Cyclists pass by the entrance to Norman Mayer Hall on the uptown campus. A prominent and respected civic leader in New Orleans, Mayer was an early supporter of the College of Commerce and Business Administration at Tulane. Upon his death in 1937, his wife bequeathed $300,000 for a new building in his honor to house the College of Commerce. Dedicated in 1942, the business school remained there until it moved into Goldring/Woldenberg Hall in 1986. Today, Norman Mayer Memorial Hall is home to the departments of English and Political Science.