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Loyola University New Orleans, a Catholic and Jesuit institution, seeks a forward-thinking, visionary leader to serve as its next Provost and Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs (“Provost”).

The university, with its remarkable history and rich Jesuit tradition, is situated in one of the most culturally vibrant and distinctive cities in the nation. Together with [President Xavier Cole](#) and a dynamic senior leadership team, the Provost will have an unparalleled opportunity to shape academic programs during a time of transformation. The Provost will be a capable and creative leader, developing innovative strategies to leverage the disciplinary diversity of Loyola New Orleans and promote a sustainable financial model that fosters academic and student success. The search committee welcomes candidates who deeply understand Loyola’s Catholic Jesuit mission and ethos and possess the ability to inspire and engage others in this mission.

At Loyola University New Orleans, students, faculty, and staff live by the mottos “men and women with and for others” and *Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam*, doing everything in love “for the greater glory of God.” Academic excellence, a commitment to social justice, and strength in diversity and inclusion are all hallmarks of Loyola, an institution dedicated to shaping both minds and hearts. Guided by Jesuit intellectual rigor and Ignatian spirituality, Loyola instills in its community the value of always striving for the *magis*, translated from Latin as “the more.”



## THE UNIVERSITY

Founded in 1904 as Loyola College by the Society of Jesus, Loyola is one of twenty-seven Jesuit Catholic universities and colleges in the United States. The university is grounded in the liberal arts and sciences, while also offering opportunities for professional and online studies at the undergraduate and graduate levels.

Loyola has unique strengths including a Jesuit Social Research Institute which offers a prison education program, a specialized degree in music industry studies, a nurse-midwifery program, and a student newspaper founded in 1923 that wins awards year after year (and these are just a few of our many examples). In Fall 2023, Loyola enrolled a total of 4,468 students, including 3,061 undergraduates and 792 law and graduate students, 552 online undergraduate and graduate students, and 63 continuing education students. In 2023, 95 percent of on-campus undergraduates were full-time students. Approximately 66 percent of undergraduate students are female and 34 percent are male. Loyola boasts a diverse student body representing 47 states and 52 countries, and racial and ethnic minorities represent 52.4 percent of non-international undergraduate students. Loyola draws students from across the country and the world, with the majority of enrolled students hailing from outside of Louisiana. The student body is exceptionally diverse; approximately 33 percent of the incoming freshman class are the first in their families to attend college while another 37% of undergraduates received Pell grants in Fall 2023. The university

is committed to inclusive excellence and attracts highly motivated, well-prepared, and committed students. The average GPA of the most recent incoming first-year class was 3.57, the average ACT composite score was 23, and the average SAT score was 1163. Approximately 90 percent of all undergraduate students receive some form of financial aid as well as grants or scholarships. Loyola is also proud to have a dedicated team of faculty and staff, all deeply committed to advancing the institution's mission and ensuring its future success.

The university is consistently ranked among the top institutions in the South. In Fall 2020, just one year after leaping from regional level rankings to the national stage in annual U.S. News and World Report (USNWR) rankings, Loyola jumped 15 spots to land at No. 61 in the nation for undergraduate teaching, tied with Columbia and Cornell, among others. Closer to home, Loyola is consistently ranked in the top three universities in Louisiana. In 2024 Loyola ranked among USNWR's "Top Performers on Social Mobility," falling in at No. 273. In 2021 Loyola ranked No. 26 in "Best International Business" and in 2022 No. 14 "Best Graduate Entrepreneurship Programs." In the 2022 Best Colleges edition of USNWR, Loyola is ranked No. 42 in the nation as a "Best Value School," providing one of the region's best values in higher education. The College of Law, which is one of only a few that offer programs both in Common and Civil Law, continues to rise in the national rankings, currently No. 130 out of 196 in the 2024 USNWR rankings. Loyola University New Orleans is one of the nation's best institutions for undergraduate education as one of the Best

390 Colleges, one of the most culturally inclusive, and as a rated Green College according to The Princeton Review. In its 2025 rankings, The Princeton Review singles out Loyola in several national rankings, including: Lots of Race/Class Interaction, No. 2; Friendliest Students, No. 14; Best College Newspaper, No. 17; and Town-Gown Relations Are Great, No. 8.

