



Chancellor's Report

January 2026



7 Strategic Goals

REIMAGINE SUSLA

Goal 1

Foster a Climate of Academic Excellence

Goal 2

Increase Enrollment

Goal 3

Enhance Customer Service & Stewardship of Place

Goal 4

Adopt a Student-Centered Approach

Goal 5

Attract and Retain Qualified Faculty and Staff

Goal 6

Promote a Culture of Institutional Effectiveness

Goal 7

Improve Infrastructure, Facilities, Finance, and Resources

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CHANCELLOR'S MESSAGE



As we begin a new year, I am grateful for the opportunity to continue serving as Chancellor of Southern University at Shreveport and to advance the priorities outlined in **Reimagine SUSLA 2030**. The progress achieved thus far reflects our shared commitment to accountability, alignment, and student success, and it provides a strong foundation for the work ahead.

This January, we are prioritizing professional development for faculty and staff in direct support of **Goal 1: Foster a Climate of Academic Excellence, Goal 4: Adopt a Student-Centered Approach, and Goal 5: Attract and Retain Qualified and Staff**. Investing in our people strengthens instructional quality, enhances student support, and reinforces the institutional capacity necessary to improve retention and completion outcomes.

I am also pleased to acknowledge a significant investment aligned with **Goal 6: Promote a Culture of Institutional Effectiveness, and Goal 7: Improve Infrastructure, Facilitate, Finance, and Resources**. The Roy Griggs School of Business received a \$20,000 contribution from AT&T to support business education at Southern University at Shreveport. This partnership advances workforce-aligned learning, strengthens academic resources, and supports our efforts to prepare students for successful careers. As we move forward, continued collaboration and innovation will remain essential to advancing **Goal 2: Increase Enrollment and Goals 3: Enhance Customer Service and Stewardship of Place**. By remaining aligned around one vision and one purpose, we will continue strengthening the university's role as a responsive educational and economic partner for our region.

I look forward to a productive January and continued progress toward the goals of **Reimagine SUSLA 2030** in the year ahead.

Warm regards,

Dr. A.J. Gant

Dr. Aubra J. Gant
Chancellor

SUSLA HOSTS ANNUAL FACULTY AND STAFF HOLIDAY SOCIAL

GOAL 6

Southern University at Shreveport hosted its annual Holiday Social for faculty and staff, themed "Gratitude, Growth, and Good Cheer." The event was a delightful gathering filled with great food, fun, and festive games.

Held in the beautifully decorated Allen Building Atrium at SUSLA's Metro Campus, the Holiday Social provided an opportunity for colleagues to connect and celebrate the year's accomplishments. Chancellor Gantt expressed appreciation for the faculty and staff who contribute daily to the institution's success. Stating, "This holiday social has been a wonderful event, bringing our faculty and staff together to celebrate our successes and strengthen our community spirit. I am grateful for everyone who contributed to making this celebration a memorable one and continuing to Reimagine SUSLA."

The event highlighted the university's commitment to fostering a supportive and joyful environment for its faculty and staff, setting a positive tone for the upcoming year.





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AT&T has generously presented a \$20,000 check to Mr. Roy L. Griggs, President & CEO of Roy Griggs School of Business, Inc., benefiting the Roy Griggs School of Business at Southern University at Shreveport! This incredible contribution will directly support the school, enhancing opportunities for our students and fostering educational growth.

A heartfelt thank you to Mr. David Aubrey, President of AT&T Louisiana & Mississippi, and AT&T for their commitment to our community and belief in the power of education. Together, we're building a brighter future and reimagining SUSLA!

44th Annual 40-Hour Prayer Vigil

The SUSLA Family joined the Shreveport Chapter of the Southern University Alumni Association in attending the 44th Annual 40-Hour Prayer Vigil. Southern University and Grambling State University alumni together enjoyed an uplifting worship service at Calvary Missionary Baptist Church. Alumni united in worship, praised God, and prayed over both universities.

The inspirational guest speakers, Grambling Alumnus Steven C. Grant, Sr. - Caddo Public Schools' Supervisor of Child Welfare & Attendance, and Southern Alumna Judge Brittany Bass-Arvie - Shreveport City Court Judge, shared powerful recaps of how their HBCU's shaped their lives. Heartfelt thanks to Pastor Joe R. Gant, Jr. for graciously hosting and delivering both encouraging and insightful closing remarks culminating with a beautiful prayer for unity.

The prayer vigil was a wonderful reminder of the power of faith and community!

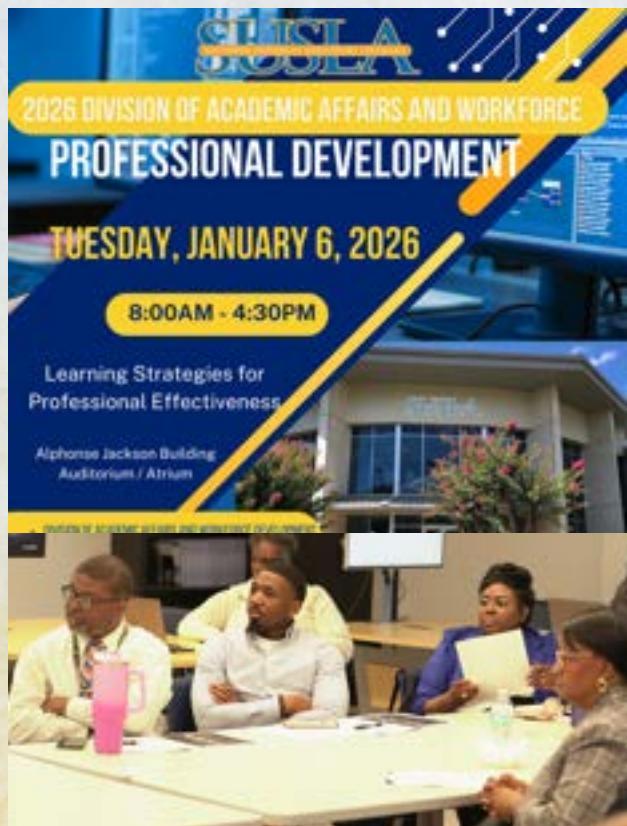


Empowering Our Faculty and Staff at Southern University at Shreveport

Exciting developments are underway at Southern University at Shreveport! Recently, our Divisions of Student Affairs & Enrollment Management and Academic Affairs & Workforce Development came together for a Professional Development training session designed specifically for faculty and staff.

The main objective of the training was to equip participants with the necessary skills and resources for a successful spring semester. Throughout the day, attendees engaged in discussions and activities focused on enhancing professional growth and improving student support.

This gathering emphasized collaboration and the sharing of strategies and tools that foster an enriching environment for our academic community. Together, we are committed to creating a supportive and dynamic atmosphere that benefits both students, faculty, and staff as we Reimagine SUSLA.



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