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## COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

*Dr. Evelyn Harrell, Dean*

## DEPARTMENT OF ARTS &amp; HUMANITIES

**Mr. Adam Falik's** short story "In the Park" was published by the journal Tilted House in April. In addition, Mr. Falik serves as Faculty Advisor of The Observer, SUNO's student newspaper. The Observer will publish two issues this Spring 2021 semester, and has launched Saturday Knight Live, a bi-weekly news event that live-streams on Instagram from SUNO's Business Incubator building.

## DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL SCIENCES

**Dr. Christian Clement** is researching Theranostics together for August-May Spring 2021 with his SUNO Double Major Biology/Forensic Science Student Taylor G. Williams, an LA EPSCoR Undergraduate Research Experiences (SURE) intern for 2021. This ongoing investigations by Ms. Taylor is the second approval of her grant application in work titled 'Scientific approach in the manufacture of nano-efficient deep drug delivery to cancers'.

Dr. Clement has applied for a third grant funding from LA EPSCoR SURE undergraduate research for Ms. Taylor Williams for 2022 titled '3-D modeling of nano-efficient manufactured deep drug delivery to cancers and emerging Covid-19 type persistent viral infections'.

Dr. Clement has applied for the LOUIS OER-Open Education Resource Grant. Dr. Clement made inputs which specifically target Disability accommodations.

Dr. Clement coordinated and co-authored together with Faculty the SUNO input for the CDC Health Disparities COVID-19 grant application, led by the LA Health Department titled 'Expanding Curricula, Training and Outreach of Southern University at New Orleans Biology/Forensic Science, Nursing and Pre-med Undergraduate Students Under COVID-19 Response Health Equity Strategy with the LA Health Department.

## THE INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES PROGRAM

**Dr. Deneen Lewis** and **Ms. Ceaser Noble** attended a virtual "Big Times in the Big Easy Workshop" on Saturday, March 27, 2021, sponsored by the University of New Orleans with focus on the Prevention of Professional Burnout.

## MUSEUM STUDIES PROGRAM

**Dr. Haitham Eid** published his new book (co-edited with Melissa Forstrom) Museum Innovation: Building More Equitable, Relevant and Impactful Museums. It is now available for pre-order through the publisher's website <https://www.routledge.com/Museum-Innovation-Building-More-Equitable-Relevant-and-Impactful-Museums/Eid-Forstrom/p/book/9780367481391>.

On April 21 and April 22, 2021 Drs. Hollis and Eid attended the two-day training for Embark software in preparation for the opening of SUNO Museum of Art (SUNOMA).

Dr. Hollis article, "What Happens to the Art Collected in Nigeria", is published in the Spring 2021 issue of **Friends of Nigeria**.

## COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Igwe Udeh, Dean

### Academic Excellence Initiatives

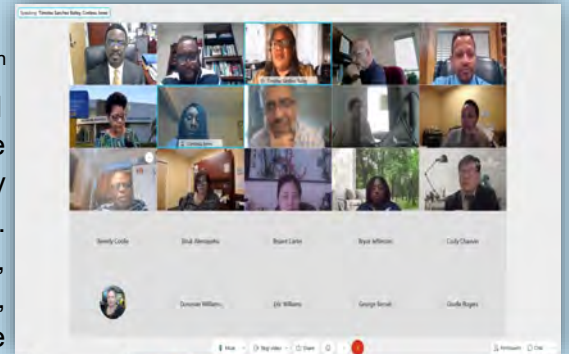
#### Cheikh Louleid, Business Major, Wins 2021 Deloitte HBCU Emerging Leaders Scholarship



**Mr. Cheikh Louleid**, a Business Administration major with concentration in Accounting at SUNO's College of Business & Public Administration was selected for the 2021 **Deloitte HBCU Emerging Leaders Scholarship** after intense competition with hundreds of students from around the country. Each of the 13 finalists selected by Deloitte was awarded a \$10,000 scholarship. "Deloitte is a leading global provider of audit and assurance, consulting, financial advisory, risk advisory, tax, and related services. Deloitte's subsidiaries in the US serve over 85 percent of US Fortune 500 companies." Mr. Louleid, who is preparing for a career at Deloitte, is also majoring in Mathematics and is graduating this semester (Spring 2021). He has been admitted by LSU and University of New Orleans to pursue a Master of Business Administration degree with concentration on Accounting. Cheikh is preparing for a career in the field of Accounting with emphasis in Data Analytics. The College of Business & Public Administration is proud of Cheikh and his accomplishments.

