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Belmont Abbey College Ranks Among Top Schools for Online Master's Degrees in 2024

Belmont, N.C. (February 5, 2024) – Belmont Abbey College begins the new year recognized as one of the best schools for online learning at the master's level by OnlineMastersDegrees.org (OMD). Belmont Abbey's Master of Healthcare Administration has been ranked 23rd in the country for programs with no GRE requirements, as well as 33rd overall.

Designed for working professionals who want to advance their healthcare careers, students can complete the Belmont Abbey College MHA program entirely online, with no on-campus requirements. Students have access to various support services, including academic advising, career counseling, and technical support. In addition, all faculty receive Quality Matters certification, a gold standard for instructors to demonstrate their mastery of online teaching and learning.

This recognition comes at a time when enrollment in master's degree programs is on the decline. A 2023 report by the Council of Graduate Schools states that enrollment dropped almost 5 percent from Fall 2021 to Fall 2022 despite increasing applications. The same report cites uncertainty in the value of a master's as one of the main reasons for the downturn.

"With more students questioning whether a master's degree is worth the investment, it is important to highlight the schools offering the best value," said Kyle Darland, co-founder of OMD. "For the OMD rankings, this started with regionally accredited institutions with the lowest net costs. This includes tuition and fees but also looks at the amount of institutional aid their grad students receive. Overall cost is a major factor in most enrollment decisions."

The rankings also consider value as it pertains to flexibility. Many master's students need to balance work, family, and other responsibilities, making online learning a must-have option for colleges.

"Each ranked school offers at least one fully or partially online master's program, and many have dozens across a wide range of subjects," Darland said. "Online programs make earning a master's far more convenient and may encourage people on the fence about enrolling to take the first step."

To see where Belmont Abbey College placed on the full rankings, please visit [Best Online MHA Programs](#). For more information on Belmont Abbey College's Master of Healthcare Administration, visit www.bac.edu/mha.

About OnlineMastersDegrees.org:

OnlineMastersDegrees.org (OMD) began in 2020 to support online learning at the master's level. Our user-friendly, research-backed content helps students find scholarships, resources, and financial aid and connect with accredited colleges and universities nationwide.

About Belmont Abbey College: Founded in 1876, Belmont Abbey College is a private, Catholic baccalaureate and liberal arts institution. Our mission is to educate students in the liberal arts and sciences so that in all things God may be glorified. Guided by the Catholic intellectual tradition and the Benedictine spirit of prayer and learning, we welcome a diverse body of students and provide them with an education that will enable them to lead lives of integrity, to succeed professionally, to become responsible citizens, and to be a blessing to themselves and to others. Our beautiful and historic campus is conveniently located just 10 miles west of Charlotte, N.C., and is currently home to more than 1500 students. For more information, visit <https://belmontabbeycollege.edu/>.