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| Kellogg Graduate School of Management | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School of Management (Business Week) | | 1 | | 1 | | 3 | | 3 | | 4 | | 5 | | 7 | | 3 | 9 | | | | |
| School of Management (US News) | 3 | 5 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 4 |
| Marketing | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Executive M.B.A. | | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 |
| General Management | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Part-time MBA | | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Nonprofit Organizations | 2 | 2 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 6 | 9 | 7 | 7 |
| Production/Operations Management | 8 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 6 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 | 10 | 10 |
| Finance | 7 | 9 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 11 |
| Real Estate | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 10 | 13 |
| International Business | 9 | | 11 | 12 | 12 | 18 | 14 | 19 | 17 | 13 | 18 | 17 | 18 | NR | 21 | 20 | 14 | 16 | 19 | 19 | 17 |
| Supply Chain/Logistics | | | 10 | 11 | 13 | 14 | 14 | 13 | 10 | 9 | 9 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 20 | 15 | 17 |
| Business Analytics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 14 | 18 |
| Entrepreneurship | 9 | | 11 | 13 | 7 | 12 | 11 | 15 | 20 | 11 | 22 | 21 | 22 | NR | 11 | 14 | 17 | 17 | NR | 24 | 18 |
| Accounting | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 19 | 14 | 10 | 14 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 12 | 14 | 20 | 26 | 18 | 18 | 23 | 25 | 33 |
| Information Systems | | | 19 | 22 | 20 | 22 | 20 | NR | NR | 18 | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | | |
| Healthcare Mangement | 3 | | 4 | | | | 8 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Quantitative Analysis | 8 | 11 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School of Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School of Law (National Law Journal) | | | | | | | | 2 | 5 | 1 | 8 | 2 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 4 | 3 | | | | |
| School of Law (US News) | 13 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 12 |
| Tax Law | | | | | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 |
| Dispute Resolution | | 8 | 8 | 11 | 9 | 11 | 14 | 12 | 15 | 12 | 14 | 12 | NR | 10 | 11 | 10 | 11 | 11 | 10 | 6 | 7 |
| Clinical Training | 8 | 9 | 9 | 5 | 9 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 12 | 17 | 12 | 13 | 13 | 11 | 8 | 11 | 11 | 13 | 6 | 9 |
| Business/Corporate Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 | 12 |
| Contracts/Commercial Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 13 | 13 |
| Criminal Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | 13 |
| Constitutional Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 13 | 15 |
| Intellectual Property Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 25 | 29 | 21 | 18 | 21 | 19 |
| Trial Advocacy | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 10 | 7 | 10 | 8 | 4 | NR | 13 | 10 | 13 | 3 | 11 | 19 | 21 |
| Legal Writing | | | | | 10 | 5 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 11 | NR | NR | NR | NR | 22 | NR | 15 | 27 | 20 | 24 | 25 |
| International Law | | | 23 | 16 | 18 | NR | 12 | NR | 19 | 15 | NR | 17 | NR | NR | 26 | 15 | NR | 20 | 24 | 21 | 26 |
| Health Care Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 56 | 48 | 37 |
| Environmental Law | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 14 | 49 | 44 |

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| Feinberg School of Medicine | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School of Medicine (research) | 20 | 22 | 21 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 21 | 20 | 19 | 18 | 19 | 18 | 18 | 18 | 19 | 17 | 17 | 20 | 19 | 18 | 15 |
| Obstetrics and Gynecology | | | 12 | 17 | 11 | 15 | 8 | 10 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 10 | 11 | 10 | 9 | 10 | 8 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 4 |
| Internal Medicine | | | 21 | 23 | 25 | 20 | 20 | 19 | 20 | 17 | 16 | 16 | NR | NR | 13 | 17 | 15 | 12 | 16 | 15 | 14 |
| Pediatrics | | | 17 | 16 | 15 | 12 | 16 | 18 | 17 | 17 | 14 | 15 | 14 | 13 | 15 | 14 | 14 | 12 | 16 | 16 | 13 |
| Radiology | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | 17 | 17 |
