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## **Xavier University Partnership with California Community Colleges HBCU Transfer Guarantee Program Increases Baccalaureate-level Degree Attainment**

**New Orleans LA** – Xavier University of Louisiana and the California Community Colleges system have entered into a partnership agreement which will make it easier for transfer-ready community college students from the California Community Colleges system to earn a baccalaureate-level degree from over 40 undergraduate academic programs offered by Xavier University of Louisiana.

According to the agreement, students who apply for the admission and successfully obtain a transfer-level associate degree with a grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or higher and complete either the California State University General Education Breadth pattern, or University of California Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum, will be guaranteed admission into Xavier with junior standing.

An alternate option to earn guaranteed admission will require transfer students to earn 30 or more UC (University of California) or CSU (California State University) transferrable units with a GPA of 2.5 or higher.

Some other advantages offered to transfer students according to the pact include priority consideration for housing, pre-admission advising, and consideration for transfer scholarships for students with a GPA of 3.2 or higher. However, for some specific majors, students may need to fulfill additional requirements.

“We are pleased to be able to offer California community college students this special opportunity to continue their education at Xavier, where they will have access to a unique academically enriching and personally rewarding experience,” said Dr. Reynold Verret, President of Xavier University of Louisiana, “We see this as a great opportunity for both California students, who may be unfamiliar with the benefits of attending a HBCU (Historically Black College and University), and for Xavier, as we seek to enroll meritorious students from all across our nation who wish to increase their knowledge and pursue their excellence here at Xavier.”

California Community Colleges is the largest system of higher education in the nation, composed of 72 Districts and 114 colleges serving 2.1 million students per year, of which more than 100,000 students transfer each year to baccalaureate degree granting institutions. The goal of California’s HBCU Transfer Guarantee Program, sponsored by a grant from the California Community Colleges Chancellor’s Office, is to provide additional transfer pathways that will ultimately contribute to an increase in baccalaureate-level degree attainment.

More information about the California HBCU Transfer program can be found at <http://extranet.cccco.edu/HBCUTransfer.aspx>. For more information about Xavier University of Louisiana’s academic programs or to apply, visit [www.xula.edu](http://www.xula.edu).

## About Xavier University of Louisiana

Xavier was recently ranked as the nation's #2 HBCU (Historically Black College and University) by [College Consensus](#), a unique college ratings website that aggregates publisher rankings and student reviews, in its newly released publication, [Best HBCUs for 2018](#). Xavier was also among the four colleges selected by Beyoncé and her [BeyGood Foundation](#) as the recipient of a Homecoming Scholars Scholarship Award announced after her much lauded performance at Coachella, while actor and comedian Kevin Hart has joined forces with UNCF and KIPP (Knowledge Is Power Program) to help 18 more KIPP students earn a college degree – three of whom were Xavier students.

That's just the latest in national accolades Xavier has received as one of the best universities in the country. Most notably, XULA is ranked as the best value among southern regional colleges and universities in the 2018 edition of "Best Colleges" by the *U.S. News Media Group*. Xavier also ranked No.1 in its grouping, heading the list of only 15 schools that qualified for the Southern Region category listed under "Great Schools, Great Prices."

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