

Rankings, Ratings, Awards & Recognitions

Ever since its inception, the World University of Design (WUD), Sonipat, Haryana, has been consistently recognised by leading national and international agencies for academic innovation, design-led pedagogy, institutional governance, and contribution to the creative economy. These recognitions span rankings, ratings, awards, and formal listings, reflecting sustained institutional performance rather than isolated achievements.

Year	Recognition Type	Title of Award / Ranking	Issuing Authority	Category / Domain	Result / Position	National / International/ State	Source / Verification Link
2025	Ranking	Top 100 Institutions Pioneering Digital Transformation	Digii 100 Summit	Digital Transformation	Top 100	National	https://site.fotoowl.ai/ananyamedya12/gallery/200667
2025	Award	Torchbearer in Higher Education	India Didactics Association	Higher Education Leadership	Awarded	National	
2025	Recognition	Observer College Status	National Association of Students of Architecture (NASA)	Architecture Education	Observer College	National	
2025	Ranking	Top General University (Private)	India Today	Universities	Ranked 60 th	National	https://bestcolleges.indiatoday.in/universities-rank/general-pvt
2025	Ranking	School of Architecture Ranking	India Today	Architecture	Ranked 29 th	National	https://bestcolleges.indiatoday.in/rankings/architecture?year=2025
2025	Ranking	School of Fashion Ranking	India Today	Fashion Design	Ranked 22 nd	National	https://bestcolleges.indiatoday.in/rankings/fashion-design?year=2025
2025	Ranking	India's top Private Liberal Arts & Humanities Universities	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 6 th	National	https://educationworld.in/rankings-private-liberal-arts-humanities-universities/
2025	Ranking	India's top Private Liberal Arts & Humanities Universities	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 2 nd	State	https://educationworld.in/rankings-private-liberal-arts-humanities-universities/
2025	Ranking	Best Undergrad Institution for Faculty Student Ratio/ Class size	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 15 th	National	https://educationworld.in/rankings-

							positive-faculty-student-ratio/
2025	Ranking	School of Architecture Ranking	IIRF Ranking	Architecture	Ranked 2 nd	State	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-architecture-colleges-in-india
2025	Ranking	School of Fashion Ranking	IIRF Ranking	Fashion Design	Ranked 1 st	State	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-design-colleges-in-india
2025	Ranking	New Age Emerging University	IIRF Ranking	Universities	Ranked 1 st	State	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-universities-in-india
2025	Rating	Best University	Careers360	Higher Education Leadership	Rated AAAA+	National	
2025	Ranking	School of Fashion Ranking (Govt and Private)	The WEEK-Hansa Research Survey	Fashion Design	Ranked 32 nd	National	https://www.theweek.in/theweek/cover/2025/06/21/the-week-hansa-research-survey-2025-india-best-colleges.html
2025	Ranking	Among Private + Deemed Multi-disciplinary Universities	The WEEK-Hansa Research Survey	Universities	Ranked – 9 th in Delhi NCR 26 th in the North Zone 58 th All India,	National	https://www.theweek.in/theweek/specials/2025/05/17/indias-best-universities-are-boldly-expanding-to-new-horizons-and-encouraging-experiential-learning-and-ai-literacy.html
2025	Ranking	Among Emerging Universities	The WEEK-Hansa Research Survey	Universities	Ranked 12 th in North Zone 25 th All India	National	https://www.theweek.in/theweek/specials/2025/05/17/indias-best-universities-are-boldly-expanding-to-new-horizons-and-encouraging-experiential-learning-and-ai-literacy.html
2025	Rating	Design Education Rating	QS I-Gauge	Design Education	Platinum	National	https://www.igauge.in/institution/universities/world-university-of-design
2024	Ranking	Top 100 Institutions Pioneering Digital Transformation	Digii 100 Summit	Digital Transformation	Top 100	National	

