

Celia Scott Weatherhead School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine Ranked Among Nation's Top 10

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The Celia Scott Weatherhead School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine at Tulane University has been named among the Top 10 public health graduate schools in the

nation, according to the [2025 U.S. News & World Report rankings](#). The school is now ranked #10, rising from its previous position of #12.

“This is more than a number — it's a reflection of our relentless commitment to excellence in education, research, and service,” said [Dean Thomas LaVeist](#). “At a time when public health is facing deep challenges — from disease outbreaks to shrinking federal support — our mission has never been more urgent, or more clear. The world needs public health professionals now more than ever.”

This announcement comes on the heels of LaVeist’s recent tenure as chair of the Board of the Association of Schools and Programs of Public Health ([ASPPH](#)), a role in which he championed the importance of investment in the public health workforce, infrastructure, and innovation. The school’s rise in national recognition speaks to its dedication to [optimal health for all](#), leadership in [emerging public health issues](#), and its pioneering role as the [first school](#) of public health in the United States.

The updated rankings arrive during a period of mounting pressure on public health systems. Federal funding for essential programs faces cuts, and public health challenges—from the resurgence of measles to the growing threat of bird flu, the spread of STIs, and the rise of chronic illnesses like diabetes, heart disease, and cancer—show no signs of slowing.

The school continues to expand its programs and partnerships to meet these complex and evolving health challenges.

While the school celebrates its Top 10 placement, the [Master of Health Administration](#) (MHA) program is ranked #19 nationally, retaining its standing as a Top 20 program. The MHA program remains a leading force in training future healthcare administrators and continues to innovate in a rapidly changing healthcare environment.

“We take pride in this recognition but remain focused on what really matters — preparing the next generation of public health leaders and making an impact in communities around the world,” LaVeist added.

With strengths across specialties like [epidemiology](#), [climate and health](#), [health policy](#), [maternal child health](#), [health security](#), and [tropical medicine](#), the Celia Scott Weatherhead School is poised to continue advancing public health at home and abroad.

