

## ***BusinessWeek* Names Florida Among Top 20 Public Programs in U.S.**

Gainesville, Fla. – Graduates of the Warrington College earned the #16 spot overall from recruiters surveyed for the 2009 *BusinessWeek* Top Undergraduate Programs rankings. Released March 1, 2009 the rankings placed Florida at #20 overall among the country's public programs. UF also scored well for value, as #2 among all undergraduate programs in the nation. Warrington continues to improve in many areas, including Median Starting Salary (an upward trend over the last four years), MBA Feeder Rank, Recruiter Survey Rank, and Average SAT score. Here are some additional highlights:

### **UF's rankings:**

- **Overall among all schools: #53**
  - **Among publics: # 20**
- **Recruiter ranking among publics: #10**
- **SAT ranking among publics: #13**
- **MBA feeder school ranking among publics: #17**

To be eligible for ranking, schools must have an accredited undergraduate business degree program that meets *BW* criteria for program size, age, test scores, grade point averages for business majors, and number of full-time tenured faculty, among other measures. There are five sources for the ranking data: a student survey, a recruiter survey, median starting salaries for graduates, the number of graduates admitted to 35 top MBA programs, and an academic quality measure that consists of SAT/ACT test scores for business majors, full-time faculty-student ratios in the business program, average class size in core business classes, the percentage of business majors with internships, and the number of hours students spend preparing for class each week. The test scores, faculty-student ratio, and class size information come from a survey to be completed by participating schools; the internship and hours of preparation data come from the student survey.

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The Warrington College of Business Administration is one of the world's top-rated public business programs, recognized for excellence by *U.S. News & World Report*, *BusinessWeek*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Financial Times*, *The Economist*, and *Forbes*. As part of a Research 1 institution, Warrington is dedicated to a substantial research agenda, in addition to its teaching mission, from the undergraduate to the doctoral level. Warrington educates future business leaders using teamwork that provides opportunities for development of leadership, interpersonal and total management skills; promoting mastery of business functional areas; and fostering the habits and attitudes that constitute a solid research and work ethic.