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Regents Launches New Web Portal for Institutional Data *Releases Current Higher Education Fact Book*

Baton Rouge, LA - The Louisiana Board of Regents has launched a new online web portal to provide stakeholders with instant access to the latest data for Louisiana's public colleges and universities. The Institutional Characteristics Web Portal was created as a part of the current data dashboard feature on the Board of Regents website and provides access to higher education data including student demographics, awards, persistence and graduation rates, and more.

"We often receive higher education data inquiries from the campus community and stakeholders," said Commissioner Purcell. "Visitors to the Institutional Characteristics Web Portal can now instantly access the most up-to-date data, which has been analyzed and summarized for every public higher education institution in our state."

Regents has also released the Louisiana Higher Education Fact Book, which provides a more comprehensive year-by-year analysis of enrollment profiles, demographics, awards, and performance data at Louisiana public higher education institutions. The Fact Book is produced annually and updated periodically as new data become available.

"We believe that both tools will be extremely beneficial to evaluate and enhance campus performance objectives, learning outcomes, and other strategic institutional goals," said Purcell. "It may also serve as the foundation for policy discussions to improve the state of higher education in Louisiana."

To access the Institutional Characteristics or the Louisiana Higher Education Fact Book visit:

<http://regents.louisiana.gov/data-dashboard/institutional-characteristics/>.

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