NATIONAL RECOGNITION



2025

Top 100 Best Places to Live in the U.S.



2025

4TH Best Performing Small City for Economic Growth in the U.S.



2024

5[™] Best City to Move to in the South.

Southern Living

2023

10[™] Most Charming College for Small Towns in the South.

2022

3RD Best College Town in the South.

Forbes

2019

13TH Best Small Place for Business & Careers in the U.S.

INSURIFY

2019

Most Educated City in Alabama.



2015

Top 100 Educated Cities in the U.S.



2025

23RD Most Dynamic Metro in the U.S.



2024

2ND Best Small Metro for Industrial Growth in the U.S.



2024

4TH Best Public Schools in Alabama.

Where to Retire

2019

Top Place to Retire in the U.S.

Money

2019

Top 100 Places to Live in the U.S.

BUSINESS INSIDER

2019

Top 20 College Town to Start a Career in the U.S.



2017

16[™] Best City for Job Creation in the U.S.