June 2016

**Record-breaking day for Buckeye Nation.** Ohio State celebrated the largest graduating class in university history at spring commencement. More than 11,200 degrees were awarded to students from around the world. Nearly one in five new Buckeye alums was a first-generation college student, including one whose inspiring journey to a debt-free degree in social work captured national attention.

**National destination for brain power.** Following groundbreaking research on a brain implant that allowed a quadriplegic patient to regain movement, the Wexner Medical Center welcomed many of the nation’s most prominent scientists, technologists, entrepreneurs and athletes – from Dr. Ali Rezai and Dr. Michael V. Drake to Arianna Huffington and Eddie George – for the first Global Brain Health and Performance Summit.

**Helping Ohio go global.** A first-of-its-kind program in which business students help Ohio companies expand worldwide has resulted in almost $20 million in estimated sales — and earned White House recognition. The Ohio Export Internship Program, a partnership with the Ohio Development Services Agency, won a President’s "E" Award, the highest recognition possible for contributions to the expansion of U.S. exports.

**Scarlet, gray and green.** The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recognized Ohio State for using more green power than any other school in the Big Ten. Ohio State also was named among the top tier

**By the Numbers**

16th among the nation’s best public universities in *U.S. News & World Report*’s 2015 edition of "America’s Best Colleges"

1st among Ohio publics in academics

21 years Wexner Medical Center has been named one of the country’s best by *U.S. News & World Report*

11 graduate programs ranked in the top 10 by *U.S. News & World Report*

12th in the nation for sought-after graduates, as ranked by the *Wall Street Journal*

63,964 students enrolled
of national and international colleges and universities for sustainability — all part of its continued efforts across campus and the community, including strategic sustainability goals developed by faculty, staff and students.

**Scarlet, gray and green part II.** Ohio State’s [win streak](https://www.osu.edu/highpoints/june-2016.html) continued last month in the national EcoCAR competition. Sixteen universities competed to redesign a 2016 Chevrolet Camaro with the goal of reducing its environmental impact while maintaining performance. Buckeye engineering students have now been crowned the winners in the first and second years of the four-year EcoCAR competition.

78 percent of freshmen are from Ohio

500,000+ Ohio State’s living alumni

**For more rankings:**

[Ohio State statistical summary](https://www.osu.edu/highpoints/june-2016.html)