



## U.S. News Rankings Methods Change

- 17 of the 19 indicators in the 2024 edition of U.S. News and World Report Ranking are different from 2023.
- The 2024 edition **dropped five indicators** used in 2023: class size, alumni giving average, faculty with a terminal degree, graduate debt and high school class standing.
- The 2024 edition added **seven new factors**; four related to faculty research, two related to first generation graduation rates, and one related to graduate income.
- The weight placed on ten indicators **changed** from 2023.
- Only two of the 2024 indicators remained consistent with those used in 2023: peer assessment and standardized test scores.

## Wake Forest Distinctions

About **3 out of every 5 class** sections at Wake Forest have fewer than 20 students. 99% of class sections have fewer than 50 students.

(Source: [Common Data Set](#))

Nearly **95% of full-time faculty** have a doctoral or other terminal degree. (See exclusions and inclusions [Common Data Set](#).)

Approximately **95% of undergraduates** who enroll at Wake Forest as first-time, full-time students return for their second year.

(Source: [“Retention & Graduation”](#) tab)

About **9 in 10 undergraduates** who enroll at Wake Forest as first-time, full-time students graduate within six years.

(Source: [“Retention & Graduation”](#) tab)

About **1 in 5 undergraduate degree recipients** graduate with two majors. (Source: [“Undergraduate Degrees Granted by Year”](#) tab)

About **2 in 3 undergraduate degree recipients** graduate with at least one minor. (Source: [“Undergraduate Degrees Granted by Year”](#) tab)

About **3 in 4 undergraduates** (excluding COVID years) have at least one study abroad experience. (Source: [“Retention & Graduation”](#) tab)



## Post-Graduation Career Outcomes (Source: [Office of Personal and Career Development](#))

For each of the past 10 years, survey data shows **more than 96% of each year’s graduating class** reported having a job or admission to graduate school within 6 months post-graduation.<sup>1</sup> In more recent years, that number has been **98%**. The post-graduation career outcomes of Wake Forest College of Arts and Sciences majors are equivalent to those in the School of Business.

### WFU GRADUATE DESTINATIONS INCLUDE:



**Over 75% of our students — from every class year —** engage with our career-related resources, programs, staff, and events. Most schools report less than 35% of their students are engaged in comparable activities.

1. Most universities report post-graduation outcomes data with fewer than 50% of graduates responding. Wake Forest’s knowledge rate for the class of 2022 was 87%.