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UNO College of Education to Conduct Lesson Study Open House at Capdau-UNO Charter School

The University of New Orleans College of Education and Human Development's Department of Curriculum and Instruction will conduct a Lesson Study Open House at Pierre Capdau-UNO Charter School, 3821 Franklin Avenue, on Friday, December 14, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Lesson study is a professional development process that Japanese teachers use to systematically examine their practice. The goal of lesson study is to improve the effectiveness of the experiences that the teachers provide to their students. The core activity in lesson study is for teachers to collaboratively work on a small number of "study lessons" which are used to examine the teachers' practice.

"The open house allows a school to share its lesson study work with area educators. The main activities of the open house are teaching study lessons for the invited guests and discussing these study lessons with them," said Dr. Yvelyne Germain-McCarthy, mathematics specialist in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction.

"Our teachers have already taught and revised mathematics lessons and are now ready to teach the revised version. We have invited UNO Louisiana Systemic Initiatives Program (LaSIP) directors and teachers in helping us to observe students' participation in the lