# LSU Postscript

From the desk of LSU President F. King Alexander











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## Life Under Antarctic Ice

LSU researchers won a grant <u>from NASA</u> to develop a an ice-penetrating robot vehicle called a cryobot.



## **Capitol Coverage**

LSU's Manship School opened a <u>statehouse</u> <u>news bureau</u>. Students are honing their skills by reporting on the state's hottest topics.



#### Celebration of Excellence

University College presented its annual "Celebration of Excellence" Spring Awards to 65 students.



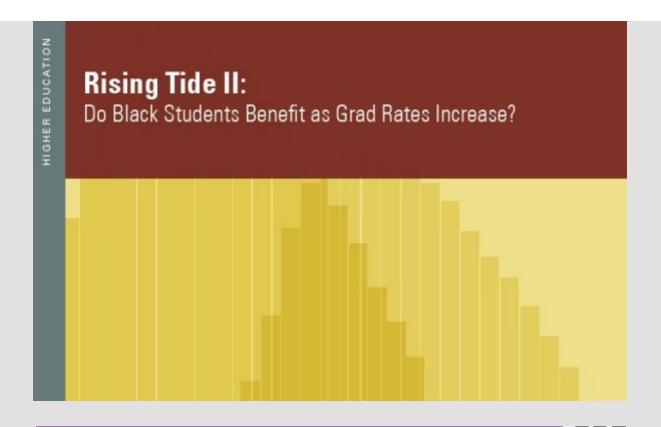
Transfer Honor Roll

LSU was recognized one the inaugural Excellence in Community College <u>Transfer Honor Roll</u> for creating dynamic community college transfer pathways.

# Raising Graduation Rates among Black Students

<u>EducationTrust's newest paper</u> finds that LSU is one of only 53 universities in the nation recognized for its work in improving graduation rates for black students.

- LSU increased graduation rates among African-American students by 9.5 percent
- Narrowed the completion gap between white and black students by 2.3 percent
- LSU has the highest African American graduation rate in the state.
- LSU is also among 14 public flagships included in the study.



## Did You Know?

<u>LSU Boyd Professor Isiah Warner</u> has been selected by the Southeastern Conference as a 2016 SEC Faculty Achievement Award winner. Warner is now eligible for the SEC Professor of the Year.

LSU's master's degree in ceramics is ranked seventh overall and fifth among public universities in <u>U.S. News & World Report's 2017 Best Graduate Schools rankings</u>. LSU Law and Flores MBA also rose in the rankings.

For the fourth year in a row, LSU has been honored with <u>Tree Campus USA recognition</u> by the Arbor Day Foundation for its commitment to effective urban forest management.

## In the News

Obama Administration Names Key Higher Ed Official (Inside Higher Ed)

What Obama's Visit to Cuba Means for Cubans of African Descent (Huffington Post)

Chemists Discover a Natural Adhesive with Biomedical Applications (ChemInfo)

Two Latinas at Forefront of Historic Science Discovery (Hola Arkansas)

Where Are All the Women on Political Talk Shows? (Wisconsin Public Radio)

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