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Study: Clemson 'most affordable' in ACC

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CLEMSON — Clemson was found to be the most affordable college town in the Atlantic Coast Conference (ACC) in a recent national study.

The fourth annual Coldwell Banker College Market Home Price Comparison Index (HPCI) outlines the most expensive and most affordable college towns across America. It specifically examines the home market to the 119 Football Bowl Subdivision (I-A) schools, comparing the average price of a 2,220-foot, 4 bedroom, 2 1/2 bath home with a family room and two-car garage.

Clemson was found to be the most affordable college town in the ACC with home prices in 2008 averaging \$215,960. Durham, N.C. and Winston-Salem, N.C., home to Duke University and Wake Forest University respectively, were ranked second and third in affordability at \$221,491 and \$230,667. Overall, 65 per-

cent of the 119 Football Bowl Subdivision (I-A) schools are in towns where the subject home average was \$300,000 or less.

Boston College tops the list in terms of most expensive, with a price of \$1,381,250, and Miami was the second highest at \$600,000. The two served to drive the average price in the ACC up to \$410,945.

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