

## **US News College Rankings**

RMU has long used its US News ranking as a general quality indicator. The University pays careful attention to annual changes in its ranking and has devoted considerable study to the 17 individual components that are used to compute its overall ranking. The rankings are not without controversy in academic circles but RMU believes that the rankings, in addition to the results of other assessment programs, provide a useful general indicator of whether institutional improvement is indeed being attained.

RMU's Carnegie classification was changed from Masters (large) to Doctoral (R3) in February, 2016. The re-classification resulted in RMU being moved from its former US News category, Regional Universities – North, to National Universities for the 2017 edition of the US News college rankings. For the 2022 edition of the rankings RMU is ranked 187<sup>th</sup> of the 288 universities included in this category that received a numerical ranking. Another 93 universities in the lowest quartile of this category did not receive a published numerical ranking.