

## Xavier University of Louisiana Names Ingenue' Schexnider-Fields as University Controller

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**New Orleans LA**– <u>Xavier University of Louisiana</u> has appointed Ingenue' Schexnider-Fields as University Controller, a key role in the university's administration, in which she will manage and oversee the budgetary and accounting processes to ensure integrity in Xavier's financial system. A Southern University of New Orleans graduate, Schexnider-Fields has been a member of the Xavier family for more than 18 years.

Ingenue' Schexnider-Fields started her career at Xavier University in 2003 with experience as an accountant and auditor. She has also worked for three prominent local CPA firms. Her auditing experience is centered around audits of Colleges and Universities, Governmental Agencies and non-profit organizations.

"We are elated to have Ingenue' Schexnider-Fields serve as University Controller at Xavier. As someone who has been a part of the Xavier community for more than a decade, she has demonstrated her skills to be a great leader who is passionate about Xavier," said **Vice President of Fiscal Services and CFO at Xavier University, Edward Phillips**. "I know that she will contribute significantly to Xavier's financial goals."

Schexnider-Fields has grown quickly during her time at Xavier, excelling in several key positions including Grant Accountant II, Senior Accountant and Director of Financial Reporting/External Audits.

With more than 25 years of accounting experience, Ingenue' Schexnider-Fields works closely with the CFO to develop the University budget as well as to prepare and disseminate financial information to University Senior Management. In her new role as University Controller, she will now manage accounting and budgetary activity and will be also responsible for ensuring that financial records are accurately recorded and reported.

As a New Orleans native who graduated from Cabrini High School who then went on to pursue a B.S. in Accounting at Southern University in New Orleans, Schexnider-Fields has always identified with Xavier University's mission and Saint Katharine Drexel's vision for a more just and humane society. Schexnider-Fields has continued to thrive in the Xavier community throughout the years and this year, she is eager to take on her new role.

"One of my main goals this year is fiscal transparency, which is critical for effective fiscal management," said **Schexnider-Fields**. "I will continue to host Argos and Banner fiscal report training sessions for both faculty and staff. My goal is to ensure that the University's financial information is accurate and available to management. There is a true sense of family and community all over campus and I am excited to continue work at this institution in a new role, with the same purpose of advancing Xavier University's mission in the promotion of a more just and humane society through education."



Schexnider-Fields will begin her role as University Controller this summer.

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## About Xavier University of Louisiana

Being America's only historically Black and Catholic University is only the first among many distinctions that have set Xavier University of Louisiana apart for more than nine decades. Despite its relatively small size (3,300 students), Xavier is a nationally recognized leader in the STEM and the health sciences, producing more African American students who graduate from medical schools each year than any other university in the United States. Its College of Pharmacy is among the top producers of African American

pharmacists. Its liberal arts-based programs in such areas as art, business, education, psychology, and political science – as well as recent additions in bioinformatics, data science, neuroscience, crime and social justice, and jazz studies – offer students an unbeatable combination of traditional classroom study, hands-on research, service-learning opportunities, and life experiences. The winning Xavier formula provides students with a well-balanced curriculum and an environment that nurtures their intellect and feeds their souls. For more information about Xavier University of Louisiana, visit us online at www.xula.edu or follow us on Facebook, YouTube, or Twitter @XULA1925. To book interviews and/or to speak with our experts in the field of pharmacy, education, premed, public health, science, technology, math, business, English, communications, and the arts, contact Lance Sumler at (504) 520-5240 or Isumler@xula.edu.