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SU Honors Student Named Ebony STEM Queen

Raelyn Henderson, an Honors College scholar and senior mechanical engineering major was selected as one of 10 HBCU STEM Queens highlighted in the February 2022 issue of Ebony Magazine.

HBCU Battle of the Brains

Henderson also joined fellow Honors College Scholars Frankie Dorsey, a sophomore computer science major, and Nicolas Hardin, also a sophomore computer science major for the HBCU Battle of the Brains Competition March 9-13, 2022 as a part of the Annual South by Southwest (SXSW) Conference and Festival in Austin, Texas. The team placed seventh out of 30 teams who participated in the competition.





- The Southern University Quiz Bowl Team won first place in Round Two in the Red Division and third overall in the Honda Campus All-Star Challenge National Quiz Bowl. The competition, which was held virtually on March 13, 2022 included Honors College Scholars Akajiugo Amucheaz, a sophomore biology major; Carrington Curry, a junior civil engineering major; Noland Johnson, a junior english major; and Karriem Upshaw, a senior mathematics and physics major.
- Honors College Scholars Dailynn Thomas, a senior electrical engineering major, and Dondy Dorlus, also a senior electrical engineering major, competed among several teams representing 35 colleges in the Lockheed Martin Virtual Ethics in Engineering Case Competition on February 21, 2022 for preliminary rounds and February 28-March 1, 2022 for the semi-finals and final rounds.
- The Engineering Program has issued Student Achievement Awards to the most elite students in the 2021-2022 class of graduating seniors. The following Honors College scholars received student awards during the 2022 E-Week Awards Ceremony on February 24, 2022: Mechanical Engineering; Outstanding Student, Calvin Adams, Student Achievement, Blair Blackledge; Electrical Engineering, Oustanding Students, Dondy Dorlus and Dailyn Thomas.

Academic Affairs

• The SUBR Office of Academic Affairs, led by Dr. Bijoy Sahoo, Exeutive Vice Chancellor and Provost, participated in a volunteer community service event at the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank on March 12, 2022. The Food Bank is a nonprofit organization that distributes food to a variety of community agencies including pantries, meal sites, homes, shelters and soup kitchens. Team Academic Affairs helped construct more than 600 boxes that the Food Bank will use to package and distribute food throughout the metro Baton Rouge community.



University College

• The University College Office of Student Success currently offers tutoring services for students with 17 tutors and five supplemental instructors providing assistance. The tutorial sessions are provided in collaboration with the University Writing Center – College of Humanities and Interdisciplinary Studies.



College of Humanities and Interdisciplinary Studies

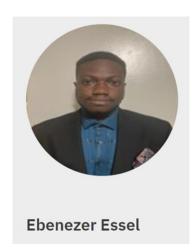
- Art renderings by *Professor Randall Henry*, were featured in the Healing History Art Show Reception located at the Shell Gallery of the Cary Saurage Community Arts Center on January 17, 2022 February 24, 2022.
- The Department of History hosted two Zoom lectures as part of the Black History Lecture Series on February 22 and February 24, 2022 and throughout the month of March for Women's History Month. **Dr. Fred-Alan Williams** and **Dr. Christy Garrison-Harrison**, both assistant professors and exceptional scholars served as the speakers for the series.
- Southern University and Department of Mass Communication alumnus, **Tommy Harris Jr**, provided game camera coverage on the 50 yard line during Super Bowl LVI at SoFi Stadium in Los Angeles.

IBM Masters Fellowship Scholars

• Southern University graduate students Sunita Sagi, Saisudha Naragoni and Ebenezer Essel were selected as 2021-2022 Southern University IBM Masters Fellowship Awardees. The IBM Masters Fellowship Program seeks to support exceptional Masters students who want to make their mark in promising and disruptive technologies, regardless of their field of study. The 2021-2022 award recipients include those who are studying computer science, medical research, law, social sciences, physics, engineering and math at Historically Black Colleges and Universities. A total of 16 fellowships were awarded at \$12,500 each.







College of Business

- **Dr. Nathaniel Boso,** Dean of the Knust School of Business, Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology, Ghana served as the speaker for the SUBR College of Business MBA Global Leadership Speaker Series on March 23, 2022. His visit to the university was possible due to receiving a Business and International Education (BIE) Grant from the U.S.Business Department of Education. Boso began his tenure as the School of Business Dean at KNUST in 2017. He is also currently a visiting professor to Strathmore University (Kenya), the University of Kigali (Rwanda) and the University of Pretoria (South Africa). Prior to joining KNUST he was an associate professor of marketing at the University of Leeds in the United Kingdom and a visiting research scholar to the University of Sydney (Australia). His research focuses on the interface between entrepreneurship, innovation and the global supply chain stragegy. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration in 2002 from the University of Ghana, a master's degree in marketing in 2004 from the University of Sweden and a doctorate in international entrepreneurship and marketing in 2011from Loughborough University in the United Kingdom.
- HBCU advocate and award-winning NBA player Chris Paul presented a Business of Sports and Entertainment Intro Class on March 25, 2022. The class, which was taught by Anita Elberse a Harvard professor, utilizes discussions, case studies, and projects to examine best practices and winning strategies in the worlds of film, television, publishing, music, and sports. The course requires students to use their business analytical skills and decision-making ability to apply theoretical business knowledge to real-world scenarios. The presentation by Paul and Elberse was very well received by participants as measured by a survey of student experience.

SU Founder's Day

• LaQuitta Thomas, National President of the Southern University Alumni Federation served as the speaker for the Founders' Day Convocation on March 23,2022. The highly anticipated event, which took place in the F.G. Clark Activity Center also featured performances by the Southern University Wind Ensemble and Gospel Choir.



The School of Nursing

• The Southern University School of Nursing was recently ranked as a Top 15 HBCU Nursing School for 2022 by Top RN to BSN. Editors of the independent online guide ranked accredited HBCU Nursing Schools based on tuition cost, graduate salary, and reputation. Editors used data from IPEDS, College Scoreboard, and Niche to generate the ranking. On March 25 the School of Nursing unveiled a new Jag Mobile, a state-of-the-art custom mobile health unit that will provide services to medically underserved communities within a 50-mile radius of the Baton Rouge campus. Oschner Health System partnered with the nursing school for the 38-foot-long unit.

