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Top 20 doctorate-granting institutions ranked by number of doctorate recipients, by broad field of study: 2017

(Number)

Field and institution	Rank	Doctorate recipients
Life sciences ^a	-	12,592
From top 20 institutions	-	3,606
Johns Hopkins U.	1	244
U. Wisconsin-Madison	2	241
U. Florida	3	227
Harvard U.	4	211
U. North Carolina, Chapel Hill	5	205
U. California, Davis	6	203
Ohio State U., Columbus	7	196
Walden U.	8	186
U. California, Los Angeles	9	179
U. Minnesota, Twin Cities	9	179
Texas A&M U., College Station and Health Science Center	11	173
U. Michigan, Ann Arbor	12	167
U. California, Berkeley	13	162
U. Washington, Seattle	14	160
U. Georgia	15	154
Pennsylvania State U., University Park and Hershey Medical Center	16	149
U. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	17	146
U. Pennsylvania	17	146
Purdue U., West Lafayette	19	145
Cornell U.	20	133
Physical sciences and earth sciences	-	6,081
From top 20 institutions	-	1,868
Stanford U.	1	139
U. California, Berkeley	2	129
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	3	111
Harvard U.	4	107
U. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	5	99
U. Texas, Austin	6	98
Purdue U., West Lafayette	7	97
U. Michigan, Ann Arbor	7	97
U. Wisconsin-Madison	9	95
Texas A&M U., College Station and Health Science Center	10	88
Pennsylvania State U., University Park and Hershey Medical Center	11	86
California Institute of Technology	12	85
U. California, San Diego	12	85
U. Colorado Boulder	14	82
Ohio State U., Columbus	15	81
U. Maryland, College Park	15	81
U. Washington, Seattle	17	80
U. Arizona	18	77
Princeton U.	19	76
U. Florida	20	75
Mathematics and computer sciences	-	3,843
From top 21 institutions	-	1,117
Stanford U.	1	84
U. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	2	74
U. California, Los Angeles	3	67
North Carolina State U.	4	61
U. California, Berkeley	4	61
Carnegie Mellon U.	6	58

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U. Washington, Seattle	6	58
Purdue U., West Lafayette	8	55
U. Wisconsin-Madison	8	55
U. Minnesota, Twin Cities	10	51
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	11	50
U. Texas, Austin	11	50
SUNY, Stony Brook U.	13	47
Cornell U.	14	46
U. Michigan, Ann Arbor	14	46
Texas A&M U., College Station and Health Science Center	16	43
U. California, Davis	16	43
New York U.	18	42
Ohio State U., Columbus	18	42
U. California, Irvine	18	42
U. Maryland, College Park	18	42
Psychology and social sciences	-	9,079
From top 20 institutions	-	2,259
Walden U.	1	260
CUNY, Graduate Center	2	151
U. California, Berkeley	3	127
U. Texas, Austin	4	123
Harvard U.	5	120
U. Maryland, College Park	5	120
U. California, Los Angeles	7	109
U. Michigan, Ann Arbor	8	107
George Mason U.	9	102
U. Minnesota, Twin Cities	9	102
Michigan State U.	11	101
Ohio State U., Columbus	12	99
Pennsylvania State U., University Park and Hershey Medical Center	12	99
U. Florida	14	94
U. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	14	94
Indiana U., Bloomington	16	92
U. Wisconsin-Madison	16	92
U. Chicago	18	91
U. California, San Diego	19	90
U. Georgia	20	86
Engineering	-	9,843
From top 20 institutions	-	3,760
Georgia Institute of Technology	1	345
Massachusetts Institute of Technology	2	291
Purdue U., West Lafayette	3	275
Texas A&M U., College Station and Health Science Center	4	236
U. Michigan, Ann Arbor	5	223
U. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	6	209
U. Texas, Austin	7	203
Stanford U.	8	202
U. California, Berkeley	9	177
U. Florida	10	168
North Carolina State U.	11	164
Carnegie Mellon U.	12	162
Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State U.	13	156

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Pennsylvania State U., University Park and Hershey Medical Center	14	153
U. Wisconsin-Madison	15	149
Ohio State U., Columbus	16	141
U. California, Los Angeles	17	130
U. California, San Diego	18	128
Northwestern U.	19	127
U. Minnesota, Twin Cities	20	121
Education	-	4,823
From top 20 institutions	-	1,376
Columbia U., Teachers C.	1	130
Texas Tech U.	2	98
Pennsylvania State U., University Park and Hershey Medical Center	3	96
U. Georgia	4	83
U. Minnesota, Twin Cities	5	77
Walden U.	6	75
Ohio State U., Columbus	7	73
U. Wisconsin-Madison	7	73
Michigan State U.	9	71
U. Texas, Austin	10	65
Claremont Graduate U.	11	63
U. South Florida, Tampa	12	62
Auburn U., Auburn	13	57
U. Kentucky	14	56
George Washington U.	15	53
U. North Texas, Denton	16	51
Indiana U., Bloomington	17	50
U. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	17	50
U. Florida	19	47
U. Memphis	20	46
Humanities and arts	-	5,290
From top 20 institutions	-	1,765
Harvard U.	1	141
CUNY, Graduate Center	2	124
U. Wisconsin-Madison	3	110
U. Chicago	4	107
New York U.	5	105
U. California, Los Angeles	6	103
Yale U.	7	95
Columbia U. in the City of New York	8	89
U. Texas, Austin	8	89
U. California, Berkeley	10	85
U. Michigan, Ann Arbor	10	85
Princeton U.	12	81
Indiana U., Bloomington	13	76
U. Pennsylvania	14	75
Ohio State U., Columbus	15	69
U. North Carolina, Chapel Hill	16	68
U. Virginia, Charlottesville	16	68
Florida State U.	18	67
Stanford U.	19	66
U. Colorado Boulder	20	62
Other ^b	-	3,113

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From top 21 institutions	-	938
Walden U.	1	133
Stanford U.	2	64
U. Texas, Austin	3	58
U. Illinois, Urbana-Champaign	4	54
Texas A&M U., College Station and Health Science Center	5	44
Texas Tech U.	6	42
U. Pennsylvania	7	41
North Carolina State U.	8	40
Regent U.	8	40
Rutgers, State U. New Jersey, Newark	10	38
U. Washington, Seattle	11	37
Florida State U.	12	36
Michigan State U.	12	36
New York U.	12	36
Pennsylvania State U., University Park and Hershey Medical Center	15	35
Fielding Graduate U.	16	34
Ohio State U., Columbus	16	34
U. Alabama, Tuscaloosa	16	34
U. Michigan, Ann Arbor	16	34
U. Missouri, Columbia	16	34

^a Includes agricultural sciences and natural resources; biological and biomedical sciences; and health sciences.

^b Includes other non-science and engineering fields not shown separately.

Note(s)

Tied institutions are listed alphabetically.

Source(s)

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