

A grand marshal, a Carnival queen and a krewe of skeletons

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Members of the Tulane community are not only Carnival spectators, many are participants in the pageantry of Mardi Gras.

In 2018, several faculty, staff and alumni will reign as Carnival royalty while others participate outside of the spotlight by making throws and designing costumes.

“We believe in immersive, place-based learning experiences so attending parades is a form of research,” said Rebecca Snedeker, executive director of the Center for the Gulf South. “You can learn from the place, the history of the route and surrendering to being part of a community.”

Snedeker served as the royal consort for the Krewe du Vieux, alongside Tulane professor of architecture Richard Campanella, who was selected as the krewe's grand marshal.

View the video above to learn more about Tulanians in Mardi Gras.