

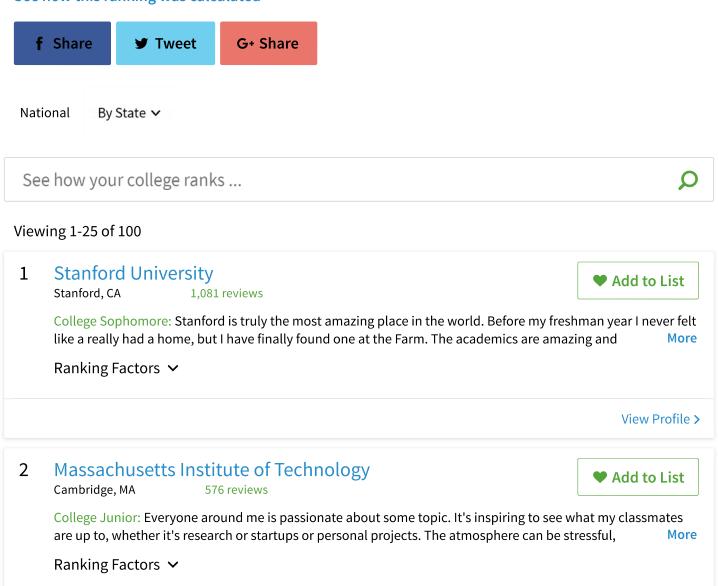
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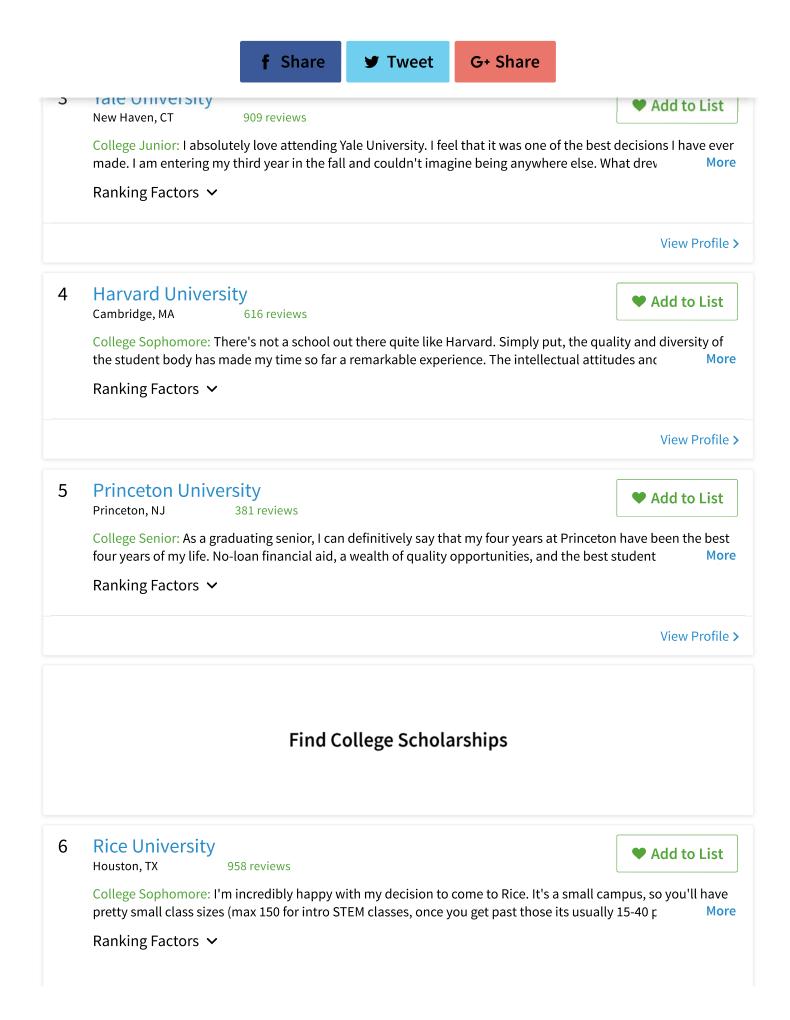
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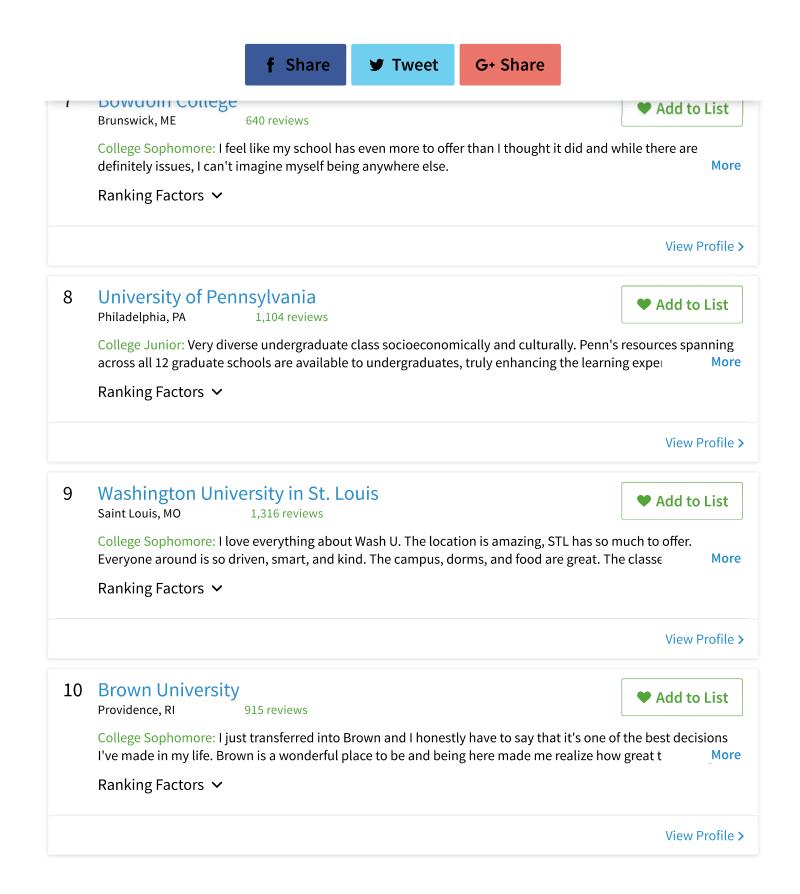
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12 Columbia University

