest" lists.

Christon Arthur, dean of the School of Graduate Studies & Research, says, "The hallmark of an excellent university is the infusion of research and scholarship into its academic fiber. Therefore, at Andrews University, research and scholarship inform our teaching and provide meaning to our service to our Church and civic communities. It is because of this infusion of research into its academic life that Andrews University continues to be ranked as 'One of America's Top Colleges' and classified as a Doctoral Research University. This designation is significant because it indicates that as a university we are moving towards excellence. This designation obli-

gates us as an institution to promote more faculty and student research, as a priority; celebrate excellence and the scholarly accomplishments of faculty and students; and create an academic culture where research and scholarship can flourish."

The University has also seen an increase in enrollment with 3,547 undergraduate, graduate and post-doctoral students on campus this September, the second highest ever. Last year's enrollment as of Census Day was 3,487. Total credit hours being taken this fall are at an all-time high. The 2011-2012 enrollment is almost evenly split between undergraduate and graduate students with 1,844 undergraduate students and 1,618 graduate students including ministerial and professional degrees.

The complete listings can be found at www.forbes.com/colleges/andrews-university/ and <http://colleges.usnews.rankingsandreviews.com/best-colleges/andrews-university-2238>.

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