CLASSIFICATION AND CLIMATE ZONE GREENHOUSE GAS INVENTORY BENCHMARKING IN HIGHER EDUCATION

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ABSTRACT

The higher education field lacks benchmarking methods in the area of greenhouse gas emission inventories. This study establishes useful benchmarks by examining the measurable characteristics of climate zone, size, and residential character that affect building energy usage and emissions. Through a quantitative analysis of archival data, the effect of size, climate zone, and residential setting were confirmed for benchmarking validity. Further study could include analysis of other institutional characteristics and classifications or a further breakdown of the current study's characteristics.

Keywords: Greenhouse Gas Inventory, GHG benchmarking, building emissions, higher education benchmarking, American College and University Presidents Climate Committment

Introduction

Benchmarking is an important part of any industry, enabling the members to compare themselves with other institutions and identify best practices to emulate (Arnold, 1998). The higher education field lacks benchmarking methods in the area of greenhouse gas emission inventories. This study provides a framework establishing useful benchmarks for colleges and universities and the influence of climate zone, size (number of students), and residential character on greenhouse gas emission inventories was investigated.

Background

Francis Bacon (1973) said, "Knowledge is power" (p. 23). This is a powerful idea in that the more information a person has, the more insightful decisions they can make. Knowledge management is the practice of generating new knowledge, accessing valuable knowledge from outside sources, using this knowledge in decision making, and entrenching this knowledge in processes, products, and services to improve the business (Knowledge Management Gateway, 2008). An important component of knowledge management is the practice of benchmarking. By comparing cost, processes, or policies to another similar organization, the institution can make decisions on how make improvements or adopt best practices. In the case of greenhouse gas emission inventories in higher education, a benchmarking study has never been performed due to the lack of inventories available and the diversity of the institutions represented. This study does not an attempt to rank the institutions can identify peers with the best practices, enabling the sharing of information and improvement of efficiencies.

On average, over half of an institution's greenhouse gas emission (GHG) inventory is comprised of building energy usage (American College and University Presidents Climate Committment, 2010). There are three major measurable influences on building energy usage on college and university campuses. One of the most influential factors affecting energy usage is the climate zone of the institution, which affects

building and energy code (Institute for Sustainable Energy, 2006). The second and third influential factors are covered by the "size and setting" Carnegie classification (The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2007). The size of the institution is the number of full-time students enrolled. It can be the difference between a small college of 1,000 students and a large university of 30,000 students, resulting in fewer or more buildings needed to fulfill the mission of the institution. The setting of the institution is defined by the percentage of students that physically reside on campus. The difference would be a commuter college that has no residence halls compared to a highly residential college where 90% of the students live on campus (The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2010a).

Nature of the Study

This study is a quantitative analysis of archival data. The American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment consists of over 600 institutions that must perform a GHG inventory within the first year of the commitment. To have a larger pool of inventories within each climate zone, all of the available GHG inventories from the institutions will be used. Depending on how many are available at the time of data collection, the number of inventories will range from 550 to 600. The study will focus on "Scope 1 and 2" emissions due to their direct correlation with building energy usage (Pew Center on Global Climate Change, 2009). The data was analyzed by identifying the emissions by square foot of building and by full-time equivalent (FTE) number of students. This breakdown of the data is an accepted method of benchmarking in higher education (National Center for Education Statistics, 2010).

Permission is not needed to collect the GHG inventories from the AASHE website. Part of the climate commitment is the promise to "make the inventory reports publicly available by providing them to AASHE for posting and dissemination" (Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, 2008, p. 1). This dissemination makes the inventories public record.

The data was collected using a systematic process. The GHG inventory information (scope one and two emissions, student full time enrollment (FTE), and square feet of building) were taken off the AASHE reporting system website and entered into a spreadsheet (Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education, 2008). The GHG inventory chosen will be the institution's first inventory, ranging from 1990 to 2010. The location of the institution was compared with the climate zone map provided by the Department of Energy (2009) and the climate zone was entered into the same spreadsheet. The "size and setting" classification data was taken from the Carnegie website and entered into the spreadsheet (The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2007). Exclusion of ACUPCC institutions resulted from a lack of available classification or incomplete GHG data.

The data analysis was performed in stages. First, the spreadsheet was sorted by "size and setting". Averages of emissions were calculated in each "size and setting" variable. The averages were also broken down by emissions per FTE student and per square foot of building. The second stage of analysis re-sorted the data according to the variables of "size and setting" and climate zone. The data was then imported into a statistical analysis program. The program used the multivariate analysis of variance to examine if the climate zone and "size and setting" variables have an additive or interactive effect on the emissions.

Research Questions

The following questions guided the analysis of the greenhouse gas emission inventories. Does the "size and setting" classification have an effect on the institution's greenhouse gas emissions inventory? Does the climate zone have an effect on the institution's greenhouse gas emissions inventory? Limitations

As stated on the ACUPCC website, the diverse nature of higher education institutions makes comparisons difficult (American College and University Presidents Climate Committment, 2010). Some institutions were excluded because Carnegie data was unavailable. The "size and setting" Carnegie classification should be the same as the institutions' makeup in the year of the GHG inventory. The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching (2007) only updates the classification data every 6-7

years so the inventory could have been completed in a different year as the classification process. The most influential factors on building energy use were chosen based upon years of facility and sustainability management experience, but that does not mean that other classification factors may also have influence.

There may be some slight differences in GHG emissions from different years, depending on which version of GHG calculator used. Clean Air-Cool Planet (2010), the developer of the calculator, has made improvements to their methods and the Environmental Protection Agency has enhanced its published emissions factors over the years so the methods for calculating a greenhouse gas emission inventory have improved over time. Another limitation is that it is assumed that institutions do not take active steps to reduce emissions before measuring its greenhouse gas emissions for the first time. Once an inventory has been completed, the school usually will take active steps to reduce its energy usage. Therefore, the institution's first published GHG inventory on the AASHE website, no matter the year, will be the one collected for study.

Delimitations

Whereas this study is a quantitative analysis of archival data, the reliability is high. The number of institutions in the ACUPCC represents approximately 15% of colleges and universities in the United States. Depending on how many institutions are in each climate zone, the generalizability differs in each category. For example, climate zone 1A consists of southern Florida and Hawaii. The number of ACUPCC institutions in this climate zone may be too small for a statistically significant analysis. In contrast, the generalizability in climate zone 4A and 5A should be high because over 50% of the ACUPCC institutions reside in these two climate zones.

LITERATURE REVIEW

The purpose of this study is to provide an approach for benchmarking greenhouse gas emission inventories in higher education institutions by analyzing the affect of climate zones and size and setting classifications on greenhouse gas emissions. Because this type of study has not been performed in the past, there are no similar greenhouse gas emission inventory benchmarking studies to analyze. The literature review examines the components of the study; Carnegie classifications, greenhouse gas emission inventories, climate zones, and the benchmarking of GHG inventories in other fields.

