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Accounting Degree Review, a website about accounting degrees and related topics, has released its 2014-2015 ranking of the 30 most affordable online accounting bachelor's degrees. Western Governors University's online program led the way with an annual tuition of only \$5,780. The fifth ranked school, Western International University, was notable because it recently reduced its tuition by 51 percent. When most colleges and universities are raising or keeping their tuition the same, last year Western International University dropped their tuition from \$14,900 to \$7,600. The school's current tuition is \$7,738.

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- 4. American Public University Charles Town, West Virginia
- 5. Western International University Tempe, Arizona
- 6. Central Methodist University Fayette, Missouri
- 7. Columbia College Columbia, Missouri
- 8. Bemidji State University Bemidji, Minnesota
- 9. SUNY Empire State College Saratoga Springs, New York
- O. Thomas Edison State College Trenton, New Jersey
- 11. Clarion University Clarion, Pennsylvania
- 2. Southern Oregon University Ashland, Oregon
- 3. Southern New Hampshire University Manchester, New Hampshire
- 4. Saint Joseph's College of Maine Standish, Maine
- 5. Indiana State University Terre Haute, Indiana
- 6. Colorado State University Fort Collins, Colorado
- 7. Baker College Flint, Michigan
- 8. Liberty University Lynchburg, Virginia
- 9. University of Minnesota, Crookston Crookston, Minnesota
- 0. Washington State University Pullman, Washington
- 21. Belhaven University Jackson, Mississippi
- 2. New England College Henniker, New Hampshire
- 3. Regent University Virginia Beach, Virginia
- 4. University of the Southwest Hobbs, New Mexico
- 5. University of Northwestern Ohio Lima, Ohio
- 6. Southern Illinois University, Carbondale Carbondale, Illinois
- 7. Indiana Tech Fort Wayne, Indiana
- 8. Limestone College Gaffney, South Carolina
- 9. Upper Iowa University Fayette, Iowa
- 0. Bellevue University Bellevue, Nebraska

(More information on each school, including annual tuition and other factors, can

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Over 80 regionally accredited schools offering online bachelor's in accounting degrees were considered for the ranking by Accounting Degree Review. The site restricted their selections to schools with regional accreditation because it the highest form of institutional accreditation and offers advantages over other forms of accreditation.

Dee Barizo, Editor of Accounting Degree Review, was surprised to find so much variety within the top 30 schools. "There were schools with huge enrollments. There were small schools. There were public and private schools. There were nonprofit and not-for-profit schools. Every type of institution seemed to be represented," Barizo said. "This is great news for students who want an affordable education. Not only are there many schools to choose from with low tuition costs, but the schools are different from each other to meet the needs of different students."

Accounting Degree Review is an online resource dedicated to helping students that are interested in the accounting industry. The site publishes articles to help individuals succeed in the classroom and workplace. Along with school rankings, Accounting Degree Review covers related topics including accounting scholarships, internships, and jobs.

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