#### CBA Hosts Spring 2021 Assembly and Townhall Meeting

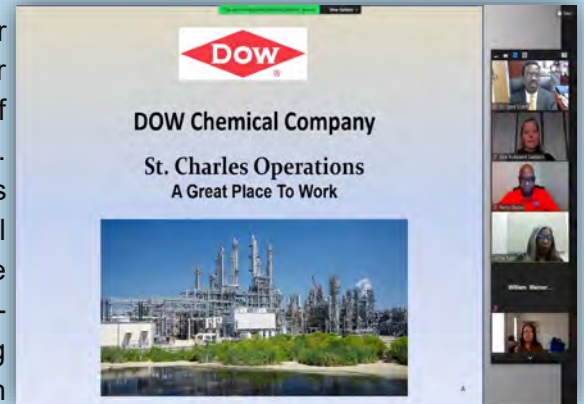
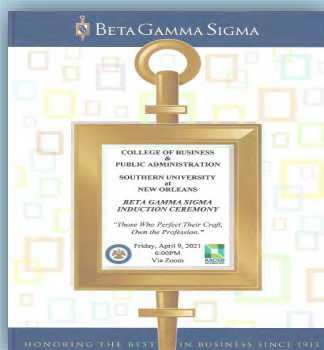
The College of Business & Public Administration hosted its 10<sup>th</sup> College Assembly and Townhall Meeting on Tuesday, March 23, 2021 and on Wednesday, March 24, 2021. Due to COVID restrictions, the event was held virtually. Fifty-four participants attended the day session and seventy-three participants attended the evening session. Dr. Derrick Warren, Interim Associate Dean and MBA Director, Southern University Baton Rouge College of Business; Director, Alumni Affairs; and Executive Director, Alumni Federation was the keynote speaker for both events. Prior to his roles at Southern, Dr. Warren spent over 32 years with IBM and was responsible for the overall client satisfaction, financials, and delivery execution of large accounts ranging in size from several hundred million to over a billion dollars in total contract value. He achieved success while living abroad leading global teams that provided complex technology solutions for corporations in Asia Pacific and Africa. The countries included Australia, Brunei, China, Hong Kong, India, Indonesia, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, New Zealand, Philippines, Singapore, Sri Lanka, Taiwan, Thailand, Vietnam, South Africa and Nigeria. The theme of the events was *"Emerging Careers in Business and Industry and the Skillsets Needed by College Graduates to Participate and Prosper in that Environment."* Dr. Warren used the presentation to expose to and engage students in to various opportunities for earning stackable IT certifications that are in high demand by employers. He informed the students that as a result of special relationship between several IT companies, such as IBM and HP, and the Southern University System, they have access to free or reduced cost high-demand IT certification programs on Artificial Intelligence, Cybersecurity, Data Science, Internet of Things, Cloud Computing, Design Thinking, Quantum Computing, and much more. Some of the certifications require no prior IT experience and very little time commitment. He encouraged all the participants – student, staff and faculty – to bulk up their tech savvy because the world now runs on IT. After leading the students through several demonstrations on how to sign up and prepare for the certification programs, the session turned to presentations by student club advisors, department chairs, and the CBA Director of Student Services, Mrs. Timotea Bailey. Participants were led through a review of the CBA Vision, Mission, Core Values, and Learning Objectives by the CBA Dean, Dr. Igwe E. Udeh. The session included a segment for students to introduce themselves as well their major, hometown, classification, and advisor.