Loyola delivers a university experience unlike any other in the nation, providing a transformative Jesuit education in one of America's most distinctive and historically significant cities. New Orleans, the birthplace of modern jazz music and the host to renowned culinary and cultural offerings, is also home to a burgeoning entrepreneurial ecosystem and a vibrant arts scene.

The next Provost of Loyola University New Orleans will share the university's commitment to Jesuit Catholic values in higher education and lead the enhancement of Loyola's academic programs as a distinctive educational experience for a highly diverse student population. Loyola seeks an accomplished scholar with a track record of transformative leadership and a deep understanding of, and passionate commitment to, faculty development, student success, engagement, and interdisciplinary collaboration. The Provost will have experience in resource generation, allocation, and prioritization in academic operations to create a viable, sustainable economic model. The Provost will also serve as an engaged and visible leader on campus and beyond, with a transparent, approachable, and facilitative management style.



# THE ROLE OF THE PROVOST

Serving as both the University's Chief Academic Officer and its second-ranking officer, the Provost leads university-wide strategic planning and is responsible for leadership and oversight of the University's academic programs, policies, and intellectual life. Responsible for all colleges, academic departments, and programs, the Provost oversees the processes of faculty appointment, development, promotion, and tenure. In fulfilling the responsibilities of the office, the Provost works with Deans, Vice Presidents, Vice Provosts, and Executive Directors to attract and retain a diverse faculty, staff, and student body.

The Provost represents the University in all respects in the President's absence. This position requires a leader who is comfortable navigating complex challenges in a private university setting and has the collaborative talents necessary to bring together many constituencies. The Provost and the Senior Vice President for Finance and Chief Operating Officer manage the annual university-wide budget process, working closely with the President, other Vice Presidents, Deans, and the leaders of the shared governance organizations representing faculty, staff, and students. The Provost participates in all major decisions affecting the campus and reports directly to the President, as a member of the President's cabinet.

The Deans of the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Law, Business, Music and Media, Nursing and Health, and Online all report directly to the Provost. The Provost also supervises two Vice Provosts, an Associate Provost for Student Success, and Directors from multiple areas including the Center for International Education. The Provost will join Loyola University New Orleans' "Wolf Pack" and play a key role in positioning the university by applying the academic mission, setting a vision that aligns with the University's objectives, inspiring innovation, and leading financial sustainability.

# OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

As the chief academic officer of the university, the Provost will be expected to establish a collaborative leadership style and demonstrate creative approaches to the below outlined opportunities and challenges. The President and the Vice Presidents expect to work closely and in partnership with the Provost to enhance Loyola's academic distinction and competitive advantages.

The Provost will be expected to address these critical opportunities and challenges to move the university forward:

- The next Provost will **shape and execute a strategic academic vision** that not only aligns with Loyola's mission and strategic plan but also positions the institution to thrive in a rapidly evolving higher education landscape that involves changes in technology, student expectations, and external pressures. This vision must be forward-thinking, adaptable, and grounded in the core values that define Loyola's identity, while also being responsive to emerging trends and challenges in higher education including demographic changes and a nationwide decline in enrollment numbers. Loyola's mission, rooted in Jesuit principles, emphasizes academic excellence, the formation of the whole person, and a commitment to social justice. The Provost must ensure that the academic vision is deeply intertwined with these values, fostering an environment where intellectual rigor is coupled with ethical reflection and a commitment to service.
- In close collaboration with the Deans and faculty, the next Provost is expected **to ensure the ongoing development of a robust, contemporary, academic portfolio** and explore ways to build innovative programs across disciplines that will drive enrollment, diversify revenue sources, and align with the mission including expanding study abroad and enrolling diverse populations of international students. The growing availability of student data and learning analytics presents an opportunity to personalize education, improve retention rates, and inform strategic planning through data-informed decision making. By empowering Deans and faculty to explore new academic prospects, the Provost will help drive a culture of innovation that enriches the educational experience and positions Loyola at the forefront of academic excellence while also ensuring that the pursuit of new opportunities and programs does not compromise the institution's academic rigor or reputation.
- By working collaboratively with faculty to clarify and codify academic policies, the Provost **will enhance transparency and strengthen the shared governance framework**, thereby aligning academic decisions closely with Loyola's core values and strategic objectives. The Provost will need to actively engage with faculty, staff, and students, fostering a culture of trust, open dialogue, and transparency in decision-making. This includes maintaining regular and meaningful communication with the Faculty and Staff Senates, as well as the Student Government Association, ensuring that their voices are heard in the institution's planning processes.
- **Sustaining an environment of professional development and supporting faculty** in partnership building and as teacher-scholars will be another undertaking for the next Provost. In supporting research, the Provost will promote interdisciplinary collaboration and work with sponsored research, the colleges, and departments to recruit and support research-active faculty. The Provost will also promote Loyola's high-impact pedagogies and encourage research at the undergraduate and graduate level.
- The next Provost will play a crucial role in **upholding and advancing the institution's dedication to Ignatian principles that foster equality and justice in how opportunities are provided on our campus**. Championing initiatives that promote equity in academic and administrative practices will be necessary. This will include ensuring that hiring, salary, and promotion processes are free from bias and reflective of the institution's broader community.

# PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Loyola University New Orleans seeks a dynamic leader to champion and enhance its academic mission as the institution continues to shape its strategic direction. Candidates should demonstrate a history of change management, the ability to build and cultivate excellence in teaching and scholarship, and a record of accomplishment in crafting and supporting a climate of community collaboration, collegiality, shared governance, service, equity, and inclusion.

The next Provost will have a distinguished record of academic leadership as well as scholarship and research and a demonstrated passion for excellence in education. The successful candidate must also possess a deep, broad-based intellect to appreciate the diversity of academic programs at Loyola.

## REQUIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Substantial academic leadership is necessary including five or more years of responsible experience in administration of academic programs in higher education such as leadership as a dean, vice/associate provost, or provost.
- An earned doctorate or terminal degree, or equivalent.

## DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

While recognizing that no single candidate will have all the ideal qualifications, the next Provost will have most, if not all, of the following qualifications:

- A deep understanding of the goals and values of a Jesuit education and how it intersects with professional preparation for the future;
- A clear and deep knowledge of trends and developments in higher education that will impact private institutions and a strategic perspective on how to respond to them;
- Experience as a transformational administrative leader of an institution or organization of similar scale and complexity, and evidence of recruiting and retaining high-quality faculty and/or staff;
- Experience working with accrediting bodies;
- An astute understanding of university finances and their relationship to academic priorities, with experience in setting and overseeing budgets;
- A track record for developing market-driven programs that consider positioning and messaging within a higher education context;
- A proven commitment to diversity and equity, with demonstrated success in diversity initiatives; enthusiasm for embracing diversity in all aspects of Loyola, including the capacity to recruit, welcome, retain, and build a cohesive, diverse student body, faculty, and staff;
- The capacity to partner with the President to engage a broader community in support of the university; and an enthusiasm for fostering relationships with donors, foundations, and businesses;
- A collaborative and transparent leadership style that nurtures an environment of empowered leadership, service, and shared governance;
- Exceptional relationship-building and communication skills characterized by honesty, transparency, and a genuine desire to listen.

# APPLICATIONS, INQUIRIES, AND NOMINATIONS

Nominations and expressions of interest may be submitted to [provostsearch@loyno.edu](mailto:provostsearch@loyno.edu).

While applications will be accepted until the position is filled, to assure full consideration, **applications should be received by October 28, 2024.**

Application materials should be submitted in confidence and in PDF format to [provostsearch@loyno.edu](mailto:provostsearch@loyno.edu).