Carnegie Classification

Since the late 1970s, higher education has been improving the way institutions are classified and described. The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching (CFAT) (2007) has been in the forefront of this process since the early 1980s. The classification system developed by the CFAT has been widely utilized to study the field of higher education by representing and organizing institutional differences. It was developed to identify meaningful institutional groupings to be used in service of education research and policy development. It assists researchers in representing the sampled institutions, students, and faculty in a well organized and proper manner. The system is organized through six all-inclusive classifications; undergraduate instructional program, graduate instructional program, enrollment profile, undergraduate profile, size and setting, and basic (The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2010c).

The classification pertinent to this study is the "size and setting" classification. This classification describes the "institutions' size and residential character" (The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2010a). According to the foundation, size is perhaps the most influential variable in the framework as size influences institutional structure, complexity, culture, finances, and other factors. The residential character of the institution is possibly the second most influential factor in energy use, as it reflects the amount of buildings needed to fulfill its educational mission and the variety of programs that an institution provides.

Several measurements create the "size and setting" classification. The first measurement is the "level of institution" in which the institutions are identified by the degree programs in length of time. If the

institution awarded less than a bachelor's degree, it was identified as a two-year institution. Four-year institutions are identified by the offering of bachelor's degrees and higher. The flow chart in Appendix A illustrates the categories within the classification.

The second measurement is the "enrollment size". Full-time equivalent (FTE) enrollment is based on a calculation of a full-time student plus a one-third part-time student (The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2010a). For two-year colleges, enrollment is based on all undergraduates, as shown in Table 1. For four-year institutions, it is based on degree-seeking students at all levels.

Table 1

Category	Description	FTE Enrollment
VS2	Very small two-year	< 500
S2	Small two-year	500-1,999
M2	Medium two-year	2,000–4,999
L2	Large two-year	5,000–9,999
VL2	Very large two-year	≥ 10,000

Carnegie Size and Setting Classifications: Two-Year Institutions

Note. Adapted from The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. (2010a). *Size & setting classification*. Retrieved from Classification description: http://classifications.carnegiefoundation.org/ descriptions/size_setting.php

The third measurement is the "residential character" of the institution. It is based on two attributes; the proportion of undergraduates who attend full-time, and the proportion of undergraduates who live in institutionally-owned or -affiliated housing. Institutions with less than 25% of undergraduates living on campus were classified as primarily nonresidential. Institutions where at least half of degree-seeking undergraduates live on campus and where at least 80% attend full-time were classified as highly residential. The remaining four-year institutions were classified as primarily residential. Where few two-year institutions serve a residential population, these institutions are classified solely on FTE enrollment, as shown in Table 2. (The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching, 2010b)

Table 2

Carnegie Size and Setting Classifications: Four-Year Institutions

Category	Description	Residential Status	FTE Enrollment
VS4/NR	Very small four-year	Primarily nonresidential (< 25%)	< 1,000
VS4/R	Very small four-year	Primarily residential (25-49%)	< 1,000
VS4/HR	Very small four-year	Highly residential ($\geq 50\%$)	< 1,000
S4/NR	Small four-year	Primarily nonresidential (<25%)	1,000–2,999
S4/R	Small four-year	Primarily residential (25-49%)	1,000–2,999
S4/HR	Small four-year	Highly residential ($\geq 50\%$)	1,000–2,999

M4/NR	Medium four-year	Primarily nonresidential (<25%)	3,000–9,999
M4/R	Medium four-year	Primarily residential (25-49%)	3,000–9,999
M4/HR	Medium four-year	Highly residential (\geq 50%)	3,000–9,999
L4/NR	Large four-year	Primarily nonresidential (<25%)	≥10,000
L4/R	Large four-year	Primarily residential (25-49%)	≥ 10,000
L4/HR	Large four-year	Highly residential ($\geq 50\%$)	≥10,000

Note. Adapted from The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. (2010a). *Size & setting classification.* Retrieved from Classification description: http://classifications.carnegiefoundation.org/ descriptions/size_setting.php

Greenhouse Gas Emission Inventory

Buildings consume over 50% of all energy generated around the world, and in the United States, 70% of electricity used by buildings is employed to provide air conditioning to the occupants (Roaf, Crichton, & Nicol, 2009). These figures are startling in their percentages and their impact on the environment. The American College & University Presidents Climate Commitment (2010) is an effort for higher education institutions to become more sustainable, reduce energy use, while educating their students in environmentally sound practices. As of January 2011, 676 institutions, representing all 50 states and over five million students have signed the commitment (American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment, 2011). The institutions who have made this commitment are positively affecting one-third of the total student population in the U.S.

To begin the process of planning for climate neutrality, the institutions must perform a greenhouse gas emission inventory within 1 year of signing the commitment. In order to complete a GHG inventory, the institutions need to understand the complexities of the process. An institution must choose a 1-year period to conduct the measurements and be consistent in future years with that time period. Greenhouse gas emission inventories use a standard set of reporting tables, in this instance the Clean Air Cool Planet calculator, so that all relevant gases, categories, and methodologies are consistent (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, 2010). The study will focus on "Scope 1 and 2" emissions due to their direct correlation with building energy usage (Pew Center on Global Climate Change, 2009).

Climate Zones

A climate zone is an area or region that "shares the same weather conditions as measured by temperature, air pressure, precipitation, humidity, sunshine, cloudiness, and winds, averaged over a series of years" (Department of Energy, 2009). Climate zones have an important affect on energy usage, in turn affecting greenhouse gas emissions. Federal, state, and local energy and building codes are based on climate zones.

The climate zone classification adopted by the U.S. Department of Energy (2009) in 2004 divides the country into 8 temperature zones and 3 humidity subzones. This division results in 17 possible climate zones for the United States. The humidity subzones (humid, dry, and marine) are an important part of the climate zone classification as they have an effect on several types of energy related performance measures (Briggs, Lucas, & Taylor, 2002).

Zone No.	Climate Zone Name and Type	Representative City
1A	Very Hot – Humid	Miami, FL
1B	Very Hot – Dry	NA
2A	Hot – Humid	Houston, TX
2B	Hot – Dry	Phoenix, AZ
3A	Warm – Humid	Memphis, TN
3B	Warm – Dry	El Paso, TX
3C	Warm – Marine	San Francisco, CA
4A	Mixed – Humid	Baltimore, MD
4B	Mixed – Dry	Albuquerque, NM
4C	Mixed – Marine	Salem, OR
5A	Cool – Humid	Chicago, IL
5B	Cool – Dry	Boise, ID
5C	Cool-Marine	NA
6A	Cold – Humid	Burlington, VT
6B	Cold – Dry	Helena, MT
7	Very Cold	Duluth, MN
8	Subarctic	Subarctic

Note. Adapted from Briggs, R., Lucas, R., & Taylor, Z. T. (2002, March 26). *Climate classification for building energy codes and standards.* Retrieved from Department of Energy Building Energy Codes Program: http://www.energycodes.gov/implement/pdfs/climate_paper_review_draft_rev.pdf.

Climate has an important measurable effect on building energy use. Architects have been aware of this affect for years. Olgyay (1963) wrote about climate objectives for building architects, designers, and engineers for each climate region.

