

Social Mobility

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The WSJ/College Pulse Social Mobility ranking lists colleges in order of how much they enhance their students' social mobility. It rewards universities that take in the highest proportion of students coming from lower-income families, while maintaining high graduation rates and having a positive impact on graduate salaries and minimizing the costs of attending the college. The ranking was developed and executed in collaboration with our research partners [College Pulse](#) and [Statista](#). See the full methodology below.

Rank	School Name	Type	State	Score	
98	University of Memphis	Public	TN	35.4	▼
149	Trevecca Nazarene University	Private	TN	27.4	▼
170	University of Tennessee, Martin	Public	TN	24.4	▼
185	Middle Tennessee State University	Public	TN	23.4	▼
217	University of Tennessee, Chattanooga	Public	TN	20.3	▼
228	Tennessee State University	Public	TN	19.2	▼
274	Union University	Private	TN	15.3	▼
298	University of Tennessee, Knoxville	Public	TN	13.6	▼
342	Lipscomb University	Private	TN	11.1	▼
350	Lee University	Private	TN	10.7	▼
351	Vanderbilt University	Private	TN	10.7	▼
437	Sewanee: The University of the South	Private	TN	4.6	▼
444	Belmont University	Private	TN	4	▼
446	Rhodes College	Private	TN	3.6	▼