2024	Award	Innovative Learning Spaces Award and Torchbearer in Higher Education	India Didactics Association	Higher Education Leadership	Awarded	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218_wudinnoates-futureofeducation-didacindia-activity-7244181776615497728-71PV?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCcpONiZrrsen8Y
2024	Award	Education Excellence Award	Services Export Promotion Council	Higher Education Leadership	Awarded	National	https://www.facebook.com/SVAatWUD/posts/honored-and-humbled-world-university-of-design-wud-has-been-recognized-as-the-em/528594493136223/
2024	Award	Emerging Higher Education Institution in India	BW Education's Top Education Brands Power List	Higher Education Leadership	Awarded	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218_worlduniversityofdesign-designededucation-highereducation-activity-7234922856298504193-QonB?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCcpONiZrrsen8Y
2024	Award	Emerging University of the Year	Financial Express & EY	Higher Education	Awarded	National	https://www.financialexpress.com/events/india-education-awards-2024
2024	Ranking	Design Education Ranking	Careers360	Design Education	Ranked 4 th	National	

2024	Ranking	School of Architecture Ranking	Outlook-ICARE	Architecture	Ranked 24 th	National	https://www.outlookindia.com/education/top-30-private-architecture-institutes
2024	Ranking	School of Architecture Ranking	India Today	Architecture	Ranked 29 th	National	https://bestcolleges.indiatoday.in/rankings/architecture?year=2024
2024	Ranking	School of Fashion Ranking	India Today	Fashion	Ranked 29 th	National	https://bestcolleges.indiatoday.in/rankings/fashion-design?year=2024
2024	Ranking	Top 30 Emerging Universities	IIRF	Universities	Ranked 21 st	National	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-emerging-private-universities
2024	Ranking	Top 30 Emerging Universities	IIRF	Universities	Ranked 2 nd	State	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-emerging-private-universities
2024	Ranking	India's top Private Liberal Arts & Humanities Universities	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 6 th	National	
2024	Ranking	India's top Private Liberal Arts & Humanities Universities	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 2 nd	State	
2024	Ranking	Among Private + Deemed Multi-disciplinary Universities	The WEEK-Hansa Research Survey	Universities	Ranked 8 th in Delhi NCR 24 th in North 52 nd All India	National	https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:7202631597928452097?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCCpONiZrrsen8Y
2024	Ranking	Top 40 Private Design Colleges	IIRF	Design Domain	Ranked 12 th	National	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-private-design-colleges-in-india-2024
2024	Ranking	Top 40 Private Design Colleges	IIRF	Design Domain	Ranked 1 st	State	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-private-design-colleges-in-india-2024

2024	Ranking	Best in Digital Education Innovation	Education World India Higher Education Grand Jury	Universities	Ranked 2 nd	National	https://educationworld.in/ew-grand-jury-india-higher-education-rankings-2024-25/
2024	Ranking	Young University Ranking	Careers360	Universities	Ranked 40 th	National	
2023	Ranking	School of Architecture Ranking	Outlook-ICARE	Architecture	Ranked 22 nd	National	https://www.outlookindia.com/education/outlook-icare-rankings-2023-top-30-private-architecture-institutes-magazine-299121
2023	Ranking	Young University Ranking	Careers360	Universities	Ranked 34 th	National	
2023	Ranking	Design Education	Careers360	Design Domain	Ranked 3 rd	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218-thankyou-university-designuniversity-activity-7045393635583868928-AGaX?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCcpONiZrrsen8Y
2023	Ranking	India's top Private Liberal Arts & Humanities Universities	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 4 th	National	https://www.facebook.com/photo?fbid=10226183022135787&set=pcb.10226183023735827
2023	Ranking	Best Digital Technologies Usages	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 4 th	National	
2023	Recognition	Institution's Innovation Council Established	Ministry of Education, GoI	Innovation	Recognised	National	
2023	Certification	Indian Green Building Council (IGBC) Chapter	Indian Green Building Council (IGBC). India	Architecture	Certification	National	Membership No: IGBCIST230173.

