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OU tops Big 12 CPA pass rate

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The University of Oklahoma's Michael F. Price College of Business was named first in the Big 12 for the highest rate of first-time certified public accountant exam pass rates for universities, according to a report released by the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy.

At a pass rate of 82 percent, Price College students fared better than other schools in the conference by at least 7 percent. Baylor University followed OU with a pass rate of 75 percent, with Texas Christian University and the University of Texas tied at 71 percent. The national CPA average pass rate is 55 percent.

Price College's Steed School of Accounting is consistently ranked among the top in the nation by Public Accounting Report at both the undergraduate and graduate level for programs of its size. "Price College's Steed School of Accounting continues its climb among the nation's great programs in terms of research, teaching and student readiness for the professional workforce," Price College of Business Dean Daniel Pullin, wrote in a prepared statement.