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SUNO posts highest enrollment since Hurricane Katrina

NEW ORLEANS, LA. – Southern University at New Orleans’ (SUNO) enrollment has exceeded the fall 2008 figure of 3,105 students with 3,163 currently enrolled for the fall 2009 semester according to preliminary numbers.

The figure also includes an increase in first-time freshmen at 426 from 353 in fall 2008. Additionally, there was also an increase in transfer students from last fall at 286 to 349 this fall. The numbers represent a significant increase since 2005 when waters from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita consumed the Park Campus.

“We are pleased with this post-Katrina trend of enrollment increases since reopening SUNO in 2006. More students appear to be making our institution their first choice in terms of where to attend college, and this bodes well for our immediate and long term future. Our recruiting staff works extremely hard to contact students and create innovative methods for reaching them,” said Victor Ukpolo, Ph.D., Chancellor of SUNO.

The figures will not be finalized until the fourteenth day of class, which will be September 11th according to Ukpolo.

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