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Last month, Lindenwood University was named a Military Friendly School by Victory Media for the eighth consecutive year, and on Dec. 9, the university was designated a Gold Award winner for being among the top institutions to receive the Military Friendly designation.

Each year, Victory Media recognizes 200 companies and 1,200 post-secondary schools for their positive employment and education outcomes for veterans and their families. Of those 1,200 schools 541 were recognized in several categories for being among the top, according to Victory Media's rankings.

The top 10 schools in each category received a Top 10 Gold Award, which was followed by gold medal, silver medal, and copper medal schools. Lindenwood's Gold Medal Award means it was in the top 20 percent after the top 10 schools in the category of large private institutions.

"We are very committed to our veteran students," said Kristine Sieve, the university's director of veteran affairs. "So, our military friendly status means a lot to us, and we're especially pleased to receive the Gold Medal Award this year."

Victory Media has been awarding its Military Friendly designation for employers, entrepreneurship, and education resources for veterans for more than a decade; new this year are the Military Friendly Awards to showcase the most powerful and effective programs for veterans.

"All of our Military Friendly award recipients set the standard for excellence," said Daniel Nichols, chief product officer of Victory Media and head of Military Friendly development. "They offer exceptional examples of what it means not just to build a program that meets federal requirements, but one that serves the military and veteran community from classrooms to careers."

