

## Education City Schools Recognized in US Academic Excellence Rankings

**Doha, Qatar, 13 September 2015** – Two of Education City's American schools have once again been ranked in the top 15 colleges and universities in the respected U.S. News Best Colleges ranking for 2016.

Northwestern was ranked 12th and Cornell, 15th. In the 2015 ranking Northwestern was ranked 13th and Cornell, 15th. Of the top 25 schools this year, nine schools stayed the same, 13 fell in the rankings and only three moved up—Northwestern, Johns Hopkins and Brown University.

"As one of Northwestern's three campuses, NU-Q is proud that our university has again been recognized as one of the most prestigious in the United States as well as in Qatar," said Everette E. Dennis, dean and CEO of NU-Q. "These rankings reflect the world class academic experience we provide our students."

U.S. News is the only organization that has been ranking schools for over three decades. The rankings focus on academic excellence, with schools ranked on up to 16 measures of academic quality.

Students at NU-Q receive instruction from a world-class international faculty across three major programs including Journalism, Communication and Liberal Arts. As part of Northwestern University, it boasts more than 200,000 living alumni, including countless public figures, statespersons, and societal leaders. NU-Q is committed to excellent teaching, innovative research and the personal intellectual growth of students within a diverse academic community.

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Northwestern University in Qatar draws from its parent organization, <u>Northwestern University</u>(Evanston, Illinois), a distinguished history, famous programs and an exceptional faculty. Founded in partnership with Qatar Foundation, NU-Q provides a framework through which students explore the world and, ultimately, shape its future through its distinguished schools of <u>communication</u>, <u>journalism</u>, and <u>liberal arts</u>.