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### ***SUNO's freshman applications continue increase Spring enrollment increases***

NEW ORLEANS, LA - Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO) has experienced an increase in the number of freshman applications submitted. The number of freshman applications has increased 62% from the total number of freshman applications submitted for the fall 2008 semester (as of February 11, 2008) to the total number of freshman applications submitted for the fall 2009 semester (as of February 11, 2009).

“We are confident that our numbers will continue to grow as our recruitment efforts go on,” says Dr. Donna Grant, Executive Director of Enrollment Services for SUNO. “We expect to get a rush of students submitting new freshman applications as this spring semester comes to a close.”

SUNO also had an increase in spring enrollment. The spring 2009 enrollment is at 2,899 total students, up from 2,846 in the spring of 2008.

Dr. Victor Ukpolo, Chancellor of SUNO, feels encouraged about the prospects of increased enrollment in fall 2009 based on current enrollment and the rise in freshman applications. “We like what we see with our increases, and expect even more prospective freshmen to apply to SUNO in the coming months. Our capacity to serve more students is growing, given the fact that rebuilding of the institution will improve greatly by fall 2009, which will include a portion of our student housing. We look forward to working with new SUNO students to assist them with obtaining their degrees.”

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