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*(Continued)***Dean Udeh Participates in GNO Inc.'s Employer Connections Roundtable Series**

Dr. Igwe E. Udeh, Dean & Alvin James Lawson Endowed Professor of Business participated in a virtual GNO, Inc. Employer Connections Roundtable meeting on March 23, 2021. The focus of the presentations was growing internship and apprenticeship talent. The series brings together regional employers from GNO Inc.'s focus industry sectors with regional higher education partners, regional workforce center partners, and GNO, Inc. investor companies. The goal of the alliance is to connect regional talent to high-growth, high-wage jobs, and encourage relationship building and recruiting pipeline development for all parties involved. Dr. Will Wainwright with Northshore Technical Community College was the moderator of the the March 23, 2021 session. The featured company during the meeting was the Lake Charles Operations of Dow Chemical Company which presented a series of slides demonstrating the habits or skillsets of a typical internship or apprenticeship applicant, jobs related to those skillsets, tasks performed in those roles, and potential compensation for those hired into various apprenticeship and fulltime positions. There was a call for higher education partners to encourage and facilitate economic growth in the region by creating and supporting academic programs that train graduates to fill current high paying local jobs and also make the region attractive to employers of the future.

**CBA Holds Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honor Society Induction Ceremony**

Forty-seven candidates were inducted into the SUNO Chapter of **Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honor Society** (BGS) on Friday, April 9, 2021. The event was sponsored by the SUNO-DXC Technology Partnership. Beta Gamma Sigma is the scholastic honor society established to encourage and honor academic achievement in the study of business, to foster personal and professional excellence, to advance the values of the Society, and to serve its lifelong members. Chapter membership is available only to AACSB International-accredited colleges and schools including the SUNO College of Business & Public Administration. The virtual induction ceremony was presided over by the SUNO BGS President and BGS Life Member, Dr. Igwe E. Udeh, with the assistance of Dr. Yun Doo Lee (SUNO BGS Secretary and BGS Life Member) and Dr. Faisal Alkhateeb (BGS Life Member). They were also assisted by Mrs. Timotea Bailey, CBA Director of Student Services/Recruitment Manager, SUNO-DXC Partnership, Mrs. Shelina Gethers, CBA Administrative Assistant and Ms. Ria Brown, CBA Administrative Assistant. The theme of the ceremony was "Those who perfect their craft own their profession". The guest speaker for the ceremony was **Mrs. Kenyatta Ford-Theodore**, co-owner with her husband of several local Papa John's Pizza franchises and 2005 SUNO BS-Business Administration graduate. Mrs. Theodore-Ford shared her experience as a minority trying to get into a business with a very high entry barrier and fast-paced business. She reminded the graduates of the lessons she learned as a student at SUNO and how those experiences made her tough enough to overcome numerous discouragements along the way. She made it clear that not being born into money is not a fatal blow to anyone who has the resolve, work-ethic, integrity, and acumen to operate a business in today's tech-dominated marketplace. She offered to



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mentor any student who is interested in following her career path, and gave have contact information to them. She also asked the students to reach out to her if they needed assistance with their club activities and projects. Following her remarks, the candidates were inducted by the BGS President, Dr. Udeh, with the assistance of three SUNO graduates and BGS Life Members, Brandi Grimaldi, who proclaimed the meaning of BETA; Kimberly Warren who proclaimed the meaning of GAMMA; and Tolupe Okuboyejo who proclaimed the meaning of SIGMA. The 2021 ceremony included the 2019-2020 graduates who were unable to be inducted during the Spring of 2020 semester as a result of the COVID-19 Pandemic.

The 2019-2020 Inductees were Christina Balbosia; Cajuana Bass; Harry Bonnet; Corriane Burke; Rushane Edwards; Bobbie Hardy; Chales Helaire; Shantanya Higgins; Xylisa Richard; Michael Sentino; Henrietta Thomas; and Therese Tillery. The 2020-2021 Inductees were Nicholas Boyette; Samuel Brandon; Brittany Brumfield; Aundrea Campbell; Keandra Darjean; Solomon Davis; Demetrice Fontenberry; Alexis Fowler; Jharen Franklin; Jazzlynn Glaspy; Andre Gordon; Dewanda Hilton; Lolita Isom; Kaylah Jones; Shawanda Jones; Gregory Lazard; Cheikh Louleid; Venkata Sriram Murari; Charlyn Powell; Brandi Robert; Melissa Scott; Michael Sentino; Farhana Shaheen; Tiffani Smith; Akeem Terrel; Lucies Thompson; Praneeth Thumma; Vincent Turner; Camdon Wallace; Jazzmine Williams; Charles Wilson; Daniel Wint. One faculty member (Dr. Charles Briggs) and two staff members (Mrs. Timotea Bailey and Mrs. Shelina Gethers).



### **Journal Publication; Papers Under Review; Conference Paper Submissions:**

Igwe E. Udeh, "Learning Experience of Students Enrolled in Virtual and In-person Business Classes Taught by Foreign-Accented Instructors: A Male-Female Perspective" **International Journal of Research in Engineering, IT and Social Sciences**", Volume 11, Issue 03, March 2021, pp. 24-34.

Yun Doo Lee, "Bank Selection Criteria: Evidence from American Student before and during COVID-19", submitted for presentation during the **2021 Financial Management Association International (FMA) Annual Meeting**, October 20-23, 2021.

Yun Doo Lee, "Bank Selection Criteria: Evidence from American Student before and during COVID-19", submitted for presentation during the **2022 American Economic Association (AEA) Annual Meeting**, January 7-9, 2022.

### **Professional Conference Attendance & Papers Presentation:**

Obyung Kwun and David Alijani, "Changes in Types of Help Instructors Give During a Pandemic," presented at the **Institute for Global Business Research Spring 2021 Conference**, April 14-16<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Yun Doo Lee, attended the virtual *Global Chapter Advisor Council Meeting* for **Beta Gamma Sigma Business Honor Society**, April 12, 2021.

### **SBDMI Workshops/Seminars/Trainings/Meetings (April 2021)**

Mrs. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director, Small Business Development & Management Institute, reported the following activities and achievements during April 2021.

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- Louisiana Business Incubator Association (LBIA) Virtual Quarterly Board Meeting; April 1, 2021; Election of Officers; Cynthia Beaulieu Elected President of LBIA for a two year term.
- Live Broad Cast of WBOK Radio Program; Show broadcast remotely; April, 1,8,15,22, & 29, 2021; "SUNO Small Business Institute Network," sponsored by SUNO Small Business Incubator and Louisiana Economic Development (LED); The show offers valuable tools and information designed to help New Orleans small business owners take their business to the next level as well as assisting those individuals wishing to start a business. The show provides resources and information essential to small businesses. The show broadcast every Thursday 12:30 to 1:00 pm on WBOK AM Radio; Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director Host
- Submission of Grant to SBA to establish a Veteran Business Outreach Center at the Small Business Incubator Building; Submitted April 4, 2021; This outreach center for veterans, if funded, will provide entrepreneurial training, business development assistance, counseling, and management assistance to small businesses owned and controlled by eligible veterans; Dr. William Belisle & Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu
- Virtual NAACP Wealth Building Seminar, SBDMI Weekly Every Friday, Co-Host; April 2,9,16,23 and 30, 2021; Presented on Entrepreneurship as a wealth-building tool for minorities; Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director.
- Business Systemization Training; April 5, 7, 12,14, 19, 21, 26 & 28, 2021; 20 participants; six-week training sponsored by LED will assist businesses in creating a process dependent business
- Conference Call with new Officers of the National Association of Real estate Brokers (NARAB); April 6, 2021; Discuss direction and vision of NARAB and how the new administration of NARAB will work with SUNO-SBDMI and CBA; Ms. Denise Washington, New President and Jiarra Rayford, Board Member and Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu.
- Louisiana Economic Development (LED) Small and Emerging Business Development (SEBD) Virtual Quarterly Intermediary Meeting; April 8, 2021; All intermediaries from around the state meet to discuss best practices and give an update of each of our programs; Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu
- Student PodCast; April 10, 2021; Meet with Campus Newspaper staff and Faculty Advisor; Incubator will house every other week "SaturdayNight Live" PodCast facilitated by the students; Dr. Falik and Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu.
- Louisiana Notary Prep Training; April 7,14,21 & 28, 2021; CBA Room 100; 17 participants; In-depth weekly training in preparation for Louisiana Notary Law Exam; Mr. Craig Duronslet, Instructor, Mr. Cedric Morgan, Instructor, Ms. Diana Thomas, and Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director.
- Conference Call With Todd Villarrubia Disadvantage Business Enterprise (DBE) Workshop for the \$300M Charity Hospital Renovation; April 15, 2021; Workshop to instruct Minority Businesses Enterprises (MBE) to prepare and submit LAUCP applications to prepare for work on this upcoming project; Mr. Norman Roussel, Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu.
- Deep South Economic Mobility Collaborative Partner Virtual Call; 28 Representatives from other HBCU in the Collaborative and President of HOPE Federal Credit Union and representatives from Goldman Sachs, Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu.
- HBCU-CDAC Grant Assistance; April 25, 2021; Virtual Meeting; Discussion on the \$ 5 ½ M roll-out of the Funded grant awarded to the HBCU-CDAC Wells Fargo Financial Literacy Grant; Executive Board and Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director.
- Louisiana Economic Development (LED) Peer-to-Peer Roundtable; April 29, 2021, last sessions; Virtual Meetings; 14 participants; Business owners met for peer-to-peer learning, brainstorming, and problem-solving. Business owners safely explored business and personal issues in a supportive, confidential, and trusting environment. The roundtables are problem-solving sessions that address issues important to the business owner. Invited Industry guests to discuss access to new and innovative business and business growth; Ms. Irma Dixon, Facilitator, the Peer-to-Peer Guest Speakers.
- Tour of Small Business Incubator for future tenants; April 2021; several Incubator tours and what we have to offer potential tenants; Ms. Mary Thomas, Mary & Company, & Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director. Incubator now has 11 Tenants in the Incubator.
- Meeting to Develop SBDMI/Incubator's upcoming Seminars/Workshops; Ongoing; Ms. Diana Thomas & Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director.

