FISK UNIVERSITY MAINTAINS NATIONAL RANKINGS

NASHVILLE, TENN- OCTOBER 6, 2014 - According to data just released by the American Physical Society, Fisk is the number one producer of underrepresented minority Master's in Physics degrees. Fisk is ranked in the top 15 institutions for awarding the Master's in Physics degree for all students, and tied for fourth place for Master's degrees awarded to women.

Forbes’ 650 Top Colleges for 2014 ranked Fisk #256 overall, #186 among private colleges and #54 in the South. Fisk was the highest ranked HBCU on the list and is the 4th highest ranked institution in Tennessee, ahead of the University of Tennessee-Knoxville, Belmont University, and seven other Tennessee institutions.

U.S. News & World Report ranked Fisk #165 in the prestigious Tier One of National Liberal Arts Colleges/Universities. Only four HBCUs, Fisk, Morehouse, Spelman and Xavier of Louisiana, are in Tier One. In the subset of the liberal arts institutions, HBCU-designated colleges and universities, Fisk maintained its #3 ranking. Fisk maintained its status as the top coed institution and the top "university." Among the four HBCU institutions, Fisk is the only one that has a BA to MA to PhD pipeline in the natural sciences and does so at the lowest tuition and fees costs.

Fisk University continues to be consistently ranked among the top 246 the liberal arts college in the nation, according to Washington Monthly’s “2014 Best Liberal Arts Colleges” edition. Fisk’s overall placement is #1 in Tennessee, #5 in the South and #55 in the U.S. A substantial gain this year was in the Social Mobility category, where Fisk is ranked 47th in the nation. In the categories of research expenditures and bachelor-to-PhD transition, Fisk ranks 3rd in the South.

For the 22nd consecutive year, the Princeton Review ranked Fisk among the “Best Southeastern Colleges.”

About Fisk University: Founded in 1866, Fisk University is Nashville’s first institution of higher education and currently ranks in the top 20% of all liberal arts institutions in the nation according to The Washington Monthly. According to the American Physical Society, Fisk is the number one producer of underrepresented minority Master's in Physics degrees. Fisk is ranked in the top 15 institutions for awarding the Master's in Physics degree for all students, and tied for fourth place for Master's degrees awarded to women. Fisk is the fourth highest ranked institution in Tennessee and the highest ranked Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) in Forbes magazine’s 2014 edition of “America’s Top Colleges.” Fisk has ranked in Princeton Review’s “Best Southeastern Colleges” publication for 22 consecutive years. U.S. News & World Report ranks Fisk #146 in the elite Tier One liberal arts institutions. Only four HBCUs rank in Tier One. Fisk has earned four R&D 100 Awards for work in the creation of radiation detectors developed in collaboration with several national laboratories and corporations. No
other HBCU has ever earned an R&D 100 Award. According to the National Science Foundation, Fisk produces more African-Americans who earn doctoral degrees in the natural sciences than any school in the nation. For more information on Fisk University, please visit www.fisk.edu.