Summary: US News & World Report
2013 Guide to
America's Best Graduate Schools

On March 13th, 2012, US News & World Report released its annual, national rankings of four graduate-level disciplines. Berkeley retained its overall rankings in Engineering (3rd), Business (7th), moved up two places to 7th in Law, and fell 1 place to 13th in Education. There were a couple reputational rankings updated for specialty programs, including Public Policy’s number 1 ranking in policy analysis.

The Four Annual Disciplines

The Haas School of Business remains in the 7th place rank overall. The same six schools remain above Haas: Harvard, Stanford, Pennsylvania, MIT, Northwestern, and Chicago. Among the Business specialties, Berkeley ranked 3rd in Non-Profit Organizations, 6th in Entrepreneurship, 8th in Marketing, 8th in Finance (down from 7th last year), 9th in Executive MBA, 9th in Management (down from 7th last year) 10th in International Business, 11th in Accounting (up from 16th last year) and 11th in Productions/Operations (Berkeley not ranked in that grouping for prior years).

The School of Law moved up one to 7th place, tied with the University of Pennsylvania and Virginia, while Yale, Stanford, Harvard, Columbia, Chicago and NYU remained at the top slots. Berkeley remained 1st in Intellectual Property, 4th in Environmental Law, and 8th in International Law.

Berkeley’s College of Engineering maintained its 3rd place rank overall, with MIT and Stanford remaining in the top two positions. Among the specialties in engineering, Berkeley ranked 1st in Civil and Environmental, 2nd in Chemical, 3rd in Industrial, 3rd in Electrical and Mechanical (both down one from last year), 6th in Materials (down one from last year), and 7th in Nuclear (down two from last year).

The School of Education dropped one to 13th place rank. The same institutions are on the top, along with Pennsylvania whom we tied with last year. Among education’s specialties, Berkeley ranked 9th in Education Policy and Educational Psychology.

Updated Disciplines for 2013

US News ranks additional groups of disciplines using peer reputation scores. The updates for this year include:

- Public Policy ranked 1st in Public Policy Analysis, 6th in all Public Administration programs and
- Social Work drops from 6th to 7th