2023	Ranking	Top 40 Private Design Colleges	IIRF	Design Domain	Ranked 9 th	National	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-private-design-colleges-in-india-2023
2023	Ranking	Top 50 Emerging Universities (Private)	IIRF	Universities	Ranked 34 th	National	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-50-best-private-emerging-universities-in-india-2023
2022	Award	Certificate of Excellence – Digital Distinction	ASSOCHAM	Digital Education	Top 20	National	https://businessnewsweek.in/education/a-design-only-university-makes-it-to-asso-cham-top-100-institutions-for-digital-adoption/
2022	Ranking	Design Ranking	Careers 360	Design Domain	Ranked 12 th All India 1 st in North Zone	National	
2022	Ranking	School of Architecture Ranking	Careers 360	Architecture	Ranked 24 th	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218_careers360rankings-wud-worlduniversityofdesign-activity-6940296599025659905-1ifK?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCcpONiZrrsen8Y
2022	Ranking	School of Architecture Ranking	Outlook.	Architecture	Ranked 22 nd	National	https://www.outlookindia.com/education/outlook-icare-rankings-2022-top-30-private-architecture-colleges-in-india-magazine-205804
2022	Rating	Mental Health & Wellbeing Ranking	R. World Institutional Ranking	Universities	DIAMOND	National	
2022	Ranking	Best Young Universities defined by Quality	Careers 360	Universities	Ranked 39 th	National	
2022	Rating	Outcome based Education Rankings	R. World Institutional Ranking	Universities	A+ grade	National	https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=1

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2022	Ranking	Top Private Universities	Education World India Higher education rankings	Universities	Ranked 5 th	National	https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=10223889632442478&set=a.4001563991269
2022	Recognition	Social Entrepreneurship, Swachhta' & Rural Engagement Cell Institution	Ministry of Education, GoI	Entrepreneurship	Recognised	National	
2022	Recognition	Unnat Bharat Abhiyaan	Ministry of Education, GoI	Innovation	Recognised	National	
2021	Ranking	Best Emerging Private University	IIRF	Higher Education	Ranked 10 th	National	https://iirfranking.com/ranking/top-50-best-emerging-universities-private-2021
2021	Ranking	Best Emerging University	INDIA TODAY	Universities	Ranked 21 st	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218_university-universities-highereducation-activity-6827191164450414592-RsPA?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCcpONiZrrsen8Y
2021	Ranking	Best Higher Education Institution	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 6 th	National	https://educationworld.in/ew-grand-jury-india-higher-education-rankings-2021-2022/?gl=1*1ldyurh*ga*MTI5Nzc4NTk1Ny4xNzEzNzYxODAx*_ga_KV73GLP1Z7*cze3NjUyOTY4MTMkbzlWJGcxJHQxNzY1Mjk4NDg3JGo2MCRsMCroMA..
2021	Ranking	Best Higher Education Institution	Education World India Higher Education Rankings	Universities	Ranked 1 st	State	https://educationworld.in/ew-grand-jury-india-higher-education-rankings-2021-2022/?gl=1*1ldyurh*ga*MTI5Nzc4NTk1Ny4xNzEzNzYxODAx*_ga_KV73GLP1Z7*cze3NjUyOTY4MTMkbzlWJGcxJHQxNzY1Mjk4NDg3JGo2MCRsMCroMA..

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2021	Award	Excellence in Design Education	World Education Summit	Design Education	Award	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218 education-highereducation-designededucation-activity-6776832691309432833-0JDS?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCcpONiZrrsen8Y
2020	Award	Professional Education Excellence	Education World	Professional Education	Ranked 3 rd	National	https://educationworld.in/educationworld-higher-education-grand-jury-awards-2020-21/
2020	Award	Excellence in Design Education	World Education Summit	Design Education	Awarded	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218 worlduniversityofdesign-highereducation-designededucation-activity-6638371004374708225-gzrJ?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAIKhBwBvI56O4QF373rxCcpONiZrrsen8Y
2019	Award	Most Upcoming University	ASSOCHAM	Higher Education	Awarded	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218 assocham-bestuniversity-worlduniversityofdesign-activity-6558569746772647937
2019	Ranking	Professional Education Excellence	World India Higher Education Ranking	Professional Education	Ranked 2 nd	National	https://www.linkedin.com/posts/dr-sanjay-gupta-4991218 worlduniver

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2019	Awarded	Best Startup in Education Category	CSR Times	Higher Education	Awarded	National	
2019	Awarded	Most Emerging Higher Education Institute	IDA Design Education Awards	Higher Education	Awarded	National	