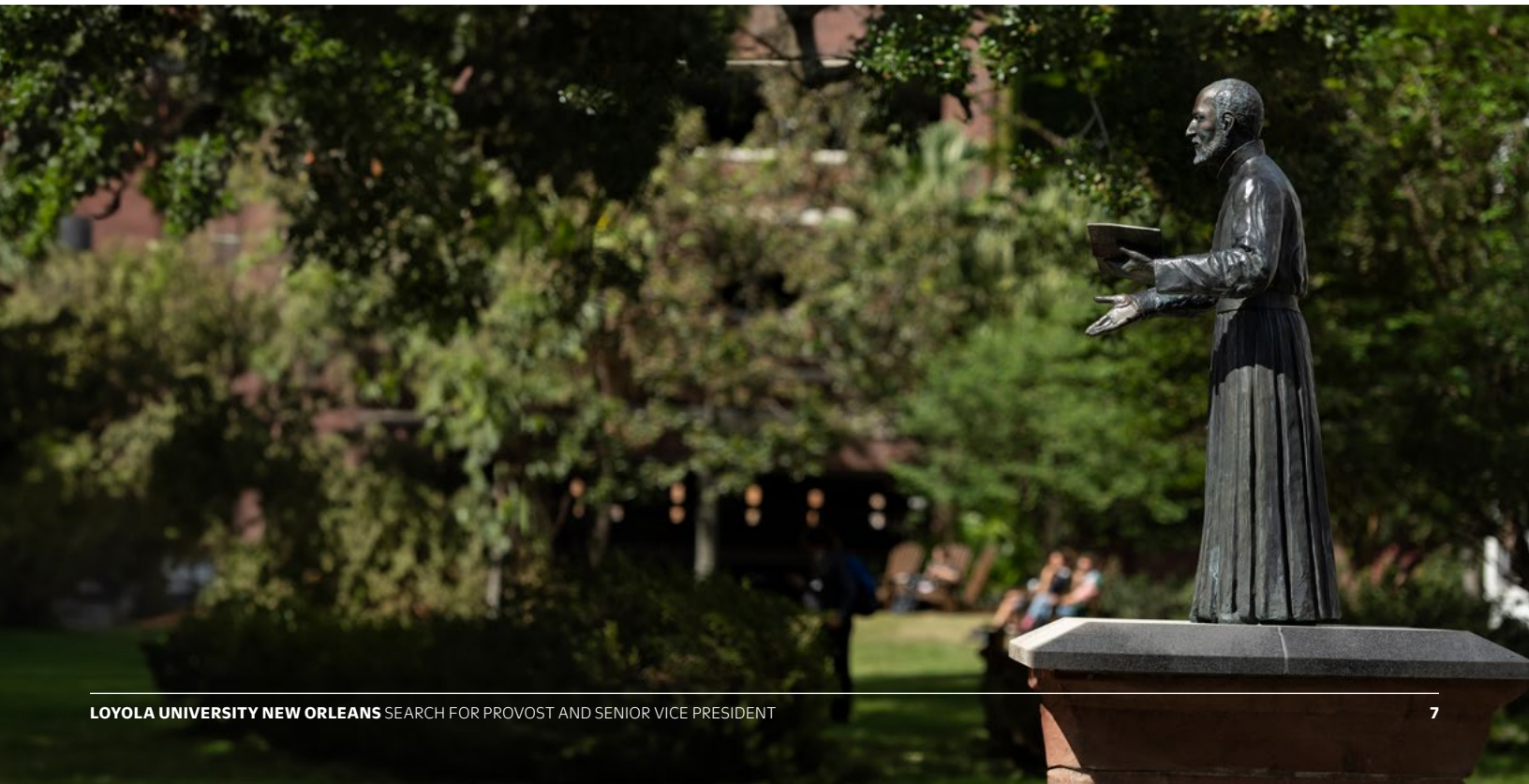
These materials should consist of:

- (1) a letter of interest addressing the opportunities, challenges, and qualifications identified in this profile, and
- (2) a detailed Curriculum Vita

Finalists will be asked to provide:

- A minimum of three (3) professional references, including a current or former supervisor (email and work and cell numbers). References will not be contacted without prior permission from the applicant.
- Copies of official graduate school transcripts.

*Loyola University New Orleans does not unlawfully discriminate on the basis of race, color, gender, sexual orientation, age, religion, disability, veteran's status, or national origin in its educational programs or activities, including employment and admissions. At the same time, Loyola cherishes its right to seek and retain personnel who will make a positive contribution to its religious character, goals, and mission in order to enhance the Jesuit, Catholic tradition.*





## JESUIT EDUCATION

The Jesuit educational network is one of the largest systems in American higher education, with more than 200,000 students currently enrolled in the 27 U.S. Jesuit universities and colleges. Worldwide, Jesuit universities and colleges have graduated more than 1 million students.

Jesuit education is a call to human excellence, to the fullest possible development of all human qualities. This implies a rigor and academic excellence that challenges the student to develop all of his or her talents to the fullest. It is a call to critical thinking and disciplined studies, a call to develop the whole person, head and heart, intellect and feelings.

