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The Citadel remains top ranked by U.S. News for both quality, value

The Citadel continues to be among the top 10 colleges and universities in the South that offers value and a quality educational program to its students based on the 2009 U.S. News & World Report rankings that were released today.

In the 2009 rankings, The Citadel was named:

- No. 2 best public institution in the South
- No. 5 among all colleges and universities, both public and private, in the South offering up to a master's degree but few, if any, doctoral programs
- No. 7 best value among institutions in the South

The School of Engineering moved up from No. 38 to No. 34 in this year's rankings of the best undergraduate engineering programs in the nation.

"We are very proud to be one of the best overall colleges in our category and a top value as well," said President Lt. Gen. John W. Rosa. "The U.S. News recognition affirms our hard work providing a unique, high quality education that is dedicated to preparing principled leaders, while keeping costs as low as possible."

The Citadel was one of only two public colleges in the nation to earn a spot on the "Best Value" list for master's degree granting institutions.

"We are delighted that The Citadel appears so prominently in the U.S. News rankings, but a more important proof of success is students who want to attend," said Samuel M. Hines, Jr., provost and dean of the college. "This year we are matriculating our largest freshmen class in 32 years, which is a powerful demonstration that families believe The Citadel provides the best preparation for meeting the challenges students will face."

Highlights of the college rankings will be published in the Sept. 1 issue of U.S. News & World Report, available for news stand purchase on Monday, Aug. 25. The 2009 America's Best Colleges guidebook will be available for purchase on Tuesday, Aug. 26.

Achieving excellence in the education of principled leaders