

DAY AT THE CAPITOL

SU System President Ray L. Belton spoke to a packed room at the Capitol during the press conference for HBCU DAY at the Capitol on April 24. During his opening comments, President Belton recognized SUSLA Chancellor Rodney Ellis along with the other SU Chancellors. Miss SUSLA's Caityln Jones was also recognized during the event. In his comments, President Belton referenced the LA Board of Regents newly unveiled Plan for producing 85,000 students by 2030. He placed special emphasis on the Plan's strategies for addressing equity issues and the critical role of HBCU's and the (SU) System in the attainment of degrees to fill the State's workforce skills gaps.

Members of the Executive team joining Dr. Ellis on the trip were Dr. Melva Williams, Dr. Sharron-Herron Williams, Stephanie Rogers. Program Administrators present included Dr. Tuesday Mahoney, Dr. Albert Jackson, Darrin Dixon; in a host loyal SUSLA leaders. SGA Advisor Rebecca Gilliam teamed up with other program managers to make a strong SUSLA showing at the Capitol.



2ND ANNUAL ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS CONFERENCE



The Academy of Excellence held the second annual Administrative Professionals Conference on April 25, 2019. Organized by Fatina Elliott, Coordinator of the Academy, this year's professional development conference featured a full day of workshops facilitated by speakers, experts in the respective fields, from the community and SUSLA campus sites. The day concluded with Dr. Ellis joining in with supervisors to thank and express their appreciation to the Administrative Professionals for the exceptional service they render to students and employees at SUSLA.

FROM THE DIVISION OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

DR. LONNIE MCCRAY INDUCTED INTO LOUISIANA 4H HALL OF FAME



L to R: Dr. Lonnie McCray and Dr. Lepley Associate Vice President and Program Leader for 4H Youth Development

Dr. Lonnie McCray, Dean of the Division of Arts, Humanities, Social Sciences, and Education at Southern University in Shreveport has been inducted into the Louisiana 4H Hall of Fame. Dr. McCray's career accomplishments have never deterred him from giving his time and knowledge to 4-H as he has been a dedicated 4-H alumnus and the epitome of 4-H volunteerism in Caddo Parish since 2004. Dr. McCray has served in many leadership roles. As a 4-H volunteer, he serves as an advisory leadership council facilitator; a judge for scholarships, talent, bake-off and cookery contests; and as a presenter at the end of year event.

As the 4-H Advisory Council facilitator, he leads the council through decision-making processes, creates a sense of belonging with all members — especially the youth — and ensures their voices are heard. He has created and presented engaging hands-on activities for hundreds of youth during our end-of-year event the last five years. Dr. McCray also judges the parish 4-H scholarships and has served as a phone judge for state Executive Board applicants. Because of the effect 4-H had on his life, he strives to provide similar experiences to today's youth. Dr. McCray, on behalf of the entire SUSLA family, **WE SALUTE YOU!**

SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY AT SHREVEPORT PROFESSOR CONDUCTS GRANT WRITING GBOKO BENUE STATE NIGERIA

Dr. Joseph Orban, a Distinguished Professor of Biomedical Sciences from Southern University at Shreveport Louisiana is currently serving as U.S. Fulbright Scholar 2018-19 at Benue State University (BSU) Nigeria.

As part of his Fulbright activities outside the host institution BSU, Dr. Orban conducted a 2-day Grant Writing Workshop to the faculty and staff of the University of Mkar at the invitation of the Vice Chancellor of the University of Mkar, Professor Dickson Iorwuese Gernah. The workshop which was attended by 70 participants covered Concepts of proposal development, Federal grants, State grants, Foundation grants, Contracts and Cooperative agreement.



SUSLA's Dr. Orban conducting Grant Writing Workshop at University of Mkar Nigeria



SIGNING DAY FOR FUTURE SU COLLEGE CONNECT STUDENTS

The SU College Connect Program is gearing up for the 2019 fall semester. High school students throughout LA have heard about the program and have been requesting for members of the Connect team to speak with their students. Remarkably, the Mentorship Academy in Baton Rouge contacted Connect about their Mentorship Academy Signing Day. On April 12, 2019 in the SUBR Mini-dome, all students enrolled in the academy were present to support the class of 2019. Students in the class of 2019 identified their names, their intended majors, and the institutions that they

hoped to attend in the fall. SUSLA was ecstatic to learn that 50 students from the Mentorship Academy has chosen to be on the SUBR campus this fall through the SU College Connect Program. Advisors from the academy are working with the Connect team to get the students ready and enrolled for the fall. This invitation is a first for Connect, but the team is looking forward to many more. SUSLA is taking New Orleans and Baton Rouge by storm! Go Connect! The SU College Connect Program is offered through Academic Affairs, Dr. Sharon Herron-Williams, Vice Chancellor and managed by Vanessa Leggett, Program Director. To learn more contact vleggett@susla.edu

SUSLA RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY STUDENT WINS FIRST PLACE!

SUSLA's Radiologic Technology Program student Jeff Yeager recently won first place at the 2019 Midwinter Junior Division Student Bee Competition. The event was hosted by the Louisiana Society of Radiologic Technologists (LSRT) in Alexandria, LA. SUSLA student Moneat Washington brought home the fourth place trophy in the competition.

Each year, students from accredited radiologic technology programs from across the state of Louisiana, individually compete in the LSRT Student Bee competition for accolades, monetary prizes and to champion their institution as having the winning students. The purpose of this competition is to encourage student membership in LSRT, to provide healthy competition among student technologists and to recognize the student who demonstrates expertise in radiologic technology theory. Competing Institutions include Baton Rouge General, McNeese State University, Louisiana State University at Alexandria, Louisiana State University at Eunice, Southern University at Shreveport, and the University of Louisiana at Monroe.

FROM THE DIVISION OF COMMUNITY & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (CWD)

STUDENTS SEEK OPPORTUNITIES AT SUSLA'S CAREER & TRANSFER FAIR



SUSLA hosted its annual Spring Career and Transfer Fair on Thursday, April 4, 2019 in the Health & Physical Education Complex. Over seventy students visited with twenty-six vendors who were seeking exciting and motivated applicants to add to their teams or institutions. The fair afforded participants to meet with hiring managers, become more familiar with career opportunities and learn more information about programs offered at 4-year colleges and universities.

Some of the companies attending the fair included: Goodwill Industries, Barksdale Federal Credit Union, LA Job Connection, Shreveport Fire Department, Southern University Baton Rouge, Alcorn State University, Louisiana State University Shreveport, Grambling State University and Wiley College. According to Don Howard, Director of Career Services at SUSLA, several students secured on-the-spot interviews and one vendor said that it was the best fair he had attended this year.



The Career and Transfer Fair was sponsored by: The Office of Career Services with support from Community and Workforce Development, Human Resources, Student Support Services and Veterans Upward Bound. The Fall Career and Transfer Fair is scheduled for October 31, 2019

FROM THE DIVISION OF STUDENT AFFAIRS & ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

SUSLA DUAL ENROLLMENT EARLY COLLEGE ACHIEVEMENT STUDENT AFFAIRS AND ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT ETS PROGRAMS SPONSORED THE END OF YEAR ACTIVITY

Southern University at Shreveport's Dual Enrollment Early College students ended the academic year with a college tour sponsored by Trio Educational Talent Search, Ms. Tonja Prudomme and LeVester Mills, Advisors. Woodlawn High School and Booker T. Washington both participate in a special dual enrollment early college program. The partnership with Caddo Parish and SUSLA offers students opportunities to take SUSLA college courses on campus each week throughout the academic year, allowing them to earn a certificate and/or Associate Degree at the time of their High School graduation. Five BTW students will graduate with the SUSLA Class of 2019 earning a Certificate in Early Childhood Development through the program. Special thanks to Dr. Melva Williams, Dr. Sharon Herron-Williams, Sandra Bigham, Dr. Lonnie McCray, Dr. Terrance Vincent, Dr. Tuesday Mahoney, Monica McEachin and a host of Faculty members for serving as the administrators and Instructors for this project.



SUSLA offers Dual Enrollment opportunities to multiple High Schools throughout Louisiana. Educational Talent Search provides college readiness experiences for target Middle and High Schools in Caddo Parish. Learn more at www.susla.edu

STUDENT AFFAIRS & ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT COLLEGE ACCESS TEAM ATTENDS THERE-ENTRY ALLIANCE FOR LOUISIANA CONFERENCE 2019



Southern University at Shreveport SA&EM College Access Team is keeping it real at the R.E.A.L State Conference 2019. Dr. Tuesday Mahoney, Assistant V C for College Access and her newest team members Carla Buntyn, Educational Opportunities Centers, and Latoya Hemphill, Coordinator of Adult Education/YNI participated with Dr. Melva Williams, V C Student Affairs and Enrollment Management in Baton Rouge at the R.E.A.L. Help Conference (Re-Entry Alliance for Louisiana) as special guest of Stephanie Rogers, SUSLA Chief Advancement Officer, Institutional Advancement and Executive Board Member of R.E.A.L. The team attended engaging sessions that shared best practices, trends, issues, and resources to support formerly incarcerated individuals and families impacted by the reentry efforts.

SUSLA's Trio Educational Opportunity Centers (Reta Stewart, Director) serves the Caddo Correctional Center Reentry Program by providing college preparation and career opportunities. Learn more about how SUSLA works to support returning citizens by contacting Reta Stewart at rsteward@susla.edu

SUSLA: A COLLEGE LIFE EVENT

SUSLA: A College Life - A college readiness workshop sponsored by College Access, Trio Educational Talent Search, Dual Enrollment, and the Office of Admission and Recruitment hosted over 100 High School students at the SUSLA campus during Spring Fest 2019. Prospective "Future Jags" students from throughout the region received a hard knocks look at the college application process and college survival tips. Students engaged in networking activities that increased their knowledge of key strategies to apply and navigate college at SUSLA. Students participated in a campus tour and Spring Fest activities on the yard.

Dr. Tuesday Mahoney, Assistant V C for College Access and Jorge Sousa,

Director of Admissions and Recruitment coordinated the event concept to increase awareness and improve first generation and low-income students opportunities to enter SUSLA. SUSLA plans to host the event each Spring for Dual Enrollment students.



COCO RECIPIENT OF THE 2019 HERA EDUCATION AWARD

The SUSLA campus extends congratulations to Ms. Karen Coco, Director of Student Support Services. Ms. Coco is a recipient of the 2019 HERA Education Award from the Shreveport Mayor's Commission for Women. The award recognizes women leaders who are making significant contributions to the community within various areas of professional and civic services.

As a member of the Student Support Team under the Division of Student Affairs, Ms. Karen Coco dedicates her career, time and effort to helping students acquire the additional services they need to succeed on the college level.

On Friday, March 29, The Women's Commission will officially recognized Ms. Coco and other honorees for their outstanding contributions in a Celebration of Women's History Month Luncheon at the Shreveport Convention Center. Karen Coco, on behalf of the entire SUSLA family, [WE SALUTE YOU!](#)



SUSLA CATCHES "Spring Fest Fever"!

"Spring Fest 2019": April 16, 2019 at Southern University at Shreveport Springfest fever was in the air. Students, faculty and staff enjoyed fun activities, great food, and festivities signaling that the end of the semester is near! Greek organizations shared in the tradition on the "Yard" with tables displays of black history, culture, and campus life resources – all to encourage retention of SUSLA students. Thanks to guests Zeta Phi Beta, Delta Sigma Theta, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Omega Psi Phi, Kappa Alpha Psi, for hosting a table on the yard and scrolling for our Jags.



JAGUAR EMPLOYEE of the MONTH

***Dr. Rodney A. Ellis, Chancellor is pleased to announce
Tracey Grayson
as Jaguar of the Month for May 2019.***



Congratulations to Tracey Grayson, Special Assistant to the Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and the CFO.

Tracey's extraordinary customer service skills are exemplary. Her willingness to assist others and commitment to education is unequaled; as she arrives with a smile and a friendly greeting for colleagues and students alike. Often observed providing ways to assist students with the enrollment process, financial aid and other aspects in becoming a Jaguar; is almost an inevitable aspect of Tracey's character.

As Tracey maintains a "Team Player" personality, she volunteers and lends her creative talents and services to various departments throughout the campus. Her ability and ambition to organize, lead and motivate others are qualities that are expressive of outstanding employees.

During Tracey's tenure at Southern University she has renewed and reinvigorated the spirit of cooperation, collaboration and education. She has captured through effort and achievement the commitment of education by completing a Bachelor's degree. She imparts this philosophy with our students to provide motivation and encouragement through their educational journey.

Thank you for your service, Tracey Grayson! SUSLA 's Jaguar Employee of the Month!

JAGUAR STUDENT of the MONTH

ALOYNA LEWIS is a star women's basketball player for SUSLA's Lady Jags. Miss Lewis was named 2nd team all conference player for the season and was the 2018-2019 2nd leading scorer for the Lady Jags. She is a native from Jonesboro, LA with a cumulative 3.5 GPA for the fall semester.

CONGRATULATIONS! Aloyna Lewis - Student Jag of the Month



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