

Tulane's urban landscape takes center stage

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This infographic, also featured in the June 2015 issue of *Tulane* magazine, showcases several little-known facts about the beautiful trees that shade the university's campus. Click the image to open a PDF. (Graphic by Tracey Bellina-Milazzo)

In That Number Urban Landscape



263

The uptown campus is home to **263 live oaks**, one of the most widely recognized species of tree in southern Louisiana. The branches of a mature live oak may grow twice as long as its trunk, growing laterally to reach the ground.

TREES A CROWD With trees an essential component of the urban landscape of Tulane, the Tree Advisory Committee is at the helm to ensure the well-being of campus arboriculture. Armed with a Tree Policy, Procedure and Plan outlining guidelines for construction procedures, maintenance and educational use, the group monitors and tracks the health of every tree on campus. In recognition of the university's efforts protecting its trees, Tulane has been named a Tree Campus USA by the Arbor Day Foundation annually since 2009.



106

In 1909, Newcomb College students ceremoniously planted several acorns taken from oak trees on the Washington Avenue campus. The seeds planted at the site of the new Broadway campus **106 years ago** are known as the Newcomb Oaks.



185

In the years following Hurricane Katrina from 2005-09, **185 new trees** were planted on the uptown campus. These trees include crape myrtle, sweet bay magnolia, Chinese pistache and maple, among others.



49

There are more than **49 different species of trees** growing on the uptown campus.

111

There are **111 bald cypress trees** on the uptown campus. According to the National Wildlife Federation, the name "bald" cypress comes from the fact that these trees lose their leaves very early in the fall season.



220

It's no wonder there are **220 crape myrtles** on the uptown campus: It is the quintessential "Southern" tree. It blooms beautiful flowers in warm months and its fall change-of-color is also brilliant.

1,065

A 2013 survey recorded **1,065 trees** growing on the uptown campus. More trees are planted every year.