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SUBR Recruits International Students

During the month of February, **Dr. Bijoy K. Sahoo, SUBR Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost** spent a couple of weeks speaking with several potential SU Jaguars during a visit to India. During the visit Sahoo served as a speaker and Southern University recruiter at several institutions throughout the country. While meeting with students Sahoo elaborated on the opportunities available to international students at SU to include both undergraduate and graduate level degrees. In recent years previous recruiting trips to India by Dr. Sahoo have resulted in many students enrolling at Southern University, and ultimately earning college degrees leading to positive life changing experiences and additional funding to the Southern University System at large.



On Campus...

College of Nursing and Allied Health

The Southern University School of Nursing was recently ranked by Nursing Degree Search, an independent online resource for students seeking nursing schools and programs as one of the top 10 Best Value Nursing Bachelor's Degree Schools in Louisiana for 2023. Established in 1986 and recognized as one of the best nursing programs in the country the school currently offers four degrees, the Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN); the Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) with a specialty in family health; the Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in nursing and the Doctor of Nursing Practice.

Cade Library



Cade Library in partnership with the **National AIDS Memorial, Southern AIDS Coalition and Gilead Sciences** participated in a **Change the Pattern Initiative** to raise awareness of HIV/AIDS and its continued impact on communities of color and marginalized populations in Louisiana and the South. The awareness was highlighted through immersive quilt displays, educational programming, advocacy and quilt-making. During a press conference event sponsors donated \$5,000 to the library in support of students.

On Campus...

Center for International Affairs and University Outreach



The Southern University Center for International Affairs and University Outreach along with seven universities it has partnered with for nine years recently, came together in a united effort to help the citizens of Turkey who were devastated by the recent 7.8 magnitude earthquake. The group partnered to provide various items such as winter tents, outdoor sleeping bags, and winter blankets to those in need. **Dr. Osman Kandara**, University Liaison to Turkey delivered the first set of items to consulate authorities in Houston, TX for transport to Turkey. Both Dr. Kandara and **Dr. Oswald D' Auvergne**, Faculty Senate President are in Turkey with the donated items and will visit areas devastated by the earthquake. For more information, contact Dean Barbara Carpenter at: barbara_carpenter@subr.edu.



On Campus...

College of Sciences & Engineering

Feb. 7 – Mar. 2, 2023 was recognized as **National Engineering Week**, better known as EWeek on the campus of Southern University. The purpose of EWeek is to call attention to the contributions that engineers have made and are making to society. The theme for 2023's celebration is "Creating the Future." Throughout the week students throughout the campus community were introduced and engaged in engineering, to examine how engineers make a difference in the world and the need for more engineers and other professionals in the STEM fields.



On Campus...

Navy ROTC

On February 11, 2023, **Southern University's Navy ROTC** hosted the regional qualifier for the **National NJROTC Drill Meet**. The meet encompassed schools that fall within the Area 8 region, which includes Louisiana, East Texas, Arkansas, Mississippi, and Northwest Florida. The outdoor portion of the meet was held on Southern University's A.W. Mumford stadium with all indoor components being held in the Seymour Gym.

Each year, the Southern University NROTC hosts the A8 Drill Meet, allowing for universities across the southeast region to tour campus, get exposure to HBCU culture, and integrate with university level ROTC members. This year, the SU NROTC expanded this event to include a campus tour the day prior to the competition, giving high school cadets a chance to eat in the cafeteria, integrate with college students, and experience what it is like to be on a college campus.

Teams competed in events ranging from basic unarmed drill to tug-of-war. Each team completed drill cards, conducting the full battery of drill movements in the United States Marine Corps drill manual. Cadets and teams were graded on accuracy, military bearing, presentation, knowledge of military topics, and physical fitness. Pace High School from Pace, Florida returned to take the crown of the Area 8 competition.



On Campus...

A&M Agenda

On February 28, 2023, **Dr. Bijoy K. Sahoo, Executive Vice Chancellor & Provost at SUBR** was a special guest at the Louisiana State University (LSU) Office of Academic Affairs Leadership Team Meeting, hosted by Dr. Roy Haggerty, Executive Vice President & Provost at LSU. Both Sahoo and Haggerty are key leaders of the A&M Agenda Initiative Partnership of SU and LSU recently finalized by President-Chancellor Dennis Shields and LSU President William Tate, IV. Established this past fall, the partnership seeks to strengthen and enhance collaboration along with community and enhancement and outreach among the two institutions.



On Campus...

SGA Meets with Academic Affairs

On March 2, 2023 members of the **SGA Executive Leadership** Cabinet met with **Dr. Bijoy K. Sahoo** and other members of the **Office of Academic Affairs**. During the sessions the SGA representatives discussed new initiatives aimed at further enhancing the full student experience at SUBR from financial aid awareness to safety protocols for student housing.