The Jesuit vision of education implies further that students learn how to be critical, examine attitudes, challenge assumptions, and analyze motives. All of this is important if they are to be able to make decisions in freedom, the freedom that allows one to make love-filled and faith-filled decisions.

Loyola University New Orleans, a Jesuit and Catholic institution of higher education, welcomes students of diverse backgrounds and prepares them to lead meaningful lives with and for others; to pursue truth, wisdom, and virtue; and to work for a more just world. Inspired by Ignatius of Loyola's vision of finding God in all things, the university is grounded in the liberal arts and sciences while also offering opportunities for professional studies in undergraduate and selected graduate programs. Through teaching, research, creative activities, and service, the faculty, in cooperation with the staff, strives to educate the whole student and to benefit the larger community.

The Jesuit ideals below are enshrined in front of the J. Edgar and Louise S. Monroe Library, as a joint gift from the classes of 2002 and 2003, to serve as a reminder to all who are members of the Loyola community.

- Pursuit of Excellence
- Respect for the World, Its History And Mystery
- Learning from Experience
- Contemplative Vision Formed by Hope
- Development of Personal Potential
- Critical Thinking and Effective Communication
- Appreciation of Things Both Great And Small
- Commitment to Service
- Special Concern for the Poor And Oppressed
- Linking Faith with Justice
- International and Global Perspective
- Discerning Mindset: Finding God in All Things

## HISTORY OF LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS

The university was chartered by the state of Louisiana in 1912, succeeding Loyola College, which was founded by the Jesuits in 1904. The institution grew rapidly under the direction of the first president, Father Albert Biever, and with the advice and financial support of New Orleans citizens, would continue to grow and evolve over the next 50 years, forming new degree programs, incorporating with existing institutions such as the New Orleans College of Pharmacy and New Orleans Conservatory of Music and Dramatic Art, and developing robust evening courses that served the educational needs of working adults. The period from 1960 to 1990 was characterized by physical expansion, with the acquisition of the 4.2-acre Broadway campus (located a few blocks from Loyola's main campus) in 1984. Several major renovations and capital projects have broadened the university's physical footprint since then. In 2024, The Chapel of St. Ignatius Loyola and the Gayle and Tom Benson Jesuit Center became an important addition to the spiritual life of our campus and the City of New Orleans.

## ABOUT LOYOLA UNIVERSITY NEW ORLEANS COLLEGES AND LIBRARIES

### **COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES**

The College of Arts & Sciences serves as the anchor for all undergraduate study at Loyola and offers undergraduate students the opportunity to earn bachelor of arts or bachelor of science degrees that span the humanities, natural sciences, and social sciences, preparing graduates for careers in a variety of fields. Psychology is the largest major at the university and a significant portion of undergraduates are interested in pursuing medical and other health professions after graduation. In Loyola's recently renovated Monroe Hall, students perform undergraduate scientific research working side-by-side with professional researchers in state-of-the-art laboratories exploring topics from limb regeneration and biodiversity among spider species.

The college also offers online programs in criminology and justice and in psychology, as well as graduate programs in criminology and justice in addition to Education, and administers the majority of the Loyola Core, the Jesuit infused general education curriculum. The college provides all students with a foundation in knowledge and empathy through teaching, scholarship, collaborative research, and service to the community within and across the liberal arts and sciences. The college prepares students to lead meaningful lives with and for others; to appreciate and contribute to global cultures; to utilize empirical data; to think critically and make evidence-based decisions for the common good; and to maintain a commitment to the Jesuit tradition of a life of justice, service, and intellectual engagement. As the heart of the liberal arts at the university, the College of Arts and Sciences leads Loyola in its quest to stand out among the best universities for integrating scholarship, teaching, and transformative educational experiences.

The college is also home to the Jesuit Social Research Institute which has launched criminal legal research and community engagement opportunities, including a prison education program at a local correctional facility.

**FATHER JOSEPH A. BUTT, S.J., COLLEGE OF BUSINESS**

Faculty in the Father Joseph A. Butt, S.J., College of Business are devoted to shaping ethical, empowered leaders who invite trust, build community, and value their professional responsibility and to administer undergraduate and graduate degree programs that help students understand and compete in today's global marketplace. Students take part in a unique set of learning opportunities that use the city to create the many rich learning and mentoring experiences that enhance the program. First-year students in the College of Business participate in the Executive Mentor Program, and upperclassmen complete a semester-long comprehensive internship. Eighty-six percent of graduates are employed in meaningful work within six months of graduation.