- Cool regions: increase heat production, radiation absorption, decrease radiation loss.
- Temperate regions: balance between heat production, radiation, and convection effects on a seasonal basis.
- Hot-Arid regions: reduce heat production, conduction gain, promote evaporation and loss of radiation.
- Hot-Humid regions: reduce heat production and radiation gain, promote evaporation loss.

These climate objectives affect many things, such as the house shape, window structure, insulation requirements, roof composition, and foundation makeup. No matter what the climate, the ideal house shape should minimize heat gain in the summer and heat loss in the winter. In temperate zones, the house should face the equator to collect winter sun, have shade to block the summer sun, and be well-ventilated for the summer (Hyde, 2008). Energy code requirements differ according to the eight climate zones, as shown in climate zone building requirement map in Appendix D.

Many studies indicate that climate zone affects energy use, which in turn affects energy and building code requirements. Mago, Chamra, and Huffed (2009) conducted a study on the performance of "combined heating and power" systems in different locations and climates and found that the energy efficiency performance was directly related to the climate zone. Kunchornrat, Namprakai, and du Pont (2009) studied

climate zone influence in Thailand and found that the temperature zone affected energy conservation measures, thermal comfort and outdoor design conditions. Munther Salim (2009) studied energy use in computer data centers and found that the location's type of climate (dry, moist, or marine) made a significant difference in energy usage.

Benchmarking GHG Inventories

Awareness of greenhouse gases and their affect on the planet is on the rise, but Harvey and Grimm (2009) believed there is a lack of tools and references in this field to help institutions reach emission reduction benchmarks. In 2009, they presented a carbon emissions performance standard for basic building types using budgets for specific climate zones. The standard was based on climate zone and building type. Harvey and Grimm's (2009) intent for the new performance measure was if a company had a standard type of building (similar to the Department of Energy's Energy Star building types) the company could look at this carbon performance standard and estimate GHG emissions without having to perform an actual GHG inventory.

There is a need for more comprehensive benchmarking within different sectors of the economy and an exploration of how to account for diversity. The Association of Higher Education Facilities Officers (AHEFO) recognizes the need for a campus energy performance database. In a study performed for AHEFO, Medlin (2007) stated, "Goal-setting is blind without a reference, energy costs are becoming a greater portion of campus operating costs, institutions are missing substantial potential energy-reduction opportunities, and energy conservation needs analysis" (p. 18). In 2009, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), U.S. Energy Information Administration, and the U.S. Treasury formally recognized the need for more comprehensive production, energy, and emissions data to developing greenhouse gas benchmarks (SEI, Ross & Associates, and Oko-Institut, 2010b).

Several industries have led the charge to create standards in their field to assess GHG emissions. For example, in the global cement industry, companies share data on emissions per ton of cement so they can compare the efficiency of their manufacturing plants. The steel, aluminum, and petroleum refining industries have created similar benchmarks (SEI et al., 2010b). The use of benchmarks to improve energy efficiency has been an accepted practice in these industries for many years while the use of GHG benchmarks is still in development. The AHEFO has recently added energy benchmarking to their annual Facilities Core Data Survey, resulting in annual Facilities Performance Indicators, but it has not gone as far as to add greenhouse gases (Medlin, 2007). Table 4 summarizes several of the industries in the process of developing GHG benchmarks and how they may use them.

Table 4

Sector	Program	Use of benchmark	Basis for benchmark
Cement	Cement Sustainability Initiative	Voluntary industry comparison	Average of existing facilities
Steel	International Iron and Steel Institute EcoTech program	Voluntary industry comparison	Hypothetical plant employing commercially available, cost- effective energy-saving technologies

Industry GHG Energy Benchmark Programs

Aluminum	Proposed European Union Benchmark for primary aluminum	Basis for allocating emissions allowances	Top 10% most carbon- efficient installations in Europe
Electricity	Clean Development Mechanism	Baseline against which emission reductions are estimated	Standardized baseline methodology based on local power plant data and plans
Various	U.S. EPA Energy Star	Basis for awarding Energy Star label/designation	Top 25th percentile of energy performance

Note. Adapted from SEI, Ross & Associates, and Oko-Institut. (2010b, June 30). *Issues and options for benchmarking industrial ghg emissions*. Retrieved from Washington State Department of Ecology:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/climatechange/docs/Benchmarking_White_Paper_Final.pdf

GHG benchmarking in other industries has mainly been used as a management tool for identifying the potential for economic improvement. Such is the case in the Netherlands. The country signed a voluntary agreement for their industries to become as energy efficient as the most efficient industry in the world (Neelis, Worrell, Mueller, & Angelini, 2009). Each company can develop their own benchmarking methodology, which is then verified by a national energy agency. Similar to the Netherlands, the petroleum industry has created a database of global energy use which feeds an extensively used benchmarking methodology (SEI et al., 2010a).

Benchmarking GHG emissions is also becoming a political hot topic that may result in regulations to restrict emissions. The U.S. EPA issued a report in December 2009 that stated greenhouse gases "endanger both the public health and the public welfare of current and future generations" (SEI et al., 2010a). To approach the possible regulation of GHG emissions, discussion has begun within the government on how to standardize the approach. The EPA has developed a "sector-based" benchmark methodology to project "business-as-usual" GHG improvements and reduction goals as part of its Climate Leaders Partnership (Tonkonogy et al., 2007). In this program, a "Climate Leader" would differentiate itself by setting GHG reduction goals as compared to the sector performance benchmark.

Benchmarking in the GHG emissions field is growing and will continue to have challenges as the process is defined in each industry and data is collected and studied (Medlin, 2007). However, the benefits outweigh the challenges. The outcomes allow facility managers and administrators to set realistic energy conservation goals, allow comparisons for developing emissions reduction planning, improve facilities planning, and establish quantifiable goals for continuous improvement (Briselden, 1998).

METHODOLOGY

Research Design

This study is a descriptive quantitative analysis of archival data. It utilizes a snapshot in time in that it only uses 1 year of an institution's greenhouse gas emission inventory. The first research question is "Does the "size and setting" classification have an effect on the institution's greenhouse gas emissions inventory?" The second research question is "Does the climate zone have an effect on the institution's greenhouse gas emissions inventory?" The second research question is "Does the climate zone have an effect on the institution's greenhouse gas emissions inventory?" The analysis anticipated establishing an association between the dependent variables (emissions per student and emissions per square foot) and the independent variables

(climate zone and "size and setting" classification), so that benchmarks can be established for the institutions. If the analysis showed there are significant differences in the means of the emissions based on the differences in climate zone and "size and setting", the variables are good options for benchmarking parameters.

Selection of Subjects

The ACUPCC consists of over 600 institutions that must perform a GHG inventory within the first year of signing the commitment. To have a greater chance of higher numbers within each climate zone and "size and setting" combination, all of the available GHG inventories from the institutions will be used. Depending on how many are available at the time of data collection, the number of inventories ranged from 500 to 600.

