



# CAL MARITIME

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## **CAL MARITIME RANKS HIGH IN *USNEWS* AND *FORBES* SURVEYS**

(Vallejo, CA – August 20, 2009)... The California Maritime Academy got some very positive news from independent sources today in the form of strong rankings from *USNews & World Report* and *Forbes* magazine's annual surveys of the nation's best undergraduate colleges and universities.

The 2010 *USNews* survey, based on responses from academic faculty and deans with knowledge of specific institutions, again ranked Cal Maritime fifth among 17 ranked Baccalaureate schools in the western U.S. - second only to the U.S. Air Force Academy among public schools in that category. Cal Maritime also was chosen as one of the nation's top 100 public colleges and universities (#61) for *Forbes'* 2009 rankings of America's Best Colleges - the only state maritime academy to make the list.

Cal Maritime President William B. Eisenhardt said the annual surveys are useful in tracking market perception over time. "Our focus on maritime trade and transportation, engineering, maritime policy, maritime security and the environment, and international business and logistics makes us unique in many ways. There are just seven maritime universities in the U.S. and we are the only one in the west, serving students from California and the western region, including the Pacific Rim. Our programs are challenging and we offer real strengths in leadership development and hands-on learning as part of our educational experience."

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“We have achieved major enrollment growth in recent years with a current student body of about 850, yet have retained the unique advantages of a small campus - low student/teacher ratios, small classes, a summer training cruise aboard our 500-foot Training Ship *Golden Bear*, and extensive simulation and laboratory training. Our solid rankings in these latest surveys provide independent confirmation that we are on the right course and that the quality of this institution and its programs is being recognized.”

*The California Maritime Academy is a unique campus of The California State University, offering degrees in business administration, facilities engineering technology, global studies and maritime affairs, marine engineering technology, marine transportation, and mechanical engineering. Cal Maritime is one of only seven degree-granting maritime academies in the United States — and the only one on the West Coast. For more information, visit the Cal Maritime website at [www.csum.edu](http://www.csum.edu) or call 707-654-1000. To “ride along” on this summer’s training voyage, click the “Follow the Voyage” link on the home page to see reports, photos and videos.*

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