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New report ranks Oakland University third-safest college in nation

Oakland University ranks among the safest colleges in the nation, according to a new report from a national trade organization dedicated to furthering public knowledge on home safety and security issues.

The National Council for Home Safety and Security ranked Oakland third on its list of the **Top 100 Safest Colleges in America**. According to the organization's website, the list was compiled using the most recent data from the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting and the National Center for Education Statistics.

OU Police Chief Mark Gordon called the report "a testament to the cooperation and commitment that the Oakland community has toward creating a safe environment."

The report looked at accredited public, private and not-for-profit institutions that offer four-year degree programs and have student populations above 15,000. More than 2,000 colleges and universities were assessed. The top-ranked colleges had low overall crime rates, both on campus and in the surrounding community. Additional information about the report's methodology can be found [here](#).



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Oakland University was ranked as the safest college in Michigan, ahead of Michigan State University (No. 10) and the University of Michigan Ann Arbor (No. 29). The University of New Hampshire was ranked No. 1 on the list, followed by Brigham Young University at No. 2.

These rankings come on the heels of a 2016 report from CollegeChoice.net, which ranked Oakland No. 7 on its list of the **50 Safest Large Colleges and Universities in America**.

Based in Washington D.C., the National Council for Home Safety and Security is a national trade association comprised of licensed alarm installers, contractors, and other relevant trade groups across the United States.