Permission is not needed to obtain the GHG inventories from the AASHE website. Part of the climate commitment is the promise to "make the inventory reports publicly available by providing them to AASHE for posting and dissemination" (American College and University Presidents Climate Committeent, 2007, p. 1). This dissemination makes the inventories public record.

Methodological Limitations

Some institutions were excluded because CFAT data was unavailable. The "size and setting" classification should be the same as the institutions' makeup in the year of the GHG inventory. There may be slight differences in GHG emissions depending on which version of GHG calculator used.

Instrumentation

The software used for this analysis is the IBM SPSS Statistics program, Version 18, with the Advanced Statistics module. SPSS is one of the most widely used statistical software programs in the social sciences (IBM, 2010). The "Advanced Statistics" module is one of the only software programs that can perform type of variance analysis needed in this study.

Data Collection

The data was collected in the following manner. The institution's first GHG inventory was taken from the AASHE website. The "Scope 1 and 2" emissions, student full-time enrollment (FTE), and total square feet of buildings from the AASHE website were entered into SPSS. The location of the institution was compared with the climate zone map provided by the Department of Energy (2009) and that climate zone was entered into SPSS. "Size and setting" data is available from 2004 and 2010 on the CFAT website. The year of the GHG inventory was compared to the closest year of the CFAT data and that Carnegie classification data was entered into SPSS. For example, if the institution completed its' GHG inventory in 2005, the 2004 Carnegie data will be used. If the institution's GHG inventory is from 2008, the 2010 Carnegie data will be used. Exclusion of ACUPCC institutions resulted from a lack of available Carnegie classification or GHG data.

Data Analysis

An analysis of variance is used to test hypotheses about differences between two or more means. If the means in each group are equal, the independent variables (climate zone and "size and setting") do not have a significant effect on the dependent variables (emissions by square foot and student FTE). Because there are two independent and two dependent variables, a multivariate analysis of variance (MANOVA) test is best suited for this study. The multivariate F value was based on a comparison of the error covariance and the effect covariance, due to the probable correlation of the variable (Lane, 2007). The significance level is p < .05. Univariate *F* tests were also performed to analyze the individual effects of the independent variables.

Interpretation

If the multivariate test is significant, the conclusion is that the combined effect of the independent variables is significant. If the results are significant, the identification of average emissions per independent variable will be provided in the findings section, with the "best practice" institution identified.

RESULTS

Population Demographics

There were 538 inventories available for analysis. Table 5 shows the number of institutions categorized by climate zone. The institutions residing in climates zones 4A, 5A, and 6A represent 61% of the population studied.

Table 5

Zone	Climate & Humidity Zone	# of Inventories
1A	Very Hot – Humid	3
2A	Hot – Humid	25
2B	Hot – Dry	7
3A	Warm – Humid	41
3B	Warm – Dry	41
3C	Warm – Marine	13
4A	Mixed – Humid	99
4B	Mixed – Dry	4
4C	Mixed – Marine	30
5A	Cool – Humid	162
5B	Cool – Dry	24
6A	Cold – Humid	69
6B	Cold – Dry	7
7A	Very Cold – Humid	11
7B	Very Cold – Dry	1
7C	Very Cold - Marine	1

Dividing the institutions by humidity levels, 76% reside in a humid climate (A), 16% in a dry climate (B), and 8% in a marine climate (C), as shown in Figure 1. There were no institutions to represent zones 1B, 5C, and 8.



Figure 1. Humidity Zone Population Distribution

Table 6 presents the distribution of inventories across the "size and setting" classification. 28% of the inventories were from two-year schools.

Table 6

Population	n hv	"Size	and	Setting	<i>,</i> "
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Size & Setting	Description	# of Inventories
-2	Special focus institution	14
1	Very small two-year	4
2	Small two-year	17
3	Medium two-year	70
4	Large two-year	39
5	Very large two-year	19
6	Very small four-year, primarily nonresidential	10
7	Very small four-year, primarily residential	7
8	Very small four-year, highly residential	25
9	Small four-year, primarily nonresidential	13
10	Small four-year, primarily residential	18
11	Small four-year, highly residential	84
12	Medium four-year, primarily nonresidential	23
13	Medium four-year, primarily residential	54
14	Medium four-year, highly residential	35
15	Large four-year, primarily nonresidential	51
16	Large four-year, primarily residential	40
17	Large four-year, highly residential	13
18	Exclusively graduate/professional	2

Of the four-year institutions, 18% were primarily non-residential, 22% were primarily residential, and 29% were highly residential, as shown in Figure 2.



Figure 2. "Size and Setting" Population Distribution

Data Analysis

Several statistical tests were run in the SPSS software to analyze the data. A multivariate analysis of variance (*MANOVA*) was completed in three different variable combinations. A univariate analysis of variance (*ANOVA*) was completed in six different variable combinations. The customary significance level of p < .05 was used for all tests. When the p level is less than the significance level, the results were statistically significant.

Summary

All three *MANOVA* tests returned insignificant results when the Emissions per Square Foot and Emissions per FTE dependent variables were combined. When the dependent and independent variables were analyzed separately through *ANOVA* tests, several combinations returned significant results. Emissions per Square Foot by Climate Zone, Emissions per Square Foot by Size, and Emissions per FTE by "Size and Setting" had significant results. Results of all nine statistical tests are available at *http://drsharonjaye.webs.com*.

Discussion of Findings

The first research question asked, "Does the "size and setting" classification have an effect on the institution's greenhouse gas emissions inventory?" The answer is yes. The "size and setting" classification has an effect on both the emissions per square foot and emissions per FTE. The second research question asked, "Does the climate zone have an effect on the institution's greenhouse gas emissions inventory?" This answer is yes and no. The climate zone has an effect on emissions when measured by square feet, but not by FTE.

The *MANOVA* tests analyzed the variables' combined effect on emissions. When the dependent and independent variables were merged, the combined effect was not significant. When analyzed separately through univariate tests, there were several tests that had significant results. In the square foot analysis, emissions were affected independently by climate zone and by "size and setting." When analyzing the emissions per FTE, only the "size and setting" variable was significant. For each test that combined the independent variable, insignificant results were found.

The results were surprising at first, but after some thought, made sense. Due to small number of institutions represented in each size/zone combination, the data set does not yet allow for such minute analysis. The comparison of 16 climate zones to 19 "size and setting" classifications resulted in too many subsections of data. Having only one school per size/zone combination would have resulted in a data set of at least 304 schools. With a population of 538 institutions represented, there was a high probability that there were not enough institutions within each combination to make the results statistically significant. By breaking down the data into analysis by just zone or just size, each individual combination was more numerous in population, resulting in a more significant result. The results do show that each independent variable does have an effect on the institution's emissions and should be considered when benchmarking.

Emissions per Square Foot by Climate Zone

The mean average of emissions per square foot in each climate/humidity zone is represented by Figure 3. This illustrates how the climate zone and humidity levels affect emissions. Evaluating the basic climate zones based on temperature (zones 1-7) there is a general slope downward in emissions as the climate gets colder. The higher the average temperature, the higher level of emissions emitted during energy consumption. Evaluating the data by humidity levels, the humid (A) and dry (B) climates had very similar emissions, showing that between those climates, the humidity has less of an impact. The marine (C) climate had a significantly lower emissions curve than A and B in emissions per square foot, except in climate zone 7, meaning a school in California should not compare themselves to a school in Virginia.



Figure 3. Emissions per Square Foot by Climate & Humidity Zone

Emissions per Square Foot by "Size and Setting"

The mean average of emissions per square foot by the "size and setting" classification is represented in Figure 4. The emission differences between the residential settings show how the number of buildings needed to fulfill the institution's missions can affect emissions. It shows how the more buildings on campus, the more energy used, in turn emitting more greenhouse gas emissions. For the more nonresidential schools, the emissions did not change significantly between the different size categories. So a very small two-year school could compare themselves against a very large two-year school and be confident in the benchmark. The more residential schools did show differences in the emissions per square foot depending on their size. So a very small highly residential school would not want to compare themselves against a large highly residential school. Interestingly, there seems to be an economy of scale between the small and medium residential schools, whereas the medium institutions showed fewer emissions per square foot. Comparing each residential category against the other, there were significant differences. In benchmarking, this would mean a highly residential institution should not compare themselves to a nonresidential school.



Figure 4. Emissions per Square Foot by "Size and Setting"

Emissions per FTE by "Size and Setting"

Just as in square foot analysis for "size and setting", the same conclusions can be made in analyzing emissions per student FTE for the "size and setting" classification. Emissions differed significantly between the different residential settings, while the slope of each emissions group followed similar lines.

Among two-year institutions, the emissions per student did not change significantly across the different size institutions, so that a very small two-year school could compare themselves again a large two-year school with confidence. But in comparing two-year and four-year institutions, the differences were significant, especially between the medium and large institutions. This analysis also shows a possible economy of scale between the small and medium four-year residential institutions. The differences between each residential setting were apparent, as shown in Figure 5. This demonstrates that in benchmarking, schools should compare themselves to others with similar residential settings.



Figure 5. Emissions per FTE by "Size and Setting"

Benchmarks

From the results of the statistical tests, it would seem that creating three separate benchmark lists, one for each statistically significant test, would be appropriate. When attempting to create these tables, a pattern emerged. In the climate zone results, the zones that had emissions data from marine climates were identified because a school from a marine climate will most likely always have a lower emissions factor. In the "size and setting" results, the two year school with the lowest emissions was always the best practice school. So while it is important to recognize that the individual tests results are important, they do not function well for benchmarks. To benchmark higher education institutions, both the climate zone and "size and setting" must be considered.

A listing of each school in the data set with their climate zone and "size and setting" classification in alphabetical order is available at <u>http://drsharonjaye.webs.com</u>. A catalog of the benchmarks by square footage and by student FTE, first listed by climate zone, then by "size and setting" is also available. At the beginning of each section, the average emission of that group is listed, with the best practice school highlighted in bold. To determine how it is ranked and identify a comparable best practice school, an institution should locate its climate zone and "size and setting" classification in the alphabetical listing. Then the institution can locate its ranking within the benchmarks lists. The emissions are reported in metric tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (MT CO2e). Several zone/size groupings do not currently have benchmarks. If the grouping only has one school, then that school would be considered the "best practice" school until another institution in that group performs an inventory. Institutions in a group by themselves could compare themselves to the group closest to them in climate zone, size, and residential setting.

Recommendations for Implementation

Benchmarking greenhouse gas emissions for higher education institutions is as diverse as the institutions represented in this study. Emissions should be considered on a square foot and per student basis. Climate zone and "size and setting" should be considered when benchmarking emissions. The benchmarks should be revisited every year to take advantage of new inventories as institutions complete the first step of the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment.

Indications for Further Research

Because this field is so new and this study is the first of its kind, there are endless opportunities for further research. The data could be analyzed by temperature climate zone without the humidity levels to allow for more institutions within each category. Analysis of the differences between the eight climate zones should be analyzed to determine if zones can be combined for benchmarking purposes, such as 2 & 3, 4 & 5, and 6 & 7, to allow for a greater population to be used in the statistical tests. Two-year and four-year institutions could be analyzed separately. The differences between the size of the school and the residential character within the four year category could be explored in depth to determine the economies of scale. The differences between emissions per square foot and emissions per student FTE could be analyzed. And when additional inventories become available, the data could be recalculated with univariate combinations. In addition to different combinations of this study's variables, other variables could be studied, such as endowment size, public vs. private ownership, enrollment profiles and many others. The possibilities for further research are endless!

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APPENDIX E

Emissions per Square Foot and Emissions per FTE by Climate Zone

and "Size and Setting" Descriptive Statistics

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	Zone				
	Size		Mean	Std. Deviation	Ν
EmisSqFT	1A	15	.024911234500	.0145293833596	2
		16	.012853200000		1
		Total	.020891889667	.0124103541074	3
	2A	3	.015294191750	.0046425184322	4
		4	.010339892000		1
		5	.020917304660	.0220455676405	5
		8	.010770493000	.0013882542582	2
		9	.013952045000		1
		11	.017502758000	.0077968450405	2
		12	.012794070000	.0043284155681	2
		13	.009436962000		1
		14	.016593833000	.0084625790039	2
		15	.020144723250	.0053319974327	4
		16	.012471812000		1
		Total	.016314608092	.0104251390352	25
	2B	3	.017725318000	.0077267085331	2
		4	.015518897000	.0018397065827	2
		5	.016551430000		1
		15	.015601051500	.0067425537795	2
		Total	.016320280429	.0043754862419	7
	3A	-2	.022542302000		1
		1	.015274693000	.0078160741023	2
		2	.028890594125	.0387380774657	4
		3	.016634239667	.0049649686744	3
		4	.011657023000	.0012694674172	3
		7	.011500069000		1
		8	.012570791000	.0006702170204	2
		9	.010078022000	.0015069265751	2
		10	.006870768850	.0086788124697	2
		11	.013384280200	.0012282403758	5
		12	.012724018000		1
		13	.017093906000		1

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	15	.017561552857	.0070784096862	7
	16	.017664329333	.0044139330305	6
	17	.023447143000		1
	Total	.016418790224	.0125226300328	41
3B	2	.024820976500	.0203478369644	2
	3	.008003394843	.0061110915802	7
	4	.006915859971	.0037845100098	7
	5	.008320258660	.0025644887071	5
	6	.003493429600		1
	8	.006458317800	.0013148902326	2
	11	.011833551450	.0116612654059	4
	12	.006849308000		1
	13	.007585658500	.0027557711959	2
	14	.009319576000		1
	15	.011199589300	.0028249261309	5
	16	.013440765625	.0050672358071	4
	Total	.009768866122	.0070352251121	41
3C	-2	.014748870000		1
	3	.010361244000		1
	4	.009660473825	.0056270334405	4
	5	.005013591600		1
	6	.003948576700		1
	13	.008454043000		1
	14	.009593014000		1
	15	.006517402400		1
	16	.008863683500	.0017931146098	2
	Total	.008846615692	.0039030526694	13
4A	-2	.014441024250	.0073599997744	2
	2	.009263281800	.0020743216994	3
	3	.015517156371	.0067052540130	7
	4	.014579112600	.0030240065235	5
	5	.009873709150	.0111689776709	2
	7	.010566682000	.0053605213538	2
	8	.012886195550	.0053825400850	6
	9	.008579254000		1
	10	.018691411020	.0151026519997	5
	11	.013457245711	.0041182427814	19
	12	.012351664600	.0050188921871	5

