

Doane University Peer List

The Doane University Peer List should be used as the *initial source* of comparisons for *institutional data*. Doane University serves an intricate mix of undergraduate, graduate, and non-degree-seeking students in residential, commuter, and online environments.

These institutions should serve as the starting point for comparing characteristics at institutions. It is also recommended to often use ratios (faculty to student) rather than absolute numbers in comparisons.

How was the list created?

Institutions were selected using IPEDS (Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System), a system of interrelated surveys conducted annually by the National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), a part of the Institute for Education Sciences within the United States Department of Education.

The list's initial construction was based on specific criteria. We included private institutions with a significant number of undergraduate and graduate students located in the Plains or Midwest region. This initial list of 32 institutions was then refined to include those focusing on the liberal arts, resulting in the 16 institutions listed below.

Why is (blank institution) missing from the list? They are just like us—they are our competitors!

Many of our competitors for students have different operational diversity at the *institutional level*. For example, many students who apply for admission to the Crete campus attend the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. While this is valuable to know for enrollment purposes, using UNL in a peer list to generate comparisons of faculty-student ratios, resource allocation, tuition pricing, or the number of students per degree program would not necessarily be helpful since UNL operates differently from Doane.

Questions about specific parts of the organization will likely require a more nuanced (sometimes completely different) list.

I found that (blank) institution has good resources to compare with my program/office/area. May I use them for benchmarking?

YES! Institutions vary tremendously. While the institutions listed below have characteristics similar to Doane's, they might offer different programs or not have directly comparable offices. The peer list should serve as a first point of reference, but it is by no means exclusive. Seek out appropriate comparisons and resources. Please also ask for assistance from the Office of Institutional Effectiveness or Institutional Research.

Where are the aspirant institutions?

Selecting an aspirant institution is a highly subjective process. Those institutions often possess features (considerable endowment, particular geographic location, program niche) that make comparisons have limited value. Therefore, we did not create an aspirant list.

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UnitID	Institution Name (linked)	State abbreviation (HD2022)	Staffing		Graduation	Undergraduate	Graduate	
			Total employees (EAP2022 All staff. With faculty status, full and part time)	Total employees (EAP2022 All staff. Without faculty status, full and part time)	Graduation rate UG total cohort (DRVGR2022)	Reported full-time equivalent (FTE) undergraduate enrollment 2021-22 (EFIA2022)	Grand total (EF2022 All students Graduate and First professional)	Reported full-time equivalent (FTE) graduate enrollment 2021-22 (EFIA2022)
181020	Doane University	NE	253	154	61	1023	889	587
201104	Ashland University	OH	430	405	60	2854	1091	764
201195	Baldwin Wallace University	OH	495	362	65	2788	476	455
145619	Benedictine University	IL	297	177	53	2159	1081	1368
201548	Capital University	OH	512	179	61	2030	679	211
238458	Carroll University	WI	385	289	67	2742	512	409
148496	Dominican University	IL	426	202	59	1991	1060	840
144962	Elmhurst University	IL	443	152	64	2984	704	455
147679	North Park University	IL	100	545	55	1690	792	570
240107	Viterbo University	WI	275	149	61	1326	971	660
173045	Augsburg University	MN	310	225	56	2453	730	621
180984	Concordia University-Nebraska	NE	72	250	59	1443	379	331
155089	Friends University	KS	175	154	45	1038	446	361
153366	Graceland University-Lamoni	IA	68	196	48	909	352	255
173665	Hamline University	MN	254	177	69	1882	873	685
154004	Morningside University	IA	70	291	56	1151	1063	586
179043	Rockhurst University	MO	291	166	77	2074	860	512