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## OU ranked among 'most underrated schools'

Oakland University is ranked one of the nation's most underrated schools in the 2004 edition of "The Unofficial Unbiased Guide to the 328 Most Interesting Colleges," published by Kaplan Publishing/Simon and Schuster. The book, co-authored by Trent Anderson and Seppy Basili, was released this month.

Oakland appears on a list of the 20 most underrated schools in the United States, according to a national survey of public and private high school guidance counselors. Universities were judged on classroom experience, campus environment and student life offered. The list also includes the University of Arizona, Duke University and the University of Chicago, among others.

"We're pleased to receive this kind of national recognition," said OU President Gary Russi. "This is further affirmation that Oakland University is one of the crown jewels of Michigan's outstanding public university system. I believe we received this accolade because we offer a quality education taught by a world-class faculty, a beautiful campus, a vibrant student life, all at an affordable cost."

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## **SUMMARY**

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