《清华再次超麻省理工成世界第一理工科大学 浙大第五哈工大第七》

导读:近日美国最权威大学排行榜“ US News全球大学排行榜 ”公布了今年的排行，清华大学再次击败麻省理工成为全球第一的理工科大学，中国共有四所大学挤进前十，浙大排第五、哈工大第七、上海交大第九。

College ranking lists are generally unscientific and overrated. But if there’s one thing that unites them, it’s that U.S. and U.K. universities almost always get the top spots.

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That’s not the case in U.S. News & World Report‘s ranking of global universities by subject area, released yesterday. This time, the ranking names a Chinese university as the world’s best university for engineering.

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Tsinghua University in Beijing, one of China’s most prestigious schools, beat out the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the top spot. The methodology for the ranking is based on research citations and publications, as well as reputation among leading researchers in the field—not student experience or related matters.

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Tsinghua, which was also rated No.1 on last year’s engineering list, is ranked the 59th best overall university in the world this year, while MIT was named the second best university in the world. Three other Chinese universities were named among the top 10 on the engineering list: Zhejiang University (5th), the Harbin Institute of Technology (7th), and Shanghai Jiao Tong University (9th).

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Known as “the MIT of China,” Tsinghua has been increasing its international profile in the last few years, announcing a partnership with the University of Washington last month on clean tech research and hosting a new degree program for international students financed by the American private equity billionaire Stephen Schwarzman.

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The ranking, which was noted by the People’s Daily, might be a point of pride in China. Nationally, university enrollment in the country has increased from less than 5% in 1995 to almost 25% as of 2011.

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Does this ranking mean that budding engineers are going to start flocking from Cambridge to Beijing? Of course not. But it shows that Chinese universities are winning more recognition for their research, and that typically U.S.-centric college rankings are starting to take notice.

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