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College Choice Recognizes Excellence of Online Master of Accountancy Degree

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C.—Gardner-Webb University's online
Master of Accountancy was named a top-15 program nationwide
by College Choice in its recent list of the best graduate accounting degrees offered through
distance education. The rankings were based on tuition cost and program reputation, as
well as data from sources including U.S. News & World Report, the National Center for
Education Statistics and Payscale.com.

"We are proud of the Gardner-Webb Master of Accountancy Program," exulted Dr. Earl Godfrey, GWU Professor of Accounting. "The curriculum was designed to be the best, to be available through online course delivery and to target working individuals. A close flow of communication with professors is maintained across traditional and non-traditional platforms, including video conferencing. The result is a program that is competitive with the best in the country and one that is available to students, even at a distance."

GWU's online accounting programs have earned consistent recognition for excellence in the past few years, including top national rankings for both the bachelor's and master's degrees. Gardner-Webb offers the online bachelor's degree in accounting through its Degree Completion Program (gardner-webb.edu/dcp) and the Master of Accountancy through the graduate program in the Godbold School of Business (gardner-webb.edu/graduate).

Gardner-Webb ranked 13th in College Choice's list of the 50 best online master's degree programs for accounting, among other top schools such as the University of Massachusetts (Amherst, Mass.), the University of Connecticut (Storrs, Conn.) and the University of North Carolina (Chapel Hill, N.C.).

"At Gardner-Webb, our students have the ability to focus on emphasis areas such as forensics or taxation in order to pair their academic growth with their career aspirations," Godfrey shared. "Consequently, the Master of Accountancy Program adds tremendous value and an enhanced ability to succeed to the academic background of its graduates. That value results in greater opportunities for graduates with their current employers and expanded placement prospects when considering career changes or promotions.

College Choice (collegechoice.net) is an independent online publication dedicated to helping students and their families find the right college. The site publishes rankings and reviews that make choosing the best college easier, as well as resources to help students get into, pay for and thrive at the college of their choice.

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University provides exceptional educational opportunities within a Christian environment, preparing students to think critically, to succeed professionally, and to serve faithfully as members of their local and global communities. The Godbold School of Business provides students with a unique learning environment where a high standard of excellence embraces integrity as much as knowledge and skill.