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2025 BEST COLLEGES METRICS

Social Mobility (21%)	Pell Graduation Rates	5.5%
	Pell Graduation Performance	5.5%
	Borrower Debt	5%
	College Grads Earning More Than a High School Grad	5%
Outcomes (21%)	Graduation Rates	16%
	First-Year Retention Rates	5%
Peer Assessment/Reputation (20%)	Peer Assessment	20%
Faculty Resources (11%)	Faculty Salaries	6%
	Student-Faculty Ratio	3%
	Full-Time Faculty	2%
Graduation Rate Performance (10%)	Graduation Rate Performance	10%
Financial Resources (8%)	Financial Resources Per Student	8%
Student Selectivity (5%)	Standardized Tests	5%
Faculty Research (4%)	Publications Cited in Top 25% of Journals	0.5%
	Publications Cited in Top 5% of Journals	1%
	Field Weighted Citation Impact	1.25%
	Citations Per Publication	1.25%
TOTAL		100%