

An aerial photograph of the Southern University campus in New Orleans, showing various academic buildings, green spaces, and parking lots. The image is faded and serves as a background for the top half of the cover.

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SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT NEW ORLEANS
**CHANCELLOR'S
REPORT**

NOVEMBER 2025

A MESSAGE FROM CHANCELLOR BOUIE

Dear Southern University System Board of Supervisors,

It is with great pride and appreciation that I present this comprehensive report highlighting the achievements, initiatives, and continued progress of Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO). Each page reflects the collective dedication, creativity, and perseverance of our faculty, staff, and students—individuals who embody the spirit of excellence that defines the Knight Nation.

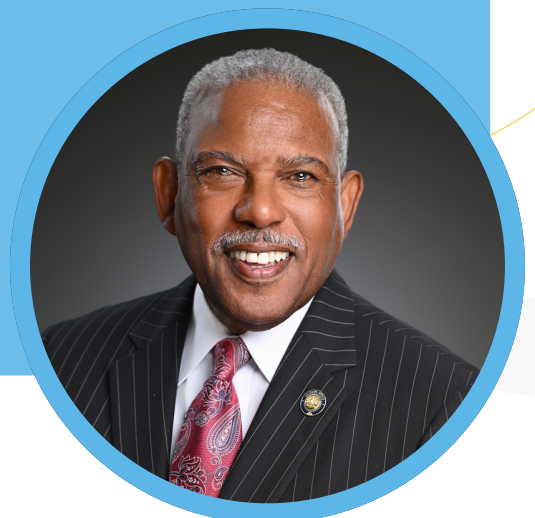
This report serves not only as a record of accomplishments but also as a testament to SUNO's mission to provide accessible, high-quality education while advancing the social, cultural, and economic development of our community. Across every division and department, our campus continues to demonstrate a deep commitment to academic innovation, student empowerment, and meaningful community engagement.

From the Fall Career Expo and Internship Fair to Forensic Science outreach initiatives, from Homecoming Week celebrations that rekindled our legacy to service-learning partnerships that strengthened community ties, this period has been filled with growth, impact, and inspiration. Our students have represented SUNO at national conferences and leadership institutes, our faculty have contributed to groundbreaking research collaborations, and our programs have expanded pathways for success that align with the evolving needs of today's workforce.

SUNO's story is one of resilience and renewal. As we continue to build upon our strong foundation, we are shaping a university that not only educates but also transforms lives—empowering students to become leaders, innovators, and change-makers who uplift their communities and influence the world.

I extend my deepest gratitude to every member of the SUNO family whose efforts, both seen and unseen, make these achievements possible. Together, we are writing the next chapter of a proud legacy—one defined by progress, purpose, and promise.

With gratitude and respect,
DR. JOSEPH BOUIE, JR.
Chancellor, *Southern University at New Orleans*



In the Know AT SUNO

KNIGHTS ON THE BAYOU: HOMECOMING 2025

Homecoming Week at Southern University at New Orleans was a vibrant celebration of Knight pride, tradition, and community. Under the theme “Knights on the Bayou: Legacy Reawakened,” the week brought together students, alumni, faculty, staff, and supporters to honor SUNO’s enduring spirit and culture. From spirited campus events and student showcases to the Royal Coronation, alumni gatherings, and the highly anticipated Homecoming Game, each moment reflected the strength, resilience, and unity of Knight Nation.

The festivities served as both a tribute to SUNO’s proud legacy and a reminder of its bright and promising future. For learning; it is a place where they can be seen, valued, and encouraged to flourish into something extraordinary.



EVENING AND WEEKEND COLLEGE MARKETING

Marketing efforts for SUNO's Evening and Weekend College (EWC) are in full motion, showcasing the university's commitment to expanding access and opportunity for working professionals and non-traditional learners. Billboards are now circulating across the New Orleans area, highlighting SUNO's flexible, career-aligned degree pathways designed to help adults advance their education without putting life on hold.

Through a strategic partnership with Cumulus Media, the campaign includes targeted digital ad placements and radio spots across major New Orleans markets, amplifying SUNO's message to diverse audiences throughout the region. In addition, Dr. Bree Cook, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs will be featured in three upcoming WWL-TV / Great Day Louisiana segments airing on **November 6, November 12, and December 8**, spotlighting SUNO's programs and student success stories.

These efforts lead up to the **EWC Open House**, scheduled for the evening of **December 4** on campus. This event will serve as an activation point to convert public interest into applications and enrollment for Spring 2026. The campaign's central message—*"Flexible, career-aligned programs for working adults and non-traditional learners"*—reinforces SUNO's position as the most accessible on-ramp to higher education in the region.



