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- Boise State University
- California State University – Chico
- California State University – Fresno
- California State University – San Bernardino
- California State University – Northridge
- College of Charleston
- Eastern Michigan University
- Kennesaw State University
- Saint Cloud State University
- University of Central Oklahoma
- University of Houston – Downtown
- University of Northern Iowa
- Utah Valley University
- Weber State University