| Psychiatry | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | 17 | |
| Surgery | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 12 | 17 | 24 | 12 |
| Physician Assistant | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 27 | | | | 26 | | |
| Public Health | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 37 | 37 | 24 |
| AIDS | | | 11 | 17 | 13 | 12 | 17 | 14 | 19 | 14 | 14 | 15 | 14 | NR | NR | NR | | | | | |
| Community Health | NR | | 2 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Physical Therapy | 9 | | | 10 | | | | 7 | | | | 9 | | | | 6 | | | | 4 | |
| Clinical Psychology | 19 | | | 11 | | | | 22 | | | | 37 | | | | 41 | | | | 37 | |
| School of Medicine (primary care) | | | | | | | | | 51 | 49 | 41 | 27 | 31 | 22 | 29 | 17 | 24 | 21 | | 35 | |
| School of Communication | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Film (MFA) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Fine Arts Program | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 73 | |
| Drama (MFA) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Speech and Language Pathology | 4 | | | 3 | | | | 2 | | | | 5 | | | | 5 | | | | 2 | |
| Audiology | 2 | | | 4 | | | | 9 | | | | 8 | | | | 7 | | | | 4 | |
| School of Education and Social Policy | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School of Education | 10 | 10 | 9 | 11 | 6 | 10 | 7 | 12 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 9 | 14 | 11 | 7 | 8 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 7 | 8 |
| Education Policy | 19 | | 16 | | 15 | 18 | 19 | 19 | NR | 21 | 20 | NR | 19 | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | NR | 19 |
| Educational Psychology | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 17 | NR | NR | NR | | |
| School of Music | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School of Music (US News) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| McCormick School of Engineering & Applied Science | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| School of Engineering & Applied Science | 18 | 20 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 20 | 21 | 21 | 20 | 19 | 20 | 22 | 21 | 19 | 19 | 20 | 20 | 19 | 19 |
| Materials Engineering | 2 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Industrial Engineering | 8 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 4 | 7 | 6 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Mechanical Engineering | 16 | 16 | 16 | 13 | 10 | 10 | 12 | | 11 | 11 | 11 | 12 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 11 | 14 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 13 |
| Civil Engineering | 12 | 10 | 11 | 9 | 8 | 10 | 10 | | 13 | 12 | 12 | 13 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 16 | 12 | 11 | 12 | 10 | 14 |
| Chemical Engineering | 16 | 18 | 15 | 13 | 12 | 16 | 17 | | 16 | 16 | 16 | 14 | 17 | 14 | 16 | 15 | 15 | 14 | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| Biomedical Engineering | | 15 | 14 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | | 17 | 15 | 15 | 19 | 18 | 13 | 12 | 9 | 12 | 14 | 14 | 12 | 14 |
| Electrical Engineering | | | NR | 26 | 28 | 29 | | | 29 | 31 | 31 | 32 | 30 | 27 | 27 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 23 | 32 | 20 |
| Computer Engineering | | 18 | 18 | 21 | 28 | 21 | 25 | | 28 | | 28 | 25 | 25 | 21 | 26 | 23 | 24 | 26 | 18 | 23 | 22 |
| Environmental Engineering | 19 | 14 | 14 | 11 | 15 | 20 | 19 | | 28 | 27 | 27 | 26 | 25 | 21 | 20 | 24 | 22 | 30 | 23 | 31 | 28 |
| Computer Science | | 42 | | | | 40 | | 39 | | 35 | | | | 34 | | | | 30 | | | |

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| Weinberg College of Arts & Sciences | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Art Theory and Practice | | | | | | | | | | | | 62 | | | | 48 | | | | | |
| Biological Sciences | 36 | | | | | 28 | 29 | | | 26 | | | | 26 | | | | 27 | | | |
| Chemistry | 12 | | | | | 9 | 9 | | | 7 | | | | 7 | | | | 6 | | | |
| Analytical | NR | | | | | NR | 19 | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | 12 | | | |
| Biochemistry | NR | | | | | NR | NR | | | 17 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | |
| Inorganic | 3 | | | | | 4 | 3 | | | 4 | | | | 4 | | | | 4 | | | |
| Organic | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | | | |
| Physical | NR | | | | | NR | 8 | | | 9 | | | | 5 | | | | 7 | | | |
| Theoretical | | | | | | 5 | 3 | | | 3 | | | | 9 | | | | 9 | | | |
