

NATIONAL RECOGNITION

	2022 “The South’s 3 rd Best College Town”
	2021 “6 th Best Metro for Attracting Business in the U.S.”
	2021 “17 th Best Performing Small City for Economic Growth in the U.S.”
	2020 “Top 100 Best Small to Mid-Sized Cities to Live in the U.S.”
	2019 “5 th Best City for Economic Growth Potential in the U.S.”
	2019 “Top 20 College Town in which to Start a Career in the U.S.”
	2019 “13 th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”
	2019 “Top 100 Places to Live in the U.S.”
	2019 “The South’s 3 rd Best Retirement Town”
	2019 “Top Place to Retire in the U.S.”
	2018 “The Most Educated City in Alabama”
	2018 “5 th Best School District in Alabama”
	2018 “The South’s 2 nd Best College Town”
	2017 “16 th Best City for Job Creation in the U.S.”
	2016 “10 th Best Small City for Jobs in the U.S.”
	2016 “Top 25 Cities People are Moving to.”
	2015 “9 th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”
	2015 “One of the 100 Most Educated Cities in the U.S.”
	2015 “3 rd Best Town to Raise a Family in Alabama”
	2014 “10 th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”
	2014 “Top 25 City for Retirement in the U.S.”
	2014 “Best City in Alabama”
	2014 “4 th Smartest City in the U.S. and Smartest City in Alabama”
	2013 “22 nd Best County for Job Growth in the U.S.”
	2013 “18 th Best Small Place for Business and Careers in the U.S.”
	2013 “10 th Best Small City for Jobs in the U.S.”
	2013 “Smartest City in Alabama and 44 th Smartest City in the U.S.”