

# Moving Forward

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## **Department of Natural Sciences**

Dr. Carl Johnson, Chair

#### 2020 Virtual Summer Programs

Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO) held a virtual STEAM Summer Camp for regional high school students on June 15th – July 10th, 2020. Twenty students from different high schools in the Greater New Orleans area attended the camp, which was funded by the Pipeline Development of Skilled Workforce in STEAM through Advanced Manufacturing (STEAM) grant, U. S. Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), and the Minority Serving Institution Partnership Program (MSIPP).



Dr. Rachid Belmasrour, who served as Camp Director, was joined by Co-Directors, Dr. Mostafa Elaasar, Dr. Zheng Chen, Dr. Heon Kim, and Dr. Christian Clement, with Ms. Sherron Bates coordinating the camp. Ms. Shayne Boykins, Mr. Dalbert Jimenez, Ms. Hey'Asia Lanaux, Mr. Zharrison Nedd, and Ms. Jessica Thomas, all STEAM Scholars, assisted the instructors during the summer program and performed research with STEAM's faculty members. The camp's curriculum consisted of ACT Prep, General Science Lectures, 3D printing activities and research in various scientific topics.

- The Department of Natural Sciences' Robert Noyce Program sponsored a virtual Summer Teaching and Enrichment Program from June 22 through July 16, 2020. This program operated through SUNO's Moodle and WebEx systems. Fifteen students from high schools across the state were selected for the program and ten students successfully completed the program and received certificates and stipends from the National Science Foundation's Robert Noyce Grant.
- Dr. Mostafa Elaasar co-authored a paper entitled "Parity-Violating Inelastic Electron-Proton Scattering at low Q2 Above the Resonance Region," PHYSICAL REVIEW C 101, 055503 (2020).

## **Museum Studies**

Dr. Haitham Eid, Director

The new SUNO Museum and the M.A. Museum Studies Program have received a significant donation of African art from local art collector and Tulane University Professor, Dr. William Bertrand. The donated objects have been appraised at nearly \$58,000.

## **Health Information Management Systems**

Dr. John Barrilleaux, Director

Congratulations are in order for Ms. Keirra Biagas. Ms. Biagas, a 2018 graduate of SUNO's HIMS Program, recently passed the Registered Health Information Administrator (RHIA) Exam and is currently employed at Tulane Medical Center.



## **COLLEGE OF BUSINESS & PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION**

Dr. Igwe Udeh, Dean

The College of Business & Public Administration's Dean Igwe Udeh has been appointed to the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business International's (AACSB) Initial Accreditation Committee (IAC) effective June 2020 and lasting until 2023.



## Small Business Development & Management Institute

Cynthia Beaulieu, Director

Ms. Cynthia Beaulieu, Director of SUNO's Small Business Development and Management Institute, participated in a virtual NAACP Wealth Building Seminar on July 17, 2020. Ms. Beaulieu presented on Entrepreneurship as a wealth-building tool for minorities.



## Office of Student Services

Mrs. Timotea Bailey, Director

The OSS/DXC Team, as part of the SUS DXC partnership, hosted a very successful and innovative Virtual Cloud Camp; a transformative experience for 25 SUNO and SUBR students.



## **Educational Talent Search (TRIO)**

Amelia Sellers, Director

#### **Educational Talent Search Virtual Summer Component**

Educational Talent Search participants, participated in a four week virtual ACT Prep Course with Mastery Prep. The students were engaged in the virtual learning component and is prepared to conquer the ACT test in the fall. The ETS participants received certificates upon completion.









#### Educational Talent Search Virtual Summer Speaker Series



Educational Talent Search participants had the opportunity via Zoom meeting to listen and interact with SUNO Alumni, Mr. Quintin Garrus and Dr. Christopher K. Gransberry speak on the importance of earning a postsecondary degree and how to achieve it as a first generation low-income student.



#### **ETSP Spotlight**



Our Spotlight is on Mr. Nathan Albert, a SUNO Alumnus and former Mr. Albert is the Technology Coordinator at McDonogh 35 High School under Inspire NOLA. Mr. Albert stated that HALLENGE he was always a person who loved to be behind the scenes. "My job here is to support everyone but most importantly to support the



students. Some students have never experienced using certain technology and he think this is the main purpose of his job, to support them." Congratulations!

#### **New ETSP Director Named**

Congratulations are in order for Ms. Amelia B. Sellers on her promotion to Director of the Educational Talent Search TRIO Program.



## **COMMUNITY OUTREACH & UNIVERSITY ADVANCEMENT**

Ms. LaVerne Toombs, Interim Chief Administrative Officer



#### AT&T Scholarship Fund

The AT&T award has provided \$10,000 in scholarship funding to Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO) for the 2020-2021 academic year. Scholarships are increasingly more important in today's economic setting from the perspective of the student as well as the educational institution. Donations to SUNO will provide scholarships for those who may not have any other means by which to obtain an education. SUNO's success is critical to providing the leaders of tomorrow with opportunities of today.

### Campus COVID-19 News

This past August 3rd and 4th, SUNO partnered with New Orleans East Hospital to conduct free drivethru COVID-19 testing at the Lake Campus. This came on the heels of a SUNO and Ochsner Health System collaboration to layout campus health and safety guidelines for our return to campus.





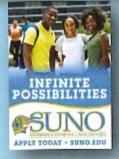
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