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- Small and Emerging Business Development (SEBD); (Ongoing); 2 Assessments; Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director, Mr. Omar Aziz, Contractor
- SEBD One-on-One; (7); Call-in Clients; Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director, Consultant Mr. Omar Aziz & Ms. Diana Thomas
- Counseled; Incubator Clients; Mr. Omar Aziz and Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director

**Office of Student Services (OSS) April 2021 Report**

Mrs. Timotea Bailey, Director, CBA Office of Student Services and Recruitment Manager, DXC Partnership, reported the following activities and achievements during April 2021:

- OSS/DXC Team is proud to announce the 80 students who will be completing their program in the College of Business and Public Administration. This includes 7 students who were “recovered” and returned to SUNO after years of absence to complete their degrees. The breakdown of graduates is as follows – BA-PADM – 7, BS-BADM – 52, BS-CIS – 7, MS-CIS – 12.
- OSS/DXC Team congratulates the three additional alums who have been recently hired by DXC. The new hires are: Anjelica Jackson – 2020, MS-CIS graduate, Senior Assistant Customer Support; Roderick Peterson – 2020, MS-CIS graduate, Computing Environment Microsoft Dynamics Functional Consultant; and Goodnews Tangban – MS-CIS Graduate, May 2021, Professional Business Analyst. Christopher Francis – 2020, BS-CIS, also received an offer that has not been finalized.
- OSS/DXC Team members recently hosted the CBA Beta Gamma Sigma Honors Induction Ceremony. This year’s ceremony was conducted virtually and also honored the students who had been invited to be inducted in 2020 but was disrupted by the pandemic. Forty-four students were inducted including twelve 2020 graduates – 6 BADM, 3 BS-CIS, and 3 MS-CIS and thirty-three – 2021 inductees – 19 – BADM, 7-BS-CIS, and 6-MS-CIS. Thirty students will receive honors stoles – twelve 2020 graduates and Nineteen 2021 graduates. The speaker for the hour was Ms. Kenya Ford a 2006 BADM graduate and Papa John’s Franchisee. Ms. Ford shared her walk of faith, hard work and perseverance which helped she and her husband become “Franchisee of the Year.” Three previous inductees read the Greek alphabet of the BGS ritual – Brandi Gramaldi-Stampley, Tolu Oluaboyejo, and Kimberly Warren. The DXC Technology Partnership was a sponsor for this activity, and took care of the membership cost for the honorees.
- DXC Team members have closed out the AWS Cloud Computing class and has worked through a process to provide testing vouchers for attendees with the aid of DXC Project Manager and SU Law Center Chancellor
- OSS/DXC Team congratulates the six students BADM majors who have been selected to participate in the GNO Summer Entrepreneurship Internship opportunity. They are Cody Chauvin, Canisha DeGruy, Ariel McGruder, Katie Darjean, and Maya Sanders.
- OSS/DXC Team congratulates Malery Louis, who recently received a scholarship to participate in the IDEA Village, IDEAInstitute to develop and work with mentors for a business idea she submitted. Malery is a 2015 BA-PADM graduate and is currently a MS-CIS student.
- OSS/DXC Team continues to work on plans and logistic for the Southern in the Cloud, summer computing camp for high school juniors and seniors
- OSS/DXC Team attended an emergency meeting to discuss the 100% online PADM program, and subsequent Curriculum Committee Meeting in which the proposal was approved.
- OSS/DXC Team participated in the HBCU Workforce and Economic Development Meeting and has since connected with CBA student with the speaker, Perry Sholes, Founder & CEO, Corporate Internship Leadership Institute (CILI), for possible paid Summer internships



**COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT***Dr. Willie Jones, Interim Dean***Presentations:**

- Co-Presenter, "COVID-19 Pandemic: The Urgency and Current Impact on University and College Students' Mental Health" Research Association of Minority Professors (RAMP) Virtual Symposium, February 5-6, 2021. Co-presenter with colleague from the University of Louisiana at Lafayette, and Grambling University.
- Co-Presenter, "Awning Education, A Virtual Tool for Emotional and Social Assessment," Research Association of Minority Professors (RAMP) Virtual Symposium, February 5-6, 2021. Co-presenter with colleague from Linwood University, and the Founder of Awning Education. Served as a Judge for Symposium's Graduate Student Competition, February 6th.
- Co-presenter with colleague from Linwood University, and the Founder of Awning Education on the same presentation at the STL Virtual Symposium St. Louis, Missouri, January 9, 2021.

**Grants:**

Drs. Willie Jones, Jenita Hegwood, Celina Carson, Deborah Darby and Mrs. Kimberly Stanley were funded by the Louisiana Board of Regents to enhance the Unit's technological infrastructure by implementing technology in four (4) classrooms for the instruction of six (6) undergraduate and graduate method courses to support synchronous/asynchronous (Bisynchronous) instruction for \$51,227. The objectives of the project reflect the Teacher Education Department's mission to develop highly qualified teachers with technological proficiency for effective classroom instruction. The proposal was ranked tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) amongst the thirty-two (32) Targeted Enhancement Proposal submitted to the Board of Regents from universities across the state. The Reviewers commented, "*The proposal nicely integrates existing faculty research interests and professional accreditation standards to provide additional innovations to the new and 100% online MAT Special Education Mild/Moderate program. The proposed initiative has the potential to be far-reaching and should significantly impact the workforce in the greater New Orleans area. Moreover, the applicant provides clear linkages between the work plan activities and objectives of the project. The goal of enhancing the unit's technological infrastructure is aligned with the mission of the university; objectives are aligned with the goal and clearly measurable. Faculty will benefit from the technology, which will provide additional research capacity.*"

Dr. Deborah Darby has received grants from the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Foundation from 2014 to the present (2021). Dr. Darby has conducted an 'After-School/Summer Enrichment' Program that teaches instrumental music to children ages 4 – 16 years old. **\*\*\*\*Due to COVID-19, sessions are being conducted virtually.** In addition to music instruction, an integral part of the Program continues to focus on the enhancement of participants' academic skills (math, reading, and critical thinking skills).

**Marketing/Recruitment:**

Dr. Sherry Bachus provided the Career Counselor for L.B. Landry College and Career Preparatory High School, Algiers Charter, New Orleans with a packet of programs offered at SUNO College of Education and Human Development.

**Webinars:**

On April 6<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Bachus participated in the SACSCOC Virtual QEP Department Chairs Interview.

On April 7<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Bachus attended the Virtual SACSCOC On-Site Committee Exit Conference.

April 15<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Bachus attended and participated in the SUNO Lab School RTC Strategic Plan Virtual Meeting for



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the SUNO Early Childhood Lab School/Research and Training Center (RTC) with Jacqueline J. Edmond, President, Edmond Educational Enterprises, LLC, Dean Willie Jones, Dr. Jenita Hegwood, and other key stakeholder partners.

**Professional Development Activities:**

April 13th, 2021, Dr. Bachus attended the virtual workshop, "The Louisiana Board of Regents Speaker Series: Deb Adair, Executive Director, Quality Matters."