Loyola's nationally ranked and AACSB accredited College of Business features an executive portfolio program and provides experiential internships with local and national companies. Considered one of the nation's "Best Business Schools" by The Princeton Review, the college has forged a partnership with the National Security Agency (NSA) and launched the Center for Entrepreneurship and Community Development, a hub for entrepreneurial activity across campus and a vital link to the New Orleans entrepreneurial community. Loyola is also home to the Center for Ethics and Economic Justice, which promotes ethics and economic justice through producing and resourcing academic scholarship, forming students in virtue and character as prudent stewards of their goods and gifts, and serving the New Orleans community and the Church by developing programs with local partners which contribute to a more just and sustainable integral human ecology. Loyola undergraduates can also achieve further professional development through a "fast-track" traditional MBA and a Global MBA in partnership with Germany's top-ranked Ludwig-Maximilians-University, and the extremely coveted Diplôme Grand École from SKEMA, one of the most prestigious French Business Schools. The college also offers a BBA and MBA and a Masters in Marketing and Communication program (in collaboration with the College of Music and Media) in online modalities.

**COLLEGE OF NURSING AND HEALTH**

Formerly the College of Graduate and Professional Studies, the College of Nursing and Health was established in 2015-2016 and offers advanced study, dual-degree, and certificate programs across a wide array of disciplines in nursing, ministry, and counseling. The College houses the School of Nursing, the Department of Counseling, and the Loyola Institute for Ministry (LIM).

The School of Nursing housed within the college has seen significant growth in the last few years, offering bachelor's, master's, post-master's certificates, and doctorate programs. Loyola recently initiated a traditional Bachelor of Science in Nursing program in partnership with Ochsner Health System, launched an intensive 17-month Accelerated Bachelor of Science in Nursing, and launched graduate programs in Nurse-midwifery, Adult Gerontology Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, and Nurse Anesthesia. The Department of Counseling offers Master's degrees in Clinical Mental Health Counseling and Marriage, Couple, and Family Counseling as well as Play Therapy. A recent hallmark of the program includes the Loyola Center for Counseling and Education (LCCE) which is committed to sustainably providing effective clinical mental health counseling on a sliding scale to underserved families, couples, groups, and individuals at every stage of life. The Loyola Institute for Ministry (LIM), offers undergraduate and graduate degrees, continuing education certificates, and advanced-level certificates in religious education and pastoral studies designed to suit students' wide array of interests and ambitions.

**COLLEGE OF LAW**

Loyola's College of Law is well-known for its commitment to building practice-ready lawyers, with 93% percent of the college's graduates securing employment within ten months after graduation and every graduate completing a minimum of 13% of their coursework in experiential courses, which includes simulation courses and live-client clinics. Students have the option to participate in three law degree programs, as well as seven joint degree programs and nine certificates in specialized fields, with the option to partake in full-time or part-time night and day programs. The college also offers master's degree programs in Environmental Law and in Health Law and Administration, offering students the opportunity to expand their knowledge in these ever-evolving fields. The college has one of the oldest clinical programs in the country. Through the clinic, Loyola law students have the opportunity to spend a significant part of their third year representing real clients under the supervision of experienced faculty. The law school's experiential offerings include the Environmental Law & Policy Lab, the Entrepreneurship Project, and the Human Rights Advocacy Project, through which students develop their drafting and advocacy skills while serving the community. The college's curriculum is supplemented by an extensive externship program, which allows students to spend a semester working with local employers in their areas of professional interest. With both civil and common law curricula, Loyola law students are prepared for practice locally, nationally, and globally.

The college boasts a cadre of accomplished alumni around the country, including federal judges, federal and state prosecutors, state and local politicians, law firm partners, corporate attorneys, and executives. The college is nationally recognized for the quality of its programs and legal training, frequently achieving the highest bar passage rate amongst Louisiana law schools.