	13	.014070494429	.0037068164928	14
	14	.016326500167	.0051498448443	6
	15	.014164313333	.0054557227792	9
	16	.021639494125	.0059211796634	8
	17	.020020320000	.0057369705220	5
	Total	.014863738421	.0062503017756	99
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	2	.012313710500		1
	6	.010313677000		1
	15	.017707890000		1
	Total	.014784880125	.0041149160117	4
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	3	.011220836267	.0128985157544	6
	4	.007326334150	.0046189117922	2
	5	.008526658000		1
	6	.000724584115	.0005917223482	2
	9	.007284011600	.0070516328406	2
	11	.006420364300	.0027851736814	4
	12	.007097626433	.0022005543383	3
	13	.006580465500		1
	14	.004301222933	.0025212575164	3
	15	.009402439325	.0062812411005	4
	16	.014485923000		1
	Total	.007525595048	.0069224417142	30
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	2	.018408263500	.0137389030320	2
	3	.015966094111	.0133182066021	27
	4	.018725568708	.0079320176242	12
	5	.022455898750	.0146119392851	4
	7	.005463333300		1
	8	.008495468267	.0035454821865	9
	9	.015963858500	.0047240057497	2
	10	.012949719000	.0042331093610	6
	11	.011589447407	.0040437922874	28
	12	.010371230186	.0048552969820	7
	13	.011317059440	.0047988272701	15
	14	.010901659567	.0041240697213	18
	15	.010222286000	.0018948050199	4

	16	.016165966955	.0066394836662	11
	17	.012499990500	.0023582051638	6
	18	.006705882500		1
	Total	.013736251427	.0094992930823	162
5B	2	.038238477000		1
	3	.026005074000		1
	4	.008704908000		1
	6	.009323489767	.0016916815496	3
	9	.005136741000		1
	10	.011216516000		1
	11	.013795838500	.0048483561341	2
	12	.013770520000	.0012585468329	2
	13	.009144368567	.0037942577611	3
	15	.017070916000	.0052680203476	7
	16	.011785707500	.0002083511344	2
	Total	.014287743125	.0074673007682	24
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	1	.009466726000		1
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	4	.016862998500	.0090493284328	2
	6	.004306666600	•	1
	7	.011002014750	.0032730958203	2
	8	.008007106333	.0027940629883	3
	9	.009493715500	.0017988591452	2
	10	.012928986000	.0047498541927	3
	11	.011072485621	.0038432470164	19
	12	.010570460250	.0054532750252	2
	13	.012467093523	.0024057825385	13
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	15	.012421978000		1
	16	.021434384500	.0053505037721	2
	17	.008872897000		1
	18	.004274471000	•	1
	Total	.012125703858	.0045578187451	69
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	9	.006645051000		1
	13	.011991686000		1

		15	.012021011533	.0051915093613	3
		16	.010668812000		1
		Total	.010402590729	.0038121962097	7
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		9	.008661300000	•	1
		11	.015248870000	•	1
		13	.013823667000	.0044432511236	2
		16	.022349996000	•	1
		Total	.012215630264	.0051426960935	11
	7B	10	.011046068000	•	1
		Total	.011046068000	•	1
	7C	15	.014977804000		1
		Total	.014977804000		1
	Total	-2	.019895743643	.0186159361102	14
		1	.014705088750	.0059437199979	4
		2	.018385485824	.0206619406351	17
		3	.014326656473	.0100932939290	70
		4	.013284298228	.0070031980139	39
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		6	.005893153893	.0037833545537	10
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		8	.009767713544	.0040610896874	25
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		10	.013663691600	.0089396553142	18
		11	.012004197020	.0046664869243	84
		12	.010847532178	.0042712279511	23
		13	.012085626826	.0039825468958	54
		14	.011636873571	.0050710308976	35
		15	.014778323996	.0063972938098	51
		16	.016692198050	.0061201538753	40
		17	.015955506385	.0059160941841	13
		18	.005490176750	.0017192675595	2
		Total	.013323357428	.0083478946438	538
EmisFTE	1A	15	4.18878150000	.243678613449	2
		16	9.14516300000		1

	Total	5.84090866667	2.866751150316	3
2A	3	1.28405281250	.581413373519	4
	4	1.18750000000		1
	5	1.54967206800	1.053484864091	5
	8	5.79290890000	2.177288269555	2
	9	2.93342200000		1
	11	8.83944250000	3.325465916271	2
	12	2.54161170000	.875714413261	2
	13	2.59810200000		1
	14	11.33981085000	8.236124026738	2
	15	5.07316770000	3.407785559431	4
	16	8.72682000000		1
	Total	4.22602537160	4.011300380266	25
2B	3	1.44867725000	.636612831296	2
	4	.75103150000	.624145619505	2
	5	.96703110000		1
	15	3.44350320000	.551735339527	2
	Total	1.75049357143	1.266600254844	7
3A	-2	40.76920700000		1
	1	3.10993865000	2.775801904638	2
	2	1.62015663500	.670010062798	4
	3	2.35794890000	1.392629612303	3
	4	.77868206667	.205592061063	3
	7	9.01889500000		1
	8	9.72083950000	4.235225258305	2
	9	2.58235535000	.112378854388	2
	10	2.13393720000	1.078732124051	2
	11	9.44478006000	2.077152893289	5
	12	2.59678840000		1
	13	7.20851400000		1
	15	4.24509110000	1.844971642261	7
	16	6.77983642933	1.434094869133	6
	17	16.50037400000		1
	Total	5.96821941015	6.711674615711	41
3B	2	3.97250321500	4.657177490893	2
	3	.34990922714	.192396436133	7
	4	.39585451000	.388937290049	7
	5	.42289234400	.225959130727	5

	6	.21664275000		1
	8	4.11326325000	2.941843163361	2
	11	7.48688517500	7.379755020219	4
	12	1.02166440000		1
	13	2.01045460000	1.041300153796	2
	14	2.49879930000		1
	15	3.47268864000	2.754302637423	5
	16	6.11032875000	1.727969846161	4
	Total	2.51260135024	3.514716263963	41
3C	-2	48.77100400000		1
	3	.61328360000		1
	4	.40663654500	.178338394598	4
	5	.33762947000		1
	6	.75994110000		1
	13	2.48212220000		1
	14	3.23995100000		1
	15	.82607640000		1
	16	2.78128265000	.057880437706	2
	Total	4.93993225000	13.216190236836	13
4A	-2	10.13975785000	9.956072176520	2
	2	.98478149533	.798059385486	3
	3	1.30099686271	.870801877314	7
	4	1.15085744600	.557353396059	5
	5	.89877375000	.917504636162	2
	7	5.67709630000	2.288583199958	2
	8	10.72274973050	5.671054133015	6
	9	2.04340360000		1
	10	7.23859987600	6.217261782847	5
	11	8.58179503421	3.669380430217	19
	12	3.51878762000	2.234389870008	5
	13	3.87189851579	1.835456454933	14
	14	8.93640533333	3.860645025999	6
	15	4.00400768889	3.189580577087	9
	16	9.80386867500	5.326323514852	8
	17	12.40175644000	8.653584861967	5
	Total	6.25018810797	5.152786793322	99
4B	1	4.00354000000		1
	2	1.98765430000		1