Dr. Darby attended the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Mental Health Association for Greater Baton Rouge Conference: "Behavioral Health: Evolving Through Change"

Date – April 12-13, 2021

Format – Virtual

Two (2) 'sample sessions':

Smartphone Use and Phubbing Among College Students

Identifying and Avoiding Thinking Traps, i.e., 'Attribution Theory' related to student success

**Community Outreach:**

Each semester, Dr. Darby's students are encouraged to become members of the 'International Anti-Bullying Association' (\*there is no membership fee), as well as the Random Acts of Kindness Organization – especially considering the possible emotional issues that the current COVID-19 crisis presents.

As the Executive Director of St. Bernard Enrichment & Rehabilitation Corporation:

In Partnership with the New Orleans Jazz and heritage Foundation, Dr. Darby secured Community Partnership Grants – 2014 to Present (2021)

**Teacher Education Club News:**

Dr. Darby submitted an application to Phi Delta Kappa to establish a university chapter of its Pi Lambda Theta Honorary Society which is open to undergraduate juniors or seniors and graduate students who have a GPA of 3.5 or higher in the Teacher Education Department

**Fall 2021, The College of Education will have a Chapter of Pi Lambda Theta, the Honor Society of Phi Delta Kappa (open to Juniors and Seniors with a GPA of at least 3.5.**

**College Events and Meetings:**

April 20<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Bachus attended the Virtual Faculty/Student Research Lab Meeting.

Throughout the month of April, Dr. Bachus conducted electronically advisement and registration for students in the College of Education and Human Development. Dr. Bachus advised and registered students remotely who were freshmen, transfers, and returning students. Dr. Bachus also addressed students concerns with regard to the COVID-19 Guidelines.

**American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences (AAFCS).**

On April 9<sup>th</sup>, Dr. Bachus was selected as a candidate for secretary of the Assembly of Higher Education (AHE) by AAFCS.

EDUCATIONAL TALENT SEARCH (TRIO)

Amelia Sellers, Director

McDonogh 35 Senior High School



**Mr. Taiquan Domino**, McDonogh 35 graduating senior and SUNO Talent Search participant is set to make history in May. Taiquan will be the first Hospitality Management and Culinary Arts and Culinary Arts dual enrollment student of the New Orleans Career Center (NOCC) to graduate with not only three industry certifications, but also nine college credits in hospitality from Delgado Community College.

"It feels great," Domino said of his accomplishment. "It's been a lot of working hard and staying focused on my end."

As a dual enrolment student, Domino spends half his day attending classes at McDonogh 35 Senior High School and then half his day at NOCC, which incorporates his Delgado classes into the program.

**Miss Torrance M. Taylor**, McDonogh 35 graduating senior is enrolled at the New Orleans Career Center (NOCC) and taking classes towards her Bachelors of Science in Nursing from Chamberlain University.



John F. Kennedy Senior High School

Shout out to these two John F. Kennedy and SUNO Talent Search participants. **Miss Anayah Bethley** and **Miss Annjelica Dotson** for winning the Black Lives Matter essay contest with their powerful words. They will also participant and share their essays in Washington, D.C.



STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

Dr. Adriel Hilton, Vice Chancellor

**INTRAMURAL SPORTS**

The Intramural Sports Program at Southern University at New Orleans offers students the opportunity to participate in a variety of intramural sports activities. These activities are designed to provide constructive use of leisure time, enrich collegiate extracurricular experiences, and develop team and individual growth skills. Navigating through the pandemic has shifted the design of our activities primarily to virtual mode with limited in person contacts. The activities created were focused on building a healthy body and mind. By utilizing social media outlets, the entire SUNO community is able to participate in yoga and meditation classes and strength training. The University Center and Gymnasium are open and students can reserve time slots for the pool tables, fitness room and basketball court.

# STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

*Dr. Adriel Hilton, Vice Chancellor*

## STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES

The SUNO Student Health Services Program focuses on preventive health care through education and is available to all enrolled students. Our top priority is making sure that our students and staff are safe both on and off the campus. Temperature checks are taken in all university buildings prior to entering. We also provide on campus Covid-19 testing for those who are experiencing symptoms or have come in contact with someone who has tested positive for the virus. SUNO served as a site for the COVID Vaccine. Vaccinations were provided to employees and their families, students and the neighboring community.

**Are you ready to bring back Louisiana?**

One-dose Johnson & Johnson  
COVID Vaccine

Coming to your neighborhood!

**SUNO Gymnasium**  
6400 Press Drive

**Saturday, April 10**  
9:00 am - 3:00pm

Pre-register at this link:  
<https://bit.ly/3clkOZH>  
Or scan the QR code

LET'S GET UP  
BRING BACK  
LOUISIANA



**STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT***(Continued)***STUDENT ACTIVITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS**

Our beautiful 2020-2021, Miss SUNO, Brianne Nelson celebrated an exciting week of Queen's activities. The highlight of which was the Queen's Brunch in which our very own SUNO alum the Honorable Regina Bartholomew-Woods, Louisiana Fourth Circuit Court of Appeal, served as the keynote speaker. Miss SUNO was also featured in *Black College Today* magazine, volume XX.



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The Student Government Association hosted a weekly vlogcast. Topics included “What is Your Leadership Style?”, “Navigating Through the Pandemic”, “Are you Addicted to Social Media? - The Effects of Social Media on Our Generation”, “Is Mental Health in the Black Community Still Taboo?”, and “Relationships – Do People Still Want to Get Married?” Students were able to post questions online and comment in real-time to the topic being discussed.



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### SUNO OBSERVER

The SUNO Observer team produced their Spring 2021 newspaper. To view Volume 15, Issue 1 go to [www.suno.edu/index.cfm?action](http://www.suno.edu/index.cfm?action). The *SUNO Observer* is the official student Newspaper of Southern University at New Orleans.



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## RESIDENTIAL LIFE

The 2020-2021 Resident Assistants were honored for their dedicated service. Resident Assistants play a key role in assisting the Residential Life staff. With the help of the Resident Assistants there is always someone available to assist students 24 hours a day.

2020-2021 Resident Assistants



SUNO Residential Life in conjunction with the NO/AIDS Task Force hosted free HIV testing. Educating students on the importance of “knowing your status” by providing confidential HIV testing.

**FREE HIV TESTING**  **KNOW YOUR STATUS**

**WHEN:** THURSDAY, MARCH 11th  
**WHERE:** SUNO HOUSING CLUBHOUSE  
**TIME:** 2pm - 4pm

**NO/AIDS TASK FORCE** **A CRESCENT CARE NO AIDS TASKFORCE INITIATIVE**  
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 **SUNO RESIDENTIAL LIFE**  
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STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

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**STUDENT DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

*“Shaping lives, Developing minds, and Creating wellness”* is the motto of the Student Development Center. The mission of SDC is to provide intentionally designed multifaceted services in a safe and conducive environment that facilitates growth, wellness, and development of the entire individual.

**INTERNATIONAL CENTER**

Southern University at New Orleans participated in the EducationUSA Sub-Saharan Africa HBCU Showcase. Dr. Josephine Okoronkwo, Director, Student Development Center represented Southern University at New Orleans. To date, the HBCU Showcase has reached 11,300 Facebook viewers with 5,400 engagements, 762 comments, 58 shares, and 1,060 reactions (likes).



**COMMUNITY SERVICE**

In an effort to continue the objective of igniting more civic mindedness and community involvement in our students, the Community Service component of the Student Development Center managed by Sheridan Cooper, J.D., hosted Food Truck Fridays and a SUNO Family Day/Crawfish Boil. The events served in a two-fold capacity. The main focus was to make students aware of community service opportunities while re-igniting a sense of student engagement and campus life. Food Truck Fridays was held in Residential Life, providing those students that reside in housing a complimentary lunch and an opportunity to speak one on one with university departments such as Community Service, Career Placement/Veterans Affairs, Counseling/Students with Disabilities Personnel, and TRIO.

The Student Development Center-Community Service in conjunction with the Student Government Association hosted SUNO Family Day and Crawfish Boil. The SUNO community and perspective students braved the rainy weather to come enjoy delicious crawfish and Plum Street Sno Balls. Participants were given a commemorative t-shirt designed by Student Government Association President, Jamaal Williams. Perspective students were welcomed and had an opportunity to speak with representatives from the Student Development Center, Admissions, Intramural Sports, Career Placement/Veterans Affairs, Residential Life, Counseling/Students with Disabilities Personnel, C.A.R.E.S., and the Student Government Association.

