

UL System News

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Monroe

UL System Board Welcomes New Student Member

STUDENT LEADER ALSO APPOINTED TO STATE FINANCIAL AID COMMISSION

The Board of Supervisors for the University of Louisiana System inducted Mallory Wall as its new student board member Friday.

Wall, McNeese State University's Student Government Association President, will also serve on the Louisiana Student Financial Assistance Commission.

"Mallory brings so much energy and drive," said ULS President Sally Clausen. "She represents the UL System students very well, and I think we can expect great things from her."

The Lake Charles native is a senior mass communications major and previously served on McNeese's SGA as vice president and director of internal affairs.

She actively volunteers for the Children's Miracle Network, American Heart Association, and Habitat for Humanity.

Despite her many activities, Wall maintains high grades, earning a place in two honor fraternities and garnering scholarship awards, including TOPS.

"I look forward to tackling tough issues this next year such as tuition and financial aid policies," said Wall.

"Being able to participate



Pictured left to right: ULS General Counsel Kay Kirkpatrick, LSU Student Board Member Lacy Spencer, and ULS Student Board Member Mallory Wall

during the Legislative Session gave me a chance to really study the delicate balance between college needs and student financial aid needs."

The ULS Student Board Member position is elected annually by fellow SGA presidents in the System.

More Students Have Access to College-Prep Information

With the combination of a UL System-sponsored website and the recently launched Louisiana Board of Regents' toll-free line (1-866-415-2269), students have more opportunities to learn about college preparation.

"These are powerful information gateways. Information is out there – only a click or phone call away," said UL System Student Board Member Mallory Wall.

The University of Louisiana System has implemented a public awareness campaign since 2003 to help students better prepare for rising admissions criteria at Louisiana universities.

The "R U Ready?" campaign, sponsored primarily by private funds through the UL System Foundation, features

television and radio public service announcements, publications, bookmarks, presentations to schools and community groups, and a website (www.rureadyinfo.net).

"Today, more and more students are going online to gather information," said UL System President Sally Clausen. "We wanted to capitalize on this technologically-savvy generation by making college-preparation information available at their fingertips."

Students, parents, and counselors can visit the website to access:

- New admissions criteria with a list of the required courses
- Frequently asked questions developed with the Board of Regents

- Informational links such as TOPS and federal student financial aid
- An online information request form

UL System Student Government Association Presidents have endorsed and worked closely on the "R U Ready?" campaign since its beginning, participating in the PSAs, making presentations, distributing materials, and spending time with students.

For College-Prep Information:

1-866-415-2269 or

www.rureadyinfo.net

University Spotlight - Southeastern Louisiana University



TECHNOLOGY IMPROVES ADVISING

Southeastern Louisiana University's online student-athlete progress reporting system recently won the Outstanding Advising Technology Innovation Certificate of Merit from the Na-

tional Academic Advising Association (NACADA).

Implemented Spring 2004, the Internet-based progress reporting system allows faculty to quickly and easily send progress reports about student athlete performance to counselors and coaches.

The result is more faculty

participation and earlier intervention for student athletes with academic difficulties.

The reporting system currently has an 85 percent faculty/staff response rate. In addition, 77 percent of the students receiving academic support improved their grade point

averages.

The NACADA was organized in 1979 to promote quality academic advising and professional development. The organization includes almost 8,000 members of college faculty, advisors, administrators, and counselors.

University Spotlight – McNeese State University



Nursing Program Hits 50-Year Mark: Training nurses has come a long way at McNeese State University. The University's nursing program celebrated its 50th anniversary with a reunion on June 11. Above are scenes from McNeese's nursing classrooms in 1957 (left) and today (right).

Board Action

The Board of Supervisors for the UL System approved the following university requests:

Academic & Student Affairs

- UL Monroe: Make organizational and administrative changes in its Academic Affairs Unit.
- UL System: Board of Regents updates to the State-wide Student Transfer Guide.

Joint Athletic & Audit

- LA Tech: Employment contract and agreement for Mr. Chris Long, Head Coach, Women's Basketball, effective

July 1, 2005.

- UL System: System Universities Fiscal Year 2005-2006 Internal Audit Plans.

Facilities Planning

- LA Tech: Lease agreement between the Louisiana Tech Foundation, Inc. and the Board of Supervisors for the purpose of constructing a Trenchless Technology Research Facility.
- UL Monroe: Demolish and/or remove five houses located at Bon Aire Dr. and McGuire St., Monroe, La.
- UL Monroe: Restore North-

east Campus Ministries access to a city street, Bayou Drive, by constructing a private drive for the organization after its current access, Delano Street, becomes part of the planned parking lot and ceases to exist.

- UL Monroe: Enter into a lease agreement, with option to purchase, between the Board of Supervisors and the UL Monroe Facilities, Inc. for the Bienville Property.

Finance

- Acceptance of the Fiscal Year 2004-05 Representation letters: LA Tech, Northwest-

ern, Southeastern and UL System.

Personnel

- Nicholls: Appoint Dr. Badiollah Asrabadi as Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.
- Nicholls: Appoint Dr. Albert Davis as Dean of University College.
- Nicholls: Appoint Mr. George Kaslow as Acting Dean of Chef John Folse Culinary Institute.