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TOP ENGINEERING COLLEGES

Rank	Govt. (G) Pvt. (P)			Composite Score*
1	G	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Delhi	668
2	G	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Mumbai	633
3	G	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Kharagpur	627
4	G	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Chennai	614
5	G	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Kanpur	561
6	G	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Roorkee	509
7	P	Birla Institute of Technology & Science (BITS)	Pilani	467
8	G	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT)	Guwahati	460
9	G	Delhi Technological University (DTU)	Delhi	406
10	G	Indian Institute of Technology (Banaras Hindu University)	Varanasi	398
11	G	Indian School of Mines (ISM)	Dhanbad	365
12	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Surathkal	362
13	G	College of Engineering, Anna University	Chennai	361
14	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Tiruchirappalli	360
15	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Warangal	359
16	P	International Institute of Information Technology (IIIT)	Hyderabad	355
17	G	Netaji Subhas Institute of Technology (NSIT)	Delhi	354
18	P	Birla Institute of Technology (BIT), Mesra	Ranchi	349
19	G	IIEST, Shibpur (Formerly known as Bengal Engineering and Science University)	Kolkata	338
20	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Kozhikode	333
21	P	Vellore Institute of Technology (VIT)	Vellore	328
22	G	College of Engineering, Pune (COEP)	Pune	322
23	G	Faculty of Engineering and Technology, Jadavpur University	Kolkata	320
24	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Rourkela	317
25	G	Motilal Nehru National Institute of Technology (MNNIT)	Allahabad	303
26	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Durgapur	302
26	G	Indian Institute of Information Technology (IIIT)	Allahabad	302
28	P	Thapar University	Patiala	300
29	P	Veermata Jijabai Technological Institute (VJTI)	Mumbai	299
29	G	Maulana Azad National Institute of Technology (MANIT)	Bhopal	299
31	G	Visvesvaraya National Institute of Technology (VNIT)	Nagpur	293
32	G	Malaviya National Institute of Technology (MNIT)	Jaipur	292
32	G	PEC University of Technology	Chandigarh	292
32	G	Madras Institute of Technology	Chennai	292
35	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Jamshedpur	291
36	P	R.V. College of Engineering	Bengaluru	289
37	P	PSG College of Technology	Coimbatore	288
37	G	Zakir Husain College of Engineering & Technology	Aligarh	288
37	G	Jamia Millia Islamia - Faculty of Engineering and Technology	Delhi	288
40	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Kurukshetra	287
40	G	Dr. B.R. Ambedkar National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Jalandhar	287
42	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Raipur	286
42	P	Manipal Institute of Technology	Manipal	286
44	P	BMS College of Engineering	Bengaluru	285
45	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Patna	283
45	G	Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University (JNTU)	Hyderabad	283
47	P	SRM University	Chennai	281
48	G	Sardar Vallabhbhai National Institute of Technology (SVNIT)	Surat	278
49	P	PES University	Bengaluru	277

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Rank	Govt. (G) Pvt. (P)			Composite Score*
50	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Silchar	273
51	P	Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology (DA-IICT)	Gandhinagar	272
52	G	Harcourt Butler Technological Institute	Kanpur	271
53	G	National Institute of Technology (NIT)	Hamirpur	267
54	P	SSN College of Engineering	Chennai	259
54	G	College of Engineering	Thiruvananthapuram	259
54	G	College of Engineering, Andhra University	Visakhapatnam	259
57	P	Chaitanya Bharathi Institute of Technology	Hyderabad	257
57	P	MS Ramaiah Institute of Technology	Bengaluru	257
59	P	Sathyabama University	Chennai	256
60	P	Thiagarajar College of Engineering	Madurai	255
60	G	University College of Engineering, Osmania University	Hyderabad	255
62	G	Birla Institute of Technology (BIT)	Sindri	250
63	P	Bangalore Institute of Technology	Bengaluru	245
64	P	Sardar Patel College of Engineering	Mumbai	244
65	P	Amrita School of Engineering	Coimbatore	243
66	P	Lakshmi Narain College of Technology	Bhopal	242
67	P	The National Institute of Engineering	Mysore	240
67	P	Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management	Visakhapatnam	240
69	P	SASTRA University	Thanjavur	239
69	G	Cochin University of Science and Technology (CUSAT)	Kochi	239
71	G	University Visvesvaraya College of Engineering	Bengaluru	238
71	P	Sri Sai Ram Engineering College	Chennai	238
71	P	Sir M Visvesvaraya Institute of Technology	Bengaluru	238
71	P	K L University	Guntur	238
75	P	Kongu Engineering College	Erode	237

and managing events and will help us in our future career moves," said Saurabh Arora, who has just completed his BCom and is heading to IIM Indore for an MBA. Arora had got a job offer from Ernst and Young but decided to continue studies.