**COLLEGE OF MUSIC AND MEDIA**

Loyola's College of Music and Media serves as the preeminent center of performing and visual arts study among all Jesuit colleges and universities throughout the United States and recognizes the historical role of music and the arts in the Roman Catholic Church. The college offers baccalaureate and master's degrees that prepare students for professions in a variety of fields, including music performance, music industry, music therapy, music education, visual arts, theatre arts, dance, and design.

Located within the college, Loyola's School of Music and Theatre Professions is a conservatory in which professional musicians are trained in a rich academic environment and where students can roam the halls and learn from Grammy Award winners and internationally renowned musicians. The school prepares aspiring musicians, producers, performers and executives for success in the entertainment industry – in the classroom, in the studio and in the boardroom – and for the second time running, the college has been named among Billboard magazine's Top Music Business schools. Growing out of experimental radio station operated by the physics department before World War I and the home of "The Maroon," Loyola's award-winning student newspaper, the School of Communication and Design educates students to have a critical understanding and comprehensive body of knowledge of the techniques, theories, and social consequences of our complex national and global communications system.

The college leverages the resources of its world-class location in the cultural hub of New Orleans and enjoys special relationships with cultural organizations such as the Louisiana Philharmonic Orchestra, Southern Rep Theatre, the Jefferson Performing Arts Society, and the New Orleans Opera. A wide variety of graduating seniors are accepted to prestigious

graduate programs, and successful alumni include performers at the Metropolitan Opera and Covent Garden, as well as with major orchestras, ballet, and theatre companies across the country and in Europe.

### **J. EDGAR & LOUISE S. MONROE LIBRARY**

The J. Edgar & Louise S. Monroe Library is a vibrant and active learning space in the heart of Loyola's campus, providing a variety of study spaces and classrooms, in addition to online journals, databases, books, scores, recordings, DVDs, and digital collections that support all of the university's programs. The Monroe Library is a meeting place on campus for students to learn, collaborate, and study, with access to the technology and study rooms that they need to succeed academically. Library faculty and staff facilitate use of such space and resources, as well as those services provided by Special Collections & Archives. Library faculty assigned to each course of study provide instruction, research consultations, outreach, and collection development. As a dynamic space, an information and technology resource, and an academic unit, Monroe Library is a central and multifaceted component of the university's scholarly culture.

Housed within the Monroe Library is the Pan-American Life Student Success Center (SSC), a welcoming, inclusive environment where students master the skills they need to be lifelong learners, develop meaningful relationships, and excel beyond their time at Loyola. The services offered by the SSC include, academic advising and success coaching, accessibility services, career development, tutoring, writing across the curriculum, and other academic support services.

### **ONLINE AND CITY COLLEGE**

Evening courses were first offered at Loyola University New Orleans in 1917 as part of the School of Commerce and Finance. By 1949, the demand for such courses prompted the university to establish an Evening Division. Then, in 1970, the Evening Division was chartered as City College, which became a well-known brand, providing a Jesuit education at an affordable price to post-traditional students. Today, City College is the online arm of Loyola University New Orleans, serving the needs of the adult learners in our community and beyond.

Through collaborations with other colleges at the university, City College offers a variety of fully online degree completion programs, stackable graduate certificates, and full graduate degrees. These programs are entirely asynchronous and are in applied or professional fields. They are primarily intended for post-traditional students enrolled part-time, so they can finish what they started, enhance their careers, and change the world. City College also offers an ever expanding Professional and Continuing Education portfolio at Loyola, which offers an array of short and long-term certificates and programs.

## FACULTY AND SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES

With over 230 full-time teaching faculty, Loyola has a student-to-faculty ratio of 14.6 to 1 and an average lecture class size of 21. The university's faculty members are teacher-scholars and bring a wealth of real-world experience in their fields. Terminal degrees are held by approximately 90 percent of the full-time faculty, and the university enjoys numerous endowed chairs and professorships in fields ranging from environmental biology to music industry studies. Faculty embrace the concept of *cura personalis*, or "care for the whole person," offering personalized advising and mentoring for the whole student.

Loyola faculty have received numerous prestigious national awards including Pulitzer Prize nominations, book reviews in the *New York Times*, the O. Henry Award, and international scientific recognition. Esteemed faculty have also been given grants from NEA, NEH, NIH, Fulbright, NIST, NSF, Louisiana Endowment for the Humanities, Louisiana Endowment for the Arts, NASA and Louisiana Board of Regents.

