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WORCESTER STATE COLLEGE FEATURED IN NEW 2008 EDITION OF *THE PRINCETON*
REVIEW GUIDE: "BEST NORTHEASTERN COLLEGES"

Worcester State College is one of 222 outstanding colleges and universities in the Northeast that *The Princeton Review* recommends to college applicants in the new 2008 edition of its book, "Best Northeastern Colleges" (Random House / Princeton Review, August 7, 2007, \$16.95). In the two-page profile on Worcester State College in the book, *The Princeton Review* describes the school as "small and affordable, with great lab facilities and professors who are devoted to teaching."

Says Robert Franek, Princeton Review's V.P., Publishing, "The schools in this book all have excellent academic programs. We chose them from several hundred Northeastern schools we considered based on institutional data we collect about the schools, our surveys of students attending them, and our visits to schools over the years. We also worked to have a wide representation of colleges in the book by size, selectivity, character and locale." The book includes schools in the District of Columbia and eleven states: Connecticut, Delaware, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and Vermont.

The Princeton Review surveyed 62,000 students at the 222 colleges in this edition of the book (about 275 per campus). The 80-question survey asked students to rate their schools in several categories -- from the accessibility of their professors to quality of the campus food -- and answer questions about themselves, their fellow students, and their campus life. Some student comments in the profile on Worcester State College are: "The school accommodates students who don't have a ton of money but still want a good education," "The school's administrators, professors, and staff are all very understanding about real-world situations and work with students to make their college experiences the best possible," and "The freshman dorms are set up like traditional dorm buildings, so people are always interacting with each other."