

Online Appendix A: Candidate Pool

Table OA1 lists all 49 institutions in the candidate pool, organized by conference affiliation as of 2010. Military academies and institutions that left their conferences during the study period were excluded.

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Institution	Conference (2010)	IPEDS Unit ID
California State University-Fresno	WAC	110556
San Jose State University	WAC	122755
University of Hawaii at Manoa	WAC	141574
Boise State University	WAC	142115
Louisiana Tech University	WAC	159647
University of Nevada-Reno	WAC	182290
New Mexico State University	WAC	188030
Utah State University	WAC	230728
San Diego State University	Mountain West	122409
Colorado State University	Mountain West	126818
University of Nevada-Las Vegas	Mountain West	182281
University of New Mexico	Mountain West	187985
University of Wyoming	Mountain West	240727
Northern Illinois University	MAC	147703
Ball State University	MAC	150136
Central Michigan University	MAC	169248
Eastern Michigan University	MAC	169798
Western Michigan University	MAC	172699
University at Buffalo	MAC	196088
Bowling Green State University	MAC	201441
Kent State University	MAC	203517
Miami University-Oxford	MAC	204024
Ohio University	MAC	204857
University of Toledo	MAC	206084
Temple University	MAC	216339
University of South Alabama	Sun Belt	102094
Troy University	Sun Belt	102368
Arkansas State University	Sun Belt	106458
Florida Atlantic University	Sun Belt	133669
Florida International University	Sun Belt	133951
Western Kentucky University	Sun Belt	157951
University of Louisiana at Monroe	Sun Belt	159993
University of Louisiana at Lafayette	Sun Belt	160658
Middle Tennessee State University	Sun Belt	220978
University of North Texas	Sun Belt	227216
University of Alabama at Birmingham	CUSA	100663
University of Central Florida	CUSA	132903
Tulane University of Louisiana	CUSA	160755
University of Southern Mississippi	CUSA	176372
East Carolina University	CUSA	198464
University of Memphis	CUSA	220862
University of Houston	CUSA	225511
Southern Methodist University	CUSA	228246
University of Texas at El Paso	CUSA	228796
Marshall University	CUSA	237525
University of Tulsa	CUSA	207971
Rice University	CUSA	227757
Washington State University	Pac-12	236939

Notes: Conference affiliations reflect 2010 membership. Military academies (United States Air Force Academy, United States Military Academy) were excluded from the candidate pool as their enrollment is determined by federal policy rather than market demand. TCU and BYU were excluded as both left the Mountain West during the study period (2012 and 2011 respectively).