

Students back on campus for first day of spring 2021 semester

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Tulane's campuses brimmed with excitement as students began the spring semester. In-person classes began on Tuesday, Jan. 19, on the uptown campus. While Tulane has enhanced efforts to protect the campus community and city residents, the university is also expanding opportunities for students to interact socially, meet new people and enjoy outdoor programs and other COVID-safe activities both on campus and throughout our great city.

Nearly 95 percent of students are back on campus this spring, indicating a strong preference among students for an in-person, on-campus university experience.

Among other changes this semester, improvements have been made to classroom technology such as equipping faculty with headsets and microphones to further enhance socially distanced teaching and learning.



Second-year student Laia Larue from Los Angeles takes a selfie in the Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life between classes. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Students participate in Kevin Watters' Finance Class. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Fourth-year student Grant Little unlocks his bike after his morning class. Little, who is majoring in Business Management and Sociology, is most looking forward to his Approaches to Global Dilemmas class this semester. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Admission Counselor Jacob Budin films student intern Kyla Denwood giving a virtual campus tour on Zoom. The Office of Undergraduate Admission hosts several virtual programs each week. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Sara Herbster (right) carries flowers sent from her mother while Rosalie Kenward (left) brings clothes that she had delivered back to her residence hall. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Classroom Experience Assistants (CEAs) Anna Maija (left) and Ansen Shen (right) check computers in a classroom. CEAs are employed to assist faculty with classroom technology. (Photo by Sally Asher)



Laura Osteen (right), assistant vice president for Campus Life, hands out cookies for a new program, Moments of Joy. Osteen explains, "Moments of Joy are exactly that. Just a pop-up surprise in the day to bring a smile to the whole Tulane community." (Photo by Sally Asher)