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From Crawfest, to Commencement, to Hurricane Ida, 2021 was a year that brought challenges but also some great moments. Here is a look back at the year in photos.



A student wheels luggage through the Arrival Center at the Hyatt Regency Hotel in New Orleans ahead of moving on to campus for the spring 2021 semester. The center safely transitioned students from home to campus by testing for COVID-19 and providing programming to support their return to campus. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)



Inspired by the Krewe of House Floats, Newcomb-Tulane College worked with a group of artists to design "Growing Pains: Rooted in Resilience." The exhibit included an outward installation along with narrative text explaining the historical significance of each image. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)



Members of the Tulane community waited in the rain outside the Tulane Dining Pavilion on the Berger Family Lawn, the site for Crawfest 2021. For COVID-19 safety, only 200 diners were allowed inside at any given time. (Photo by Paula-Burch Celentano)



Students show their excitement at the School of Liberal Arts Commencement ceremony held in Yulman Stadium. Nine individual school ceremonies were held over the course of three days: May 19-21, to celebrate the Class of 2021. (Photo by Cheryl Gerber)



Candidates for Doctor of Medicine help each other with their regalia before the start of the 2021 School of Medicine Commencement ceremony. The ceremony was the last of the university's in-person individual school Commencement ceremonies. (Photo by Rusty Costanza)



New sod is placed on Berger Family Lawn. The quads on the uptown campus were refurbished after the deconstruction of 13 temporary buildings that included classrooms and a Dining Pavilion. The additional structures were erected to provide more spaces for social distancing within classroom environments. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)





















First-year students second-line down McAlister Place after the 2021 President's Convocation for New Students. (Photo by Rusty Costanza)

On the uptown campus, students walk past fallen tree limbs following Hurricane Ida. The storm caused a citywide power outage. Campuses were closed and classes were cancelled through Sept. 12. Online classes resumed on the 13th and continued for two weeks while damages were assessed and repairs were made. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

A work crew gathers broken roof shingles fallen from Hebert Hall. Contract workers from around the country assisted in hurricane remediation efforts. Their efforts helped the university come back to campus two weeks earlier than expected. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

The Green Wave football team enter Benson Field in Yulman Stadium for the first game of the season held on the uptown campus following Hurricane Ida. The hurricane caused Tulane Athletics to relocate team operations to Birmingham, Alabama. (Photo by Rusty Costanza)

A student plays the guitar at the fall Activities Expo on the Berger Family Lawn. The expo allows students to meet and sign up with student organizations to get more

involved in campus life. (Photo by Rusty Costanza)

Students cross Oretha Castle Haley Boulevard to distribute bag lunches to individuals experiencing homelessness in the Central City neighborhood. The group effort was part of Outreach Tulane, the university's largest and longest running student-led day of service. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

A jack-o-lantern is all smiles behind a face mask during a Global Café event where students tested their pumpkin-carving skills in Pedersen Lounge in the Lavin-Bernick Center for University Life. (Photo by Paula Burch-Celentano)

Carolyn Barber-Pierre, assistant vice president for Student Affairs and Intercultural Life, leads a second-line, followed by members of Casa Samba, the dance troupe she founded, to the Center for Intercultural Life. The center, located in Richardson Building, was officially dedicated in Barber-Pierre's honor as part of the Tulane Trailblazers ongoing initiative that celebrates the contributions of people from diverse backgrounds who have made a substantial and lasting impact at Tulane. (Photo by Cheryl Gerber)

Lucy Sartor (left), a double major in digital media production and English and minor in theatre performance, and Kennedy Walker (right), a double major in dance and neuroscience and chemistry minor, react to being crowned Homecoming Royalty at halftime of the homecoming football game. (Photo by Rusty Costanza)

A student studies ahead of final exams of the 2021 fall semester. The last day of classes is Dec. 21. The first day of classes for the spring 2022 semester is Tuesday, Jan. 18. (Photo by Rusty Costanza)