New York, NY

1,080 reviews



College Junior: For those interested in Columbia College, not CEAS (the Engineering School): As a political science major with a German concentration (Columbia-speak for minor), I have been very satisfied More

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Dartmouth College 13

Hanover, NH

652 reviews



College Junior: Although Dartmouth has its problem, I've had an amazing time. I've grown as a person in so many respects, learned so much about my field, and have had the opportunity to study abroad tw More

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14 Vanderbilt University

Nashville, TN

1,153 reviews



College Sophomore: I love Vandy even though it's super hard and my first year was really tough. The classes are More really challenging but the social life and the people you meet here make up for it.

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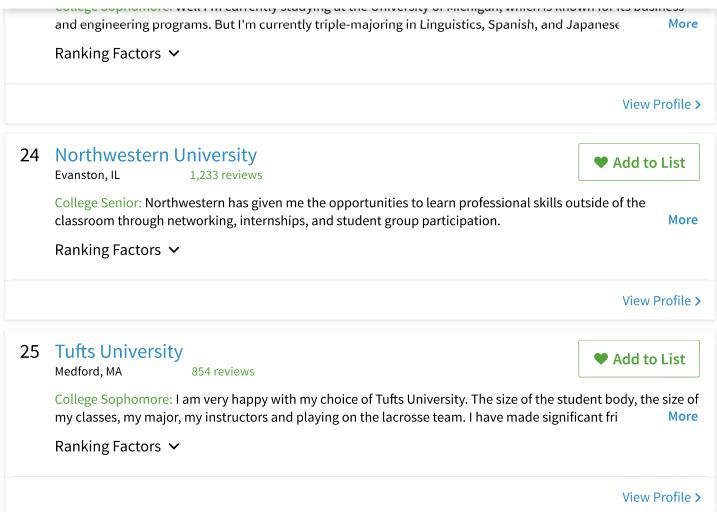
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copriorities of the ago tives up to its standards of being diverse, academically rigoarous, and a suite place for inquiry of all kinds. My experience so far has been fantastic, and I'm excited to come back for the Ranking Factors 🗸 View Profile > 20 Washington & Lee University Add to List Lexington, VA 386 reviews College Senior: I love this place. If I had to make this decision again 1000 times over, I would make the same choice every time. W&L has given me so many opportunities for personal and intellectual growth. Ranking Factors > View Profile > 21 Carleton College Add to List Northfield, MN 464 reviews College Sophomore: Carleton is an incredible place to go to school--the people really care about academics, real issues, and each other. There are also literally hundreds of activities to get involved with, so the Ranking Factors > View Profile > 22 Colgate University Add to List Hamilton, NY 957 reviews College Junior: I'd be lying if I said I 100% loved everything about Colgate. It definitely has its downsides and I felt very uncomfortable during orientation when stuck with a bunch of rich kids talking about thei

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