Department of Education (ED): Proposed College Ratings System

“To recognize institutions that are succeeding at expanding access, maintaining affordability, and ensuring strong student outcomes”

-Department of Education

- Ratings NOT Rankings
- Institutional Groupings
- Restricted to undergraduate student population
# U.Va.’s Recommendations: Proposed College Ratings System

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- **Pell Recipients:** 13.2% of UVa undergraduates. This number has nearly doubled since AccessUVA.

- **Average Net Price:** $14,069 for all UVa full-time, first year, in-state undergraduate students who received need based grants (fall 2013).

- **First Generation Students:** 9% of the 1st year class; 17% of the transfer class (fall 2014).

- **Graduate School Attendance:** 46% of UVa alumni surveyed two years after graduation reported completing or being enrolled in a graduate degree program.
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• **Completion Rates:** At 94.1%, UVa’s most recent 6-year graduation rate is the highest of all public institutions in the nation.

• **Labor Market Success:** UVa ranks 68th nationally out of over 1,000 four-year institutions for mid-career salary.

• **Loan Performance Outcomes:** UVa’s most recent official 3-year loan default rate from the NSLDS is 1.7%.
  - The national average for 4-year public institutions: 8.9%; for private 4-year institutions: 7.0%.
  - The average for all institutions in Virginia is 10.0%