	6	.96027803000		1
	15	5.70319560000		1
	Total	3.16366698250	2.112859120562	4
4C	2	.12780829000		1
	3	.79198382833	1.231372145470	6
	4	.57903338000	.239132369394	2
	5	.74946770000		1
	6	.16317625300	.193303459444	2
	9	1.36647190000	1.079436260983	2
	11	2.90917702500	.873119663939	4
	12	2.65392470000	1.248763426961	3
	13	1.67993200000		1
	14	1.52349828333	1.009260278298	3
	15	3.55545210000	2.319278437252	4
	16	2.23158650000		1
	Total	1.73829486587	1.563423137741	30
5A	-2	18.52745785444	46.375979310923	9
	2	2.78959445000	2.016286631572	2
	3	2.40669679441	2.855304107466	27
	4	2.29261010775	1.426751064222	12
	5	1.80040988500	2.021180112754	4
	7	4.46594000000		1
	8	7.87651724444	4.840977410912	9
	9	2.56518795000	.070491121463	2
	10	5.40331136667	1.474034260234	6
	11	7.54992398204	3.540308547592	28
	12	2.23010477000	1.334874348720	7
	13	3.05624948393	1.944247897932	15
	14	5.92556531111	5.043458714701	18
	15	3.83503567500	2.486131303159	4
	16	5.73606172727	3.550721294718	11
	17	5.40451763333	2.101728428527	6
	18	.58641976000		1
	Total	5.40671477270	11.427253995311	162
5B	2	1.69920780000		1
	3	11.50922400000		1
	4	.81106530000		1
	6	2.16685096667	.617828185571	3

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Allegheny College	ennsylvania	5A	11	
American University DC	C	4A	14	
Antioch University Los Angeles Ca	alifornia	ЗB	6	
Antioch University New England	ew Hampshire	5A	18	
Antioch University, Seattle	ashington	4C	6	
Appalachian State University No	orth Carolina	5A	16	
Aquinas College Mi	ichigan	5A	11	
Arizona State University Ar	rizona	2B	15	
Auburn University Ala	abama	ЗA	15	
Augsburg College Mi	innesota	6A	10	
Austin College Te	exas	3A	11	
Austin Community College Te	exas	2A	თ	
Babson College Mi	assachusetts	5A	ż	
Ball State University Inc	diana	5A	16	
Bard College	ew York	AC 2	: 2	
Bellevue Community College W	ane ashinoton	4C	4	
Bemidji State University Mi	innesota	7A	13	
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Bergen Community College Ne	ew Jersey	5A	4	
Berkshire Community College Mi	assachusetts	5A	2	
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Bethany College W	est Virginia	5A	8	
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Bryn Mawr College Pe	ennsylvania	4A	11	
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Carteret Community College	North Carolina	ЗA	2
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Catawba College	North Carolina	ЗA	10
Cedar Valley College	Texas	ЗA	ω
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Central Washington University	Washington	5B	13
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Centre College	Kentucky	4A	11
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Chabot College	California	3C	4
Chaffey College	California	ЗB	4
Chandler-Gilbert Community College	Arizona	2B	ω
Chatham University	Pennsylvania	5A	8
Cincinnati State Technical & Community College	Ohio	4A	4
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Clark University	Massachusetts	5A	11
Clemson University	South Carolina	3A	16
Coastline Community College	California	ЗB	ω
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Colby College	Maine	6A	11
Colby-Sawyer College	New Hampshire	6A	∞
Colgate University	New York	6A	11
College of Lake County	Illinois	5A	4
College of Marin	California	3C	ω
College of Menominee Nation	Wisconsin	6A	
College of Saint Benedict	Minnesota	6A	11
College of Saint Rose	New York	5A	13
College of the Atlantic	Maine	6A	7
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Los Angeles Pierce College	California	3B	4	
Los Angeles Southwest College	California	3B	ω	
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McDaniel College	Maryland	4A	1	
McLennan Community College	Texas	2A	ω	

Medical University of South Carolina	South Carolina	3A	-2	
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Middlebury College	Vermont	6A	11	
Middlesex Community College	Massachusetts	5A	ω	
Mills College	California	ЗB	11	
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Mississippi State University	Mississippi	ЗA	15	
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New College of Florida	Florida	2A	8	
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Ohio University	Ohio	5A	16	
Olympic College	Washington	4C	ω	
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Oregon Institute of Technology	Oregon	5B	9	
Oregon State University	Oregon	4C	15	
Pacific Lutheran University	Washington	4C	14	
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Park University	Missouri	4A	12	
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Peninsula College	Washington	4C	3	
Pennsylvania State University - Penn State Berks	Pennsylvania	4A	10	
Pine Manor College	Massachusetts	5A	8	
Pitzer College	California	ЗB	8	
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Point Loma Nazarene University	California	ЗB	11	
Pomona College	California	ЗB	11	
Portland Community College	Oregon	4C	თ	
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Pratt Institute	New York	4A	-2	
Prescott College	Arizona	4B	6	
Purchase College, State University of New York	New York	4A	14	
Quinsigamond Community College	Massachusetts	5A	ω	
Radford University	Virginia	4A	13	
Ramapo College of New Jersey	New Jersey	5A	14	
Randolph College	Virginia	4A	ω	
Rhodes College	Tennessee	ЗA	11	
Rice University	Texas	2A	14	
Richland College	Texas	ЗA	4	
Rider University	New Jersey	5A	14	
Rio Salado College	Arizona	2B	4	
Rochester Community and Technical College	New York	6A	ω	
Rochester Institute of Technology	New York	5A	17	
Roger Williams University	Rhode Island	5A	14	
Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology	Indiana	5A	-2	
Rosemont College	Pennsylvania	4A	7	
Rowan University	New Jersey	4A	13	
Saint John's University	Minnesota	6A	11	
Saint Joseph's College of Maine	Maine	6A	9	
Saint Norbert College	Wisconsin	6A	11	
Saint Peter's College	New Jersey	4A	10	
Saint Xavier University	Illinois	5A	12	

