



Dillard University is grateful to Dr. Marvalene Hughes for all the work she accomplished during her six years as university president, from 2005-2011. Her leadership and dedication - especially in helping Dillard weather the storm of Hurricane Katrina - will never be forgotten.

Under Dr. Hughes' leadership, Dillard cut ribbons on a new state-of-the-art, 130,000 square foot LEED®* certified **Professional Schools and Sciences Building**, as well as the first **Student Union** in

Dillard's 141-year history. The Student Union will include a **Community Health and Wellness Center**

, recreational facility, and ballrooms that will be open to the public. This building will house the first community health center in this area since Katrina, making it a vital component in the rebuilding of the Gentilly neighborhood.

Prior to coming to Dillard, Dr. Hughes served as president of the University of California at Stanislaus, where she oversaw more than \$70 million in infrastructural campus improvements, and was credited with increasing enrollment by 40 percent and achieving many national rankings for the first time in the institution's history.

An international leader, Dr. Hughes delivered the keynote address at the Great Hall of the People in Beijing, China to the **International Conference for Women University Presidents**, of which she is a member.

Dr. Hughes received her undergraduate degree from Tuskegee University and her Ph.D. from Florida State University.

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The Presidency of Dr. Marvalene Hughes - An Archive

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