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University of Missouri, Columbia	84%
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Source: U.S. News & World Report, "America's Best Colleges 2007",  
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State University of New York, Buffalo	85%
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