



OCHSNER CENTER FOR NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH

at Delgado Community College

OVERVIEW



Ochsner Health and Delgado Community College have partnered to train the next generation of nurses and allied health professionals, forming the Ochsner Center for Nursing and Allied Health at Delgado Community College.

Ochsner has committed \$20 million to expand Delgado's nursing and allied health education, including \$10 million toward a new, state-of-the-art building to be constructed on Delgado's City Park Campus. The remaining \$10 million will be used to cover full-time tuition for Ochsner employees to pursue degrees and credentials in nursing and allied health programs at Delgado. Additionally, two adjunct faculty members from Ochsner will augment the programs beginning in Fall 2021.

The new building will house the Delgado Charity School of Nursing and most of Delgado's existing programs offered by the Division of Allied Health. This will be the first time these programs will be offered under one roof. The grand opening is expected for Spring Semester, 2023.

FEATURES AT-A-GLANCE

State-of-the-art labs and modern classrooms

120,000 total square feet

Simulated hospital to ensure facilitated collaboration

Capacity for 1,500 students, including nearly 900 nursing students

\$38.6 million total budget

Designed by Manning Architects of New Orleans

Consolidates Delgado's Charity School of Nursing and most Allied Health Division programs

First new classroom facility at Delgado City Park Campus since opening of 60,000-sq-ft Thames Hall (library) and 15,000-sq-ft Martin Hall (Building 6) in 2015

NURSING AND ALLIED HEALTH AT DELGADO

Delgado Community College produces 1,200 nursing and allied health professionals each year who remain in New Orleans and the surrounding metropolitan area and enhance the healthcare workforce. Delgado is the largest educator of nurses and allied health professionals in Louisiana.

Charity School of Nursing, established in 1894 and part of Delgado since 1990, currently enrolls 800 students annually in RN and LPN programs. Its building in downtown New Orleans was designed for 500 students. Some students attend classes at Delgado Jefferson in Metairie, others at Delgado Sidney Collier.

Delgado Allied Health graduates approximately 400 students per year. Delgado offers 34 different healthcare certificate and associate degree programs, including non-credit programs. Most of the Allied Health Division is in Building 4 on the City Park Campus. Several programs are housed in Building 1 and at Delgado Charity School of Nursing downtown.

ACT 360 FUNDING

Senate Bill 204 allocated approximately \$33,789,047 for the design and construction of a new Delgado nursing and allied health building. Added to this amount is the Ochsner donation of \$10 million which satisfies the 12% match requirement as well as provides additional funds for construction. The total contribution to this project from Act 360 and match funds is approximately \$43,789,047.

Q & A

Q: Why doesn't Delgado keep the nursing school in the downtown building?

A: We have outgrown the facility, which does not belong to Delgado. The school must vacate the state-owned building when the lease ends in 2022.

Q: What about the building's contemporary design? Isn't it out of character for the campus and the area?

A: A wide variety of architectural styles can be seen in buildings on City Park Avenue between I-10 and Bayou St. John, from classic to modern. The contemporary design of the new building will enhance the appearance of the City Park Campus, which contains buildings of varied sizes and styles dating back to 1921.

The College worked with a distinguished architectural firm to design the building. The design is intended to show clearly that innovation and creativity are happening inside. The contemporary design is flanked on the west side with arches that echo historic Isaac Delgado Hall next door. The blend of contemporary and traditional design is intended to state that while Delgado honors its history and is building upon it, the College is not doing things in the same old ways.

We are innovative and providing relevant, real-world experiences—and we are positioning as a model for other institutions moving forward into the future.

Q: Are trees being removed to make room for the new building?

A: No, all existing trees will remain along the street frontage on City Park Avenue and Orleans Avenue.

Q: Isn't the new building going to be a lot taller than everything else around it?

A: At five stories tall, it will be within City of New Orleans zoning limits for the area. Isaac Delgado Hall, Building 1, is three stories tall.

Q: How about traffic?

A: Construction and operation of the new building will require no changes to existing traffic patterns.



Q: Won't a new building bring a lot more people to the area?

A: In Fall 2011, Delgado enrolled 20,452 students and 12,459 of those attended at the City Park Campus. Since then, enrollment has significantly decreased. In Fall 2019, 14,140 students enrolled, with 9,303 at the City Park Campus—3,000 fewer students.

However, more students have enrolled in online classes over the last few years. Of the 9,303 students enrolled in 2019 at the City Park Campus, 40% were enrolled in online courses as compared to 2011 with 20% taking online classes.

With the River City Site and the expanded West Bank Campus, students can attend Delgado where they live, not at the City Park Campus.

Our current nursing students were once pre-nursing students attending pre-requisite classes at the City Park Campus. Nursing students also spend much of their time off-campus in clinical instructional settings—hospitals and other healthcare facilities.

PAST ENROLLMENT

Year	Semester	Total Enrollment	City Park Campus Enrollment	City Park Campus Face-Face Classes	City Park Campus Online Classes
2010	Fall	18,767	11,447	80%	20%
	Spring	17,208	10,711	70%	30%
	Summer	7,449	4,858	70%	30%
2011	Fall	20,452	12,459	80%	20%
	Spring	19,252	11,532	80%	20%
	Summer	7,720	4,855	70%	30%

RECENT ENROLLMENT

Year	Semester	Total Enrollment	City Park Campus Enrollment	City Park Campus Face-Face Classes	City Park Campus Online Classes
2018	Fall	14,252	9,477	60%	40%
	Spring	13,596	9,181	60%	40%
	Summer	5,048	3,415	50%	50%
2019	Fall	14,140	9,303	60%	40%
	Spring	13,576	9,017	60%	40%
	Summer	5,021	3,388	50%	50%

Q: Where will everyone park, during construction and after completion?

A: Currently, the City Park Campus has 1,849 parking spaces. In Summer 2021, construction will not disrupt parking because the College is continuing to operate in a virtual/hybrid manner; therefore, fewer students will be on campus. Delgado is planning to add surface parking and construct a parking garage that will be located on the interior of the City Park Campus.

In Fall 2021, construction will be underway. We will lose 250 parking spaces at the construction site but 70 parking spaces will be added in various locations across campus. Also, 40% of the classes offered at the City Park Campus will remain virtual/hybrid, reducing the number of students on campus. In Spring 2022 a larger number of students will return to campus, but robust online instruction will continue. Another 250 parking spaces will be added. In Summer 2022, enrollment will be much lower and 1,919 parking spaces will be available. In Spring 2023, construction will end, the first nursing students will arrive, and 2,024 parking spaces will be available.

DELGADO CITY PARK CAMPUS PARKING MAP

- Current lot next to Building 1–250 spaces
- Future lot with new building–105 spaces (145 lost)
- New garage Building 9–200 spaces
- New lot behind Building 9–130 spaces
- New lot behind Building 37–70 spaces
- New lot next to Building 5–50 spaces
- Total after new construction–355 spaces
- Total with new garage–425 spaces



Q: What is the construction timeline?

A: The Ochsner Center for Nursing and Allied Health at Delgado Community College is currently in the Design Development Phase. It is anticipated that design and construction will overlap at the start of the project to get the project started as soon as possible.

The anticipated timeline is as follows:

