

UWM MAINTAINS ITS TOP-TIER RESEARCH STATUS

MILWAUKEE _ The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee has retained its “gold standard” research classification from the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education, three years after earning the ranking for the first time.

UWM is one of 130 institutions of the 4,338 universities evaluated this year that earned inclusion in Carnegie’s “highest research activity” category, a designation that includes many Ivy League and public flagship institutions. In Wisconsin, only UWM and UW-Madison received the rating, often referred to as R1.

Before 2015, UWM had been ranked one tier below, as an R2 doctoral university.

“Achieving R1 status a second time is affirmation of the remarkable impact of UWM’s exceptional faculty, staff, doctoral students and researchers,” said UWM Chancellor Mark Mone. “Their extraordinary efforts continue to build UWM’s reputation as a top research university, with local, regional and global impact.”

UWM Provost Johannes Britz agreed.

“We are tremendously proud of this recognition from the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education,” he said. “It represents decades of work on the part of UWM faculty and staff dedicated to growing our doctoral programs and research portfolio. We also give credit to the many talented doctoral students who choose to study and conduct their research here.”

This ranking helps UWM attract and retain talented faculty, researchers and graduate students. Also, it demonstrates that the university is contributing knowledge that can be used to solve some of the area’s — and the world’s — most complex problems.

The assessment comes on the heels of UWM’s national recognition for its undergraduate research program. The Council on Undergraduate Research recently chose UWM for its 2018 Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments because of the university’s high number of undergraduates involved in research each year.

First published in 1973, the Carnegie Classification is updated every three years.

In fiscal year 2018, UWM’s research expenditures totaled \$58 million, with just over half of that amount – \$29.5 million – coming from federal agencies. In 2016-17, UWM conferred 180 research/scholarship doctoral degrees and 65 professional practice doctoral degrees.

The Carnegie Classification ranks institutions into three categories based on the number of doctoral degrees awarded and the amount of research expenditures during the previous academic year.

About UWM

Recognized as one of the nation’s 120 top research universities, UW-Milwaukee provides a world-class education to 27,500 students from 91 countries on a budget of \$689 million. Its 15 schools and colleges include Wisconsin’s only schools of architecture, freshwater sciences and public health, and it is a leading educator of nurses and teachers. UW-Milwaukee partners with leading companies to conduct joint research, offer student internships and serve as an economic engine for southeastern Wisconsin. The Princeton Review named UW-Milwaukee a 2019 “Best Midwestern” university based on overall academic excellence and student reviews, and the Sierra Club has recognized it as Wisconsin’s leading sustainable university.

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UWM retains top-tier research status, recognizing number of doctorates awarded and 'highest research activity'

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The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee once again has been awarded a top-tier research classification, joining 119 other doctoral universities across the country on a prestigious list publicly released this week.

The elite R1 (Research 1) status means UWM is among the nation's "highest research activity" colleges and universities, based on the number of doctorates awarded and research expenditures in the 2017 academic year.

UWM first earned R1 status in 2015 from the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education based at Indiana University in Bloomington. The list is reviewed and updated every three years.

UWM also holds the Carnegie community engagement classification.

Chancellor Mark Mone announced the news in a campuswide email Tuesday, noting the campus is in the company of "Yale, Iowa State, Harvard, and the University of Illinois at Chicago, among other highly distinguished universities and colleges."

"What a wonderfully gratifying way to start out the week!" Mone told the campus.

There are 4,423 universities nationwide that are classified for their research.

To come up with classifications, Carnegie analysts examined federal data on research and development spending, research staff and doctoral conferrals to sort doctoral institutions by research classification.

"This is beyond inspiring and is affirmation of the remarkable impact of UWM's exceptional faculty, staff, doctoral students and researchers, who were integral to this attainment," Mone said in his email to campus Tuesday.

"What makes this even more impressive is that you achieved this during the most challenging headwinds and budgetary times in our history. You have made — and continue to make — UWM the preeminent research and access institution that it is today. This is a proud moment for us all and I congratulate you.

"The transformational and critically-acclaimed research you engage in impacts thousands of lives. You introduce vital research that drives human, scientific and technological discovery in our world."

Mone said students learn "right away" how research leads to discoveries and solving problems.

"And it's not just graduate students," the chancellor said. "More than 1,000 undergrads are involved in research every year and we have received national recognition from the Council on Undergraduate Research with a 2018 Campus-Wide Award for Undergraduate Research Accomplishments."



UWM Chancellor Mark Mone.
(Photo: Rick Wood, Milwaukee Journal Sentinel)

2018 CARNEGIE CLASSIFICATION "R1" UNIVERSITIES

| UNIVERSITY (A-Z) | | | UNIVERSITY (A-Z) | | | UNIVERSITY (A-Z) | | | UNIVERSITY (A-Z) | | |
|--|-------|------------------------|-------------------|-------|------------------------|---|-------|------------------------|---|-------|------------------------|
| CITY | STATE | PUBLIC/PRIVATE | CITY | STATE | PUBLIC/PRIVATE | CITY | STATE | PUBLIC/PRIVATE | CITY | STATE | PUBLIC/PRIVATE |
| Arizona State University-Tempe | AZ | Public | Tempe | PA | Public | Pennsylvania State University-Main Campus | PA | Public | Chicago | IL | Public |
| Auburn University | AL | Public | Auburn | NJ | Private not-for-profit | Princeton University | NJ | Public | Champaign | IL | Public |
| Binghamton University | NY | Public | Vestal | IN | Public | Purdue University-Main Campus | IN | Public | Iowa City | IA | Public |
| Boston College | MA | Private not-for-profit | Chestnut Hill | NY | Private not-for-profit | Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute | NY | Private not-for-profit | Lawrence | KS | Public |
| Boston University | MA | Private not-for-profit | Boston | TX | Private not-for-profit | Rice University | TX | Private not-for-profit | Lexington | KY | Public |
| Brandeis University | MA | Private not-for-profit | Waltham | NJ | Public | Rutgers University-New Brunswick | NJ | Public | Louisville | KY | Public |
| Brown University | RI | Private not-for-profit | Providence | CA | Private not-for-profit | Stanford University | CA | Private not-for-profit | College Park | MD | Public |
| California Institute of Technology | CA | Private not-for-profit | Pasadena | NY | Public | Stony Brook University | NY | Public | Amherst | MA | Public |
| Carnegie Mellon University | PA | Private not-for-profit | Pittsburgh | OH | Private not-for-profit | SUNY at Albany | OH | Private not-for-profit | Caral Gables | FL | Private not-for-profit |
| Case Western Reserve University | OH | Private not-for-profit | Cleveland | SC | Public | Syracuse University | SC | Public | Ann Arbor | MI | Public |
| Clemson University | SC | Public | Clemson | CO | Public | Temple University | CO | Public | Minneapolis | MN | Public |
| Colorado State University-Fort Collins | CO | Public | Fort Collins | NY | Private not-for-profit | Texas A & M University-College Station | NY | Private not-for-profit | University of Mississippi | MS | Public |
| Columbia University in the City of New York | NY | Private not-for-profit | New York | NY | Private not-for-profit | Texas Tech University | NY | Private not-for-profit | University of Missouri-Columbia | MO | Public |
| Cornell University | NY | Private not-for-profit | Ithaca | NY | Public | The University of Alabama | NY | Public | Lincoln | NE | Public |
| CUNY Graduate School and University Center | NY | Public | New York | NH | Private not-for-profit | The University of Tennessee-Knoxville | NH | Private not-for-profit | Las Vegas | NV | Public |
| Dartmouth College | NH | Private not-for-profit | Hanover | PA | Private not-for-profit | The University of Texas at Arlington | PA | Private not-for-profit | Reno | NV | Public |
| Drexel University | PA | Private not-for-profit | Philadelphia | NC | Private not-for-profit | The University of Texas at Austin | NC | Private not-for-profit | Durham | NH | Public |
| Duke University | NC | Private not-for-profit | Durham | GA | Private not-for-profit | The University of Texas at Dallas | NC | Private not-for-profit | University of New Hampshire-Main Campus | NH | Public |
| Emory University | GA | Private not-for-profit | Atlanta | FL | Public | The University of Texas at El Paso | GA | Private not-for-profit | University of Nevada-Reno | NV | Public |
| Florida International University | FL | Public | Miami | FL | Public | Tufts University | FL | Public | University of Nevada-Reno | NV | Public |
| Florida State University | FL | Public | Tallahassee | VA | Public | Tulane University of Louisiana | VA | Public | Albuquerque | NM | Public |
| George Mason University | VA | Public | Fairfax | DC | Private not-for-profit | University at Buffalo | DC | Private not-for-profit | Chapel Hill | NC | Public |
| George Washington University | DC | Private not-for-profit | Washington | DC | Private not-for-profit | University of Alabama at Birmingham | DC | Public | Notre Dame | IN | Private not-for-profit |
| Georgetown University | DC | Private not-for-profit | Washington | DC | Public | University of Arizona | DC | Public | Norman | OK | Public |
| Georgia Institute of Technology-Main Campus | GA | Public | Atlanta | GA | Public | University of Arkansas | GA | Public | Eugene | OR | Public |
| Georgia State University | GA | Public | Atlanta | GA | Public | University of California-Berkeley | GA | Public | Philadelphia | PA | Private not-for-profit |
| Harvard University | MA | Private not-for-profit | Cambridge | MA | Private not-for-profit | University of California-Davis | MA | Public | Pittsburgh | PA | Public |
| Indiana University-Bloomington | IN | Public | Bloomington | IN | Public | University of California-Irvine | IN | Public | Rochester | NY | Private not-for-profit |
| Iowa State University | IA | Public | Ames | IN | Public | University of California-Los Angeles | IA | Public | Columbia | SC | Public |
| Johns Hopkins University | MD | Private not-for-profit | Baltimore | IA | Public | University of California-Riverside | MD | Public | Tampa | FL | Public |
| Kansas State University | KS | Public | Manhattan | KS | Public | University of California-San Diego | KS | Public | Los Angeles | CA | Private not-for-profit |
| Louisiana State University and Agricultural & Mechanical College | LA | Public | Baton Rouge | LA | Public | University of California-Santa Barbara | LA | Public | Hattiesburg | MS | Public |
| Massachusetts Institute of Technology | MA | Private not-for-profit | Cambridge | MA | Private not-for-profit | University of California-Santa Cruz | MA | Public | Salt Lake City | UT | Public |
| Michigan State University | MI | Public | East Lansing | MA | Public | University of Central Florida | MI | Public | Charlottesville | VA | Public |
| Mississippi State University | MS | Public | Mississippi State | MS | Public | University of Chicago | MS | Public | Seattle | WA | Public |
| Montana State University | MT | Public | Bozeman | MT | Public | University of Cincinnati-Main Campus | MT | Public | Madison | WI | Public |
| New York University | NY | Private not-for-profit | New York | MT | Public | University of Colorado Boulder | NY | Public | University of Wisconsin-Madison | WI | Public |
| North Carolina State University at Raleigh | NC | Public | Raleigh | NY | Private not-for-profit | University of Colorado Denver/Anschutz Medical Campus | NC | Public | University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee | WI | Public |
| Northeastern University | MA | Private not-for-profit | Boston | NC | Public | University of Connecticut | MA | Public | Nashville | TN | Private not-for-profit |
| Northwestern University | IL | Private not-for-profit | Evanston | MA | Private not-for-profit | University of Delaware | IL | Public | Richmond | VA | Public |
| Ohio State University-Main Campus | OH | Public | Columbus | IL | Private not-for-profit | University of Florida | OH | Public | Blacksburg | VA | Public |
| Oklahoma State University-Main Campus | OK | Public | Stillwater | IL | Public | University of Georgia | OK | Public | Pullman | WA | Public |
| Oregon State University | OR | Public | Corvallis | OK | Public | University of Hawaii at Manoa | OR | Public | Saint Louis | MO | Private not-for-profit |
| | | | | OR | Public | University of Houston | OR | Public | Detroit | MI | Public |
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