CI named in Top 10 Best online colleges by BestColleges.com

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An NCES report from 2012 revealed that approximately 6% of postsecondary students in California are enrolled in entirely online programs. While that number is lower than in many other states, online enrollment growth rates in California mirror national norms. Most of California's online students are undergraduates, and nearly 88% are in-state residents. Given that the online enrollment rates for two-year schools substantially exceeded that of four-year colleges, it is safe to expect online enrollment rates at four-year schools to climb in the near future.

Beyond the rankings, BestColleges.com provides a helpful review of <u>California's Master Plan for Higher Education</u>. The plan's overarching goal is to help more residents in California attend college and earn a degree. To help students financially, California allows students to receive full tuition and fee reimbursements, provided that their family debt totals more than \$101,000, among other measures. The guide also covers the success of the recently launched California Community Colleges Online Education Initiative. The initiative has helped thousands of students complete an associate degree by expanding the number of available online community college courses.

The top 10 best online colleges in California are listed below:

- 1 University of La Verne La Verne, CA
- 2 Simpson University Redding, CA
- 3 California State University, Dominguez Hills Carson, CA
- 4 Biola University La Mirada, CA
- 5 California State University, Fullerton Fullerton, CA
- 6 Fresno Pacific University Fresno, CA
- 7 California State University, Sacramento Sacramento, CA
- 8 Vanguard University of Southern California Costa Mesa, CA
- 9 California State University, East Bay Hayward, CA
- 10 California State University, Channel Islands Camarillo, CA