SRCC has an entrepreneurial innovation cell and the college takes up many projects in order to boost entrepreneurship among students. Many of its students have launched startups after graduation. "It was during one of our projects that our students got involved with puppeteers and helped them showcase their puppet show at corporate events," said the principal, Dr R.P. Rustagi. "This initiative got the puppeteers more exposure and handsome money."

The college has a tutorial system in which 8 to 10 students get together in a group and work on assignments. While doing so they try to identify each other's weaknesses. "One-to-one communication is a must among students in order to get a broader viewpoint and it helps improve their own performance," said Rustagi, who is a former student of the college. The college also scores high on industry interaction and has regular sessions with top industrialists. In February, a business conclave at the college was attended by the likes of Adi Godrej and Sunil Mittal.

Most of these colleges do not count career achievements in terms of money, and their alumni are their torchbearers. Lady Shri Ram College for Women in Delhi, for instance, is currently basking in the glory of this year's civil service's exam topper Tina Dabi. "We differentiate our-

selves by the dedication of our teachers and the vibrancy and enthusiasm of our students. Our department societies are very active and vibrant. Our diversity speaks for itself, as more than 60 per cent of our students are from outside Delhi," said Dr Suman Sharma, principal of the college.

The college regularly has discussions on contemporary issues. "The students inculcate leadership qualities through these discussions. Our students participate in community based projects. For instance, they lit up the area near the college. They did a vulnerability mapping of the area and studied the implications in case of a disaster and understood how they could make it safe," said Sharma.

Students hail the diversity of the college as it helps them have a broader viewpoint. Said Shagarika Das, a

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76	P	B.S. Abdur Rahman University	Chennai	235
76	P	Institute of Technology, Nirma University	Ahmedabad	235
78	G	University Institute of Engineering & Technology	Chandigarh	232
79	P	Army Institute of Technology	Pune	230
80	P	Hindustan Institute of Technology and Science	Chennai	229
81	P	Guru Nanak Dev Engineering College	Ludhiana	227
82	P	Dwarkadas J Sanghvi College of Engineering	Mumbai	224
83	P	Maharaja Agrasen Institute of Technology	Delhi	220
84	G	Chandigarh College of Engineering and Technology	Chandigarh	219
85	P	Mepco Schlenk Engineering College	Sivakasi	218
85	P	Rungta College of Engineering and Technology	Bhilai	218
87	P	MVJ College of Engineering	Bengaluru	214
88	P	University Institute of Engineering	Mohali	211
89	P	Jawaharlal Nehru National College of Engineering	Shimoga	210
90	P	MIT College of Engieneering	Pune	208
91	P	Shri Dharmasthala Manjunatheshwara -SDM College of Engineering & Tech	Dharwad	207
92	P	Nitte Meenakshi Institute of Technology	Bengaluru	206
93	P	Sona College of Technology	Salem	204
93	P	NMAM Institute of Technology	Nitte	204
95	P	Galgotias College of Engineering & Technology	Noida	203
96	P	GL Bajaj Institute of Technology & Management	Noida	201
97	P	Vel Tech Multi Tech Dr.Rangarajan Dr.Sakunthala Engineering College	Chennai	200
98	P	Bharati Vidyapeeth's College of Engineering for Women	Pune	196
99	G	Government College of Engineering	Amravati	194
100	P	RMK Engineering College	Chennai	192

BA Psychology (honours) student: "As part of the psychology course I got opportunities to participate in sessions on mental health and LGBT community. Besides this there were many inter-disciplinary sessions in which I participated and had a broader overview of the things besides the curriculum." She is heading for a course at Harvard Business School.

Things are a bit different at St Xavier's College in Mumbai as it is an autonomous college. It has its own syllabus, and it ensures that the syllabus is not only challenging but also relevant to the needs of industry and society.

"Our methods of testing and assessing the educational growth of students vary from presentations to assignments to exhibitions to actually going out on the streets and engaging with the real world and then writing reports on it and later defending the reports," said the principal, Dr Agnelo Menezes. "For instance, our microbiology department carries out water testing in poor residential areas of the city. Every student has to put in 60 hours of social activity, as we believe that when the heart is touched by direct experience the mind is compelled to change. As students are encouraged to do an internship between the 4th and 5th semesters they are exposed to the job market and that is a win-win for the students as well as future employers."

The college keeps on introducing new courses as per the demand and requirement of the changing times. "The new courses that are emerging are public policy and biosciences. In humanities, psychology, literature and economics are in demand. In sciences, we have noticed that there is an increasing demand for life sciences and microbiology," said Menezes.

Innovation is the key also for the professional colleges. National Institute of Fashion Technology in Delhi, which is easily the best in India to study fashion technology, constantly tries to bring in innovation and improvement in order to distinguish itself from the scores of fashion technology institutes in the country. "Our strength is that our courses are completely based on merit and we keep on evolving ourselves by adapting to new changes in fashion technology such as mimicry in fashion which means fashion inspired by nature," said Dr Vandana Narang, campus director, NIFT, Delhi.

The institute has 32 international