| Earth Sciences | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 34 | | | | 31 | | | |
| Economics | | | | | 8 | | | | 8 | | | | 7 | | | | | 7 | | | |
| Industrial Organization | | 2 | | | 3 | | | | 2 | | | | 2 | | | | | 5 | | | |
| Microeconomics | | 7 | | | 9 | | | | 6 | | | | 5 | | | | | 5 | | | |
| Econometrics | | | | | 8 | | | | 8 | | | | 6 | | | | | 9 | | | |
| Macroeconomics | | 9 | | | 8 | | | | 8 | | | | 10 | | | | | 10 | | | |
| Development Economics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 7 | | | |
| Public Finance | | 10 | | | 11 | | | | 13 | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | |
| Labor Economics | | | | | 12 | | | | 10 | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | |
| English | | | | | 19 | | | | 20 | | | | 20 | | | | | 18 | | | 13 |
| African-American Lit. | | NR | | | 17 | | | | NR | | | | 8 | | | | | NR | | | 10 |
| American Lit. Before 1865 | | | | | 12 | | | | 18 | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | 11 |
| Medieval / Renaissance Lit. | | | | | | | | | 15 | | | | 11 | | | | | NR | | | 12 |
| 18th to 20th Century British Lit. | | NR | | | 18 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | |
| History | | | | | 17 | | | | 14 | | | | 14 | | | | | 11 | | | 16 |
| African History | | | | | 1 | | | | 1 | | | | 4 | | | | | 1 | | | 2 |
| African-American History | | NR | | | 12 | | | | 9 | | | | 8 | | | | | NR | | | 17 |
| European History | | NR | | | 14 | | | | 13 | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | 17 |
| Modern U.S. History | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 10 |
| Cultural History | | NR | | | 15 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | |
| U.S. Colonial History | | NR | | | 15 | | | | 14 | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | |
| Women's History | | NR | | | 18 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | | NR | | | |

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| Weinberg College of Arts & Sciences (cont.) | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Mathematics | 21 | | | | | 21 | | 18 | | 16 | | | | 17 | | | | 22 | | | |
| Algebra/Number Theory/Alg. Geom. | | | | | | 16 | | 18 | | 12 | | | | NR | | | | 13 | | | |
| Applied Math | | 14 | | | | 17 | | NR | | NR | | | | NR | | | | | | | |
| Topology | | | | | | 13 | | 12 | | NR | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Physics | 28 | | | | | 29 | | 26 | | 30 | | | | 26 | | | | 25 | | | |
| Political Science | | | | | 21 | | | | 21 | | | | 21 | | | | 23 | | | | 19 |
| Political Theory | | | | | | | | | 7 | | | | 8 | | | | 10 | | | | 13 |
| Comparative Politics | | | | | | | | | 16 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | 16 |
| American Politics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 23 |
| Psychology | | | | | 22 | | | | 17 | | | | 14 | | | | 17 | | | | |
| Clinical Psychology | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 16 | | | | | |
| Social Psychology | | NR | | | 14 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | | | | | |
| Cognitive Psychology | | NR | | | 16 | | | | 15 | | | | NR | | | | | | | | |
| Sociology | | | | | 11 | | | | 9 | | | | 10 | | | | 10 | | | | 7 |
| Sociology of Culture | | 1 | | | 3 | | | | 3 | | | | 3 | | | | 4 | | | | 4 |
| Historical Sociology | | 6 | | | 6 | | | | 6 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | 6 |
| Economic Sociology | | 6 | | | 6 | | | | 6 | | | | 8 | | | | 6 | | | | 10 |
| Sex and Gender | | | | | 13 | | | | 14 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | NR |
| Social Stratification | | NR | | | 15 | | | | 12 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | NR |
| Sociology of Population | | | | | 23 | | | | 25 | | | | NR | | | | NR | | | | NR |
| Statistics | | | | | | | | | | | | | | 49 | | | | 55 | | | |
| Continuing Studies | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Public Policy and Administration | | | | | | | | | | | | 59 | | | | NR | | | | | |
| Medill School of Journalism | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Journalism schools are not ranked by US News & World Report | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Footnotes:

- 1) Rankings are from US News and World Report unless otherwise noted.
- 2) NR denotes not ranked among top schools.
- 3) Empty cell denotes no rankings for category in that year or rank is unknown.
- 4) Subcategories/specialties are not ranked each year, though sometimes listed in current magazine with old rankings.