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## *GWU is One of Only Four North Carolina Schools to Earn Distinction*

 Great Colleges to Work For

BOILING SPRINGS, N.C. – Gardner-Webb is one of the nation’s best colleges to work for, according to a survey released today by the Chronicle of Higher Education. The results, based on a survey of nearly 44,000 employees at 310 colleges and universities, were announced on July 25 in the Chronicle’s special report on the academic workplace.

In all, only 111 of the 310 institutions achieved “Great Colleges to Work For” recognition. Gardner-Webb was one of only four North Carolina institutions to earn the distinction. Gardner-Webb won honors in two specific categories this year:

**Confidence in Senior Leadership:** “Leaders have the knowledge, skills, and experience necessary for institutional success.”

**Supervisor or Department-Chair Relationship:** “Supervisor makes expectations clear and solicits ideas.”

But the Chronicle’s “Great Colleges” designation is only Gardner-Webb’s latest national honor. For exhibiting what it calls “institutionalized community engagement,” the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching selected Gardner-Webb for the Community Engagement Classification. Of the thousands of institutions nationwide, Gardner-Webb is now among only 311 schools to have earned the distinction since the Classification’s inception in 2006.

Gardner-Webb was also named, for the fourth consecutive year, to the President’s Higher Education Community Service Honor Roll for engaging its students, faculty and staff in meaningful service that achieves measurable results in the community. Said GWU Associate Provost Dr. Gayle Price, the Carnegie Classification and the President’s Honor Roll together signal that service “isn’t just an attachment to our mission at Gardner-Webb, but it is organically integrated into all aspects of our University’s identity.”

Finally, Gardner-Webb is one of the nation’s top 10 schools for mobilizing student missionaries through the North American Mission Board (NAMB). For that distinction, NAMB awarded GWU its distinguished Courts Redford Award for Excellence in Student

Mobilization. In 2010, one in every 15 residential students participated in University mission trips to places like Eastern Tennessee, Guatemala, and Northern Ireland.

[Click here to read the Chronicle of Higher Education survey.](#)

Located in Boiling Springs, N.C., Gardner-Webb University seeks a higher ground in higher education – one that embraces faith and intellectual freedom, balances conviction with compassion, and inspires in students a love of learning, service, and leadership.