



### **Crowder College Named to Best Online Community Colleges List for 2016**

Crowder College has been named one of the nation's Best Online Community Colleges for 2016 by [AffordableCollegesOnline.org](http://AffordableCollegesOnline.org) (ACO), a leader in higher education information, resources and rankings. The school earned the 26th position on the new list, which ACO generated by analyzing cost and quality metrics of thousands of U.S. community colleges with online degree programs.

"We wanted to honor the schools and universities that are setting the standard for online learning," said Dan Schuessler, CEO and Founder of AffordableCollegesOnline.org "These schools are going above and beyond the industry standard to help make online education programs more affordable.

Only public, not-for-profit institutions were eligible for the ranking. The primary data points used to identify the Best Online Colleges of 2016 include the following:

- Regional accreditation
- In-state tuition and fees
- Percent of full-time undergraduate students receiving institutional financial aid
- The number on online programs offered
- Student-to-teacher ratio
- Average amount of institutional aid received by first-time students

An in depth look at the best online programs in the U.S. can be seen here:  
<http://www.affordablecollegesonline.org/online-colleges/community-colleges/>