## CENTERS AND INSTITUTES

Loyola is home to centers and institutes that collaborate with and complement Loyola's academic programs. From centers for environmental and nonprofit communications to the Gayle and Tom Benson Jesuit Center, these organizations give students hands-on learning opportunities, allow faculty unique research opportunities, and provide needed services to citizens of the New Orleans community:

- Canizaro Center for Catholic Studies
- Center for Editing and Publishing
- Center for Entrepreneurship and Community Development
- Center for Environmental Communication
- Center for Environmental Law
- Center for Ethics and Economic Justice
- Center for International Business
- Center for International and Comparative Programs
- Center for International Education
- Center for Play Therapy Education
- Center for Teaching, Research, and Learning
- Gillis Long Poverty Law Center
- Institute of Environmental Communications
- Institute of Politics
- Institute for Continuing Legal Education
- Gayle and Tom Benson Jesuit Center
- Jesuit Social Research Institute
- Shawn M. Donnelley Center for Nonprofit Communications
- Stuart H. Smith Law Clinic and Center for Social Justice
- Upward Bound
- Women's Resource Center

Detailed information about Loyola's centers and institutes can be found at <https://www.loyno.edu/academics/centers-institutes>.

## STUDENT LIFE

Loyola is home to more than 130 student organizations, providing opportunities for engagement with a variety of issues, topics, and initiatives. The Loyola community takes great pride in the wealth of opportunities for students to participate in programs centered around leadership development and social justice, both in service to the city of New Orleans and the world at large. One program of note is the Ignacio Volunteer program, which provides international and domestic service immersion opportunities for undergraduate students. Another is the over 40-year-old Loyola University Community Action Program (LUCAP), one of the nation's oldest student-run volunteer programs.

Loyola is a residential institution with five – residence halls and access to university-owned apartments. A sixth residence hall is under construction and will be ready to house students in the fall of 2025. Eighty percent of freshmen live on campus, and the residential life program provides a safe, comfortable living environment while offering services designed to facilitate the learning, growth, and personal development of each student. Loyola integrates local traditions into many aspects of campus life, including a second line after commencement. Campus fun also includes festivals, concerts, and special events such as “Sneaux,” a winter celebration that blankets Loyola’s lawn for community fun.

With 195 students from 54 different countries, 14% of students graduating with an experience abroad, and academic courses with a global perspective, Loyola University New Orleans is truly an international institution.

## CAMPUS AND LOCATION

Loyola’s 22-acre main campus is located in the heart of Uptown New Orleans, a neighborhood known for the iconic St. Charles Avenue streetcar, graceful Southern mansions, and century-old oak trees. Historic Audubon Park, located across from the Loyola campus, provides another 300 acres of green space as well as the Audubon Zoo and many amenities, including riding stables, tennis courts, a golf course and clubhouse, jogging trails, lagoons, baseball fields, and soccer fields for the Loyola community to enjoy. The famous French Quarter is a breezy streetcar ride away. On campus, there are palm trees and an average of 216 days of sunshine, making New Orleans a paradise city. With 22 James Beard Award-winning chefs and more than 1,400 restaurants, dining out in New Orleans is truly an experience like no other. And, with more than 130 festivals a year, there is always something new and different to experience in the city.

## GOVERNANCE

As a private Jesuit, Catholic university, Loyola is governed by a highly engaged, 27-member Board of Trustees. The board is responsible for establishing the general, educational, and financial policies and procedures that govern the university's operations.

Loyola trustees, administrators, faculty, staff, students, and alumni are actively engaged in both university governance and planning. The university's shared governance model and participatory mindset gave rise to the formation of the University Senate in 1968, consisting of faculty representatives from all departments, colleges, and schools. The University Senate is an advisory body whose function is to advise the university on matters that the senate deems appropriate concerning the whole university, such as policy recommendations on curriculum, methods of instruction, research, and faculty development. The Staff Senate represents staff concerns, and the Student Government Association provides the student body with official representation to the university community.

## ALUMNI

The university has an active alumni program with 19 active chapters around the country and more than 40,000 living alumni, many of whom remain in the Greater New Orleans region. Many alumni give back to the Loyola community through giving opportunities, leadership in the Alumni Association, student recruitment, and by hosting student experiential learning opportunities.



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