Salem State College	Massachusetts	5A	12
Salisbury University	Maryland	4A	13
San Antonio College	Texas	2A	Сī
San Francisco State University	California	3C	15
San Joaquin Delta College	California	ЗB	J
Santa Clara University	California	3C	13
Santa Fe Community College	New Mexico	5B	2
Santa Monica College	California	ЗB	Сī
School for International Training	Vermont	6A	18
School of the Arts Institute Chicago	Illinois	5A	-2
Scottsdale Community College	Arizona	2B	4
Seattle Pacific University	Washington	4C	14
Seattle University	Washington	4C	13
Sewanee: The University of the South	Tennessee	4A	11
Shoreline Community College	Washington	4C	ω
Simmons College	Massachusetts	5A	14
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Southern Connecticut State University	Connecticut	5A	13
Southern New Hampshire University	New Hampshire	5A	13
Southern Polytechnic State University	Georgia	ЗA	9
Southwestern College	Kansas	4A	7
Springfield College	Massachusetts	5A	14
St. Catherine University	Minnesota	6A	13
St. Clair County Community College	Michigan	5A	ω
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St. Lawrence University	New York	6A	11
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15	2B	Arizona	University of Arizona
15	7C	Alaska	University of Alaska, Anchorage
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11	4A	Kentucky	Transylvania University
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ω	6A	New York	Tompkins Cortland Community College
6	6B	Montana	The University of Montana Western
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13	4A	New York	The New School University
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12	4C	Washington	The Evergreen State College
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University of Delaware	Delaware	4A	16	
University of Denver	Colorado	5B	13	
University of Florida	Florida	2A	15	
University of Hawai'i at Manoa	Hawai'i	1A	15	
University of Houston-Downtown	Texas	2A	12	
University of Houston-Victoria	Texas	2A	9	
University of Idaho	Idaho	5A	16	
University of Illinois at Chicago	Illinois	5A	15	
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	Illinois	5A	16	
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University of Maine at Fort Kent	Maine	7A	7	
University of Maine at Machias	Maine	6A	7	
University of Maine at Presque Isle	Maine	6A	10	
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University of Maryland, College Park	Maryland	4A	16	
University of Maryland, Eastern Shore	Maryland	4A	14	
University of Maryland, University College	Maryland	4A	15	
University of Massachusetts Amherst	Massachusetts	5A	17	
University of Massachusetts Boston	Massachusetts	5A	12	
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University of Memphis	Tennessee	3A	15	
University of Miami	Florida	1A	16	
University of Minnesota, Crookston	Minnesota	7A	11	
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University of Minnesota, Morris	Minnesota	6A	11	
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities	Minnesota	6A	16	
University of Mississippi	Mississippi	3A	16	
University of Missouri - Columbia	Missouri	4A	16	
University of Missouri - Kansas City	Missouri	4A	15	
University of Missouri - Saint Louis	Missouri	4A	12	
University of Mount Union	Ohio	5A	11	
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University of Nevada, Reno	Nevada	5B	15	
University of New England	Maine	6A	1	
University of New Hampshire	New Hampshire	5A	17	
University of New Mexico Main Campus	New Mexico	4B	15	
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University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	North Carolina	4A	16	
University of North Carolina at Charlotte	North Carolina	3A	16	

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4	зC	California	Victor Valley College
2	7A	Minnesota	Vermilion Community College
ъ	2A	Florida	Valencia Community College
12	2A	Georgia	Valdosta State University
15	6B	Utah	Utah State University
11	4A	Pennsylvania	Ursinus College
15	6B	Wyoming	University of Wyoming
13	6A	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin-Whitewater
13	6A	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin-Stout
13	6A	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point
13	6A	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin-River Falls
13	6A	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh
13	6A	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin-Green Bay
13	6A	Wisconsin	University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire
9	4C	Washington	University of Washington Tacoma
15	4C	Washington	University of Washington Seattle
9	4C	Washington	University of Washington Bothell
14	6A	Vermont	University of Vermont
15	5B	Utah	University of Utah
15	5A	Ohio	university of Toledo Main Campus
16	4A	Tennessee	University of Tennessee, Knoxville
13	4A	Tennessee	University of Tennessee, Chattanooga Campus
16	ЗA	Mississippi	University of Southern Mississippi
12	6A	Maine	University of Southern Maine
15	2A	Florida	University of South Florida
12	3A	South Carolina	University of South Carolina Upstate
-	ЗA	South Carolina	University of South Carolina Union
2	ЗA	South Carolina	University of South Carolina Sumter
-	3A	South Carolina	University of South Carolina Salkehatchie
16	3A	South Carolina	University of South Carolina Columbia
2	ЗA	South Carolina	University of South Carolina Beaufort
9	ЗA	South Carolina	University of South Carolina Aiken
13	6A	Minnesota	University of Saint Thomas
14	4A	Virginia	University of Richmond
16	5A	Rhode Island	University of Rhode Island
14	3B	California	University of Redlands
11	4C	Washington	University of Puget Sound
14	4C	Oregon	University of Portland
17	4A	Pennsylvania	University of Pennsylvania
15	4C	Oregon	University of Oregon
16	ЗA	Oklahoma	University of Oklahoma Norman Campus
15	3A	Texas	University of North Texas
16	7A	North Dakota	University of North Dakota

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		LACK OF CARNEGIE	Bridgemont Community & Technical College
		LACK OF CARNEGIE	Bainbridge Graduate Institute
		LACK OF CARNEGIE	Anaheim University
		LACK OF CARNEGIE	American Public University System
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14	44	New York	Veshiva I Iniversity
13	4A	Ohio	Xavier Universitv
12	5A	Massachusetts	Worcester State College
1	ЗA	South Carolina	Wofford College
13	6A	Minnesota	Winona State University
7	5A	Pennsylvania	Wilson College
2	3A	North Carolina	Wilson (Technical) Community College
12	5A	New Jersey	William Paterson University of New Jersey
11	4C	Oregon	Willamette University
10	5A	Pennsylvania	Wilkes University
11	5B	Washington	Whitworth University
8	5A	Massachusetts	Wheelock College
10	5B	Utah	Westminster College Utah
16	4C	Washington	Western Washington University
10	7B	Colorado	Western State College of Colorado
12	4C	Oregon	Western Oregon University
15	5A	Michigan	Western Michigan University
ω	5A	Iowa	Western Iowa Tech Community College
13	5A	Connecticut	Western Connecticut State University
ω	6A	Wisconsin	Western (Wisconsin) Technical College
ω	ЗB	California	West Los Angeles College
14	5A	Connecticut	Wesleyan University
7	ЗA	Georgia	Wesleyan College
11	4A	Delaware	Wesley College
-2	5A	Massachusetts	Wentworth Institute of Technology
8	5A	New York	Wells College
15	5B	Utah	Weber State University
4	5A	Michigan	Washtenaw Community College
6	4C	Washington	Washington State University Vancouver
б	5B	Washington	Washington State University Tri-Cities
თ	5B	Washington	Washington State University Spokane
16	5B	Washington	Washington State University Pullman
11	4A	Maryland	Washington College
11	4A	Virginia	Washington and Lee University
11	5A	Pennsylvania	Washington & Jefferson College
8	4A	North Carolina	Warren Wilson College
4	4A	North Carolina	Wake Technical Community College

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