



PRESIDENTS' COMMITMENT TO ENHANCING STUDENT SUCCESS
A Resolution

WHEREAS, America faces serious challenges to the quality of life afforded all of its citizens through access to strong and relevant education and that meeting these challenges is essential to the health of our democracy, the strength of our economy, and our nation's leadership in the world; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's current challenges in educating its population limit the State's access to a competitive workforce and a vibrant economy; and

WHEREAS, Louisiana's future prosperity is dependent upon the educational attainment of its citizenry in order to ensure a highly skilled and trained workforce;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the University of Louisiana System presidents agree to the following goals that strengthen Louisiana's workforce and reflect a continuing commitment to student success and success.

- Goal 1: Generate 2,400 additional new graduates by 2012. These new graduates will include the following targeted high-demand professions to directly address the present and future workforce needs of Louisiana:
- 375 (Education)
 - 330 (Health Care)
 - 115 (Engineering)
 - 440 (Business)


Additionally, the total number of degrees awarded to underrepresented students will reflect the existing state and regional demographics.


- Goal 2: Accelerate student progression to reduce time to graduation from 6 to 5 years by 2012.


- Goal 3: Ensure the relevance of University of Louisiana System graduates to the State's workforce by tracking and monitoring their performance and progress in the workplace by 2012.

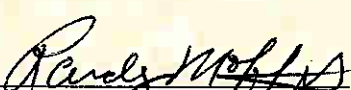
To achieve these goals, University of Louisiana System presidents commit to seeking data-driven, innovative, and collaborative initiatives within their institutions while strengthening existing and developing new partnerships with businesses as well as Louisiana's education community.

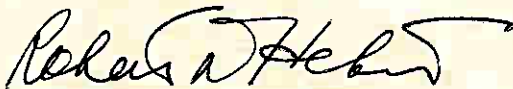
Signed this 27th day of March, 2008



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