15 SEC AND 30 SEC TV SPOTS



BILLBOARDS



DIGITAL ADS



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

GENTILLY FEST

Southern University at New Orleans students proudly volunteered at the Gentilly Fest in Pontchartrain Park at the McBurnett Knox Playground. Participants from various departments assisted with event setup, vendor support, hospitality, crowd management, and cleanup—helping to ensure a smooth and enjoyable festival experience for all attendees.

Through their professionalism, teamwork, and enthusiasm, SUNO students exemplified the university's commitment to community engagement and service learning. Their involvement strengthened SUNO's connection with the local community while providing valuable hands-on experience in leadership, collaboration, and civic responsibility.



LOUISIANA ENERGY RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

Dr. Christian Clement, Chair of the Division of Natural Sciences (NATSCI) and Director/PI of the LADH/CDC-Southern University at New Orleans (SUNO) Health Resources program, along with faculty members Dr. Lisa Mims-Devezin, Dr. Murty Kambhampati, and Dr. Joe Omojola, represented SUNO at the Louisiana Energy Research Symposium. The event, hosted by the LSU Center for Energy Studies, the LSU Institute for Energy Innovation, and the Future Use of Energy in Louisiana (FUEL) initiative, highlighted cross-sector collaboration in addressing energy challenges.

SUNO serves as a partner in the FUEL multi-institutional, multimillion-dollar, multiyear grant, with Dr. Murty Kambhampati and Dr. Joe Omojola serving as University Lead Co-PIs. This year's symposium emphasized partnership—bringing together academia, government, media, and industry to share insights, shape policy, and generate new knowledge for Louisiana's energy future.

CENTER FOR CAREER AND PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

SUITING OUR STUDENTS

The Center for Career and Professional Development launched the “Suited Our Students” initiative to strengthen student career readiness and professional confidence. Through generous partnerships with Dress for Success and The Crescent City (LA) Chapter of The Links, Incorporated, SUNO scholars gained access to high-quality professional attire to prepare for interviews, internships, and other career opportunities. Beyond providing clothing, the program empowered students to present themselves with confidence, reinforcing the values of professionalism, preparedness, and self-assurance as they transition from the classroom to the workforce.



THURGOOD MARSHALL COLLEGE FUND LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE – WASHINGTON, D.C.

Southern University at New Orleans proudly recognizes Myles Bradford as a Thurgood Marshall College Fund Campus Yard Ambassador for his academic excellence and leadership.

Representing SUNO at the TMCF Leadership Institute in Washington, D.C., Myles engaged with Fortune 500 employers, participated in professional development sessions, and expanded his network—gaining valuable insights and skills to advance his career in the global workforce.



CENTER FOR FINANCIAL ADVANCEMENT REGIONAL CONFERENCE

The Center for Career and Professional Development successfully hosted the Center for Financial Advancement (CFA) Regional Conference, bringing together corporate partners and industry leaders committed to empowering SUNO students for financial and professional success. Representatives from Experian, Rocket Mortgage, Wells Fargo, and the Center for Financial Advancement provided invaluable insights on financial literacy, credit awareness, homeownership, and career pathways within the financial sector.

This collaborative event equipped students with the knowledge and resources to make informed financial decisions and to explore careers in banking, mortgage lending, and financial services. The conference underscored SUNO's ongoing commitment to fostering economic empowerment, career readiness, and strong industry partnerships that connect education to opportunity.



FALL CAREER EXPO & INTERNSHIP FAIR

The Center for Career and Professional Development hosted the Fall Career Expo & Internship Fair, connecting SUNO students with employers, industry partners, and graduate programs. Students explored career and internship opportunities while showcasing professionalism and confidence. The event reflected SUNO's continued commitment to workforce readiness, experiential learning, and student success.



FORENSIC SCIENCE

KIPP DAY AT SUNO

The Forensic Science Program, led by Interim Chair Ms. Brooklynn Johnson and the Forensic Science Club, hosted KIPP Day for students from Booker T. Washington, John F. Kennedy, and Frederick Douglass High Schools. Guests were welcomed by Dr. Meiko Thompson, Ms. Tiffany Aperwhite, and club members for an engaging presentation and Q&A session introducing forensic science, career opportunities, and life at SUNO. Students then participated in hands-on lab activities and discussions that sparked interest in STEM and higher education. The event strengthened SUNO's connection with local schools and inspired future scholars to pursue forensic science and other academic pathways.



FORENSIC FRIDAY – THE NET HIGH SCHOOL



The Forensic Science Program and Forensic Science Club hosted Forensic Friday for students from The Net High School. Guests were welcomed by program faculty and club members for an engaging presentation, Q&A session, and hands-on lab activity introducing them to forensic science and career opportunities in the field. Following a campus tour led by Ms. Samantha Beaulieu, students enjoyed lunch with Forensic Science Club members, gaining firsthand insight into college life at SUNO. The event inspired participants to explore higher education and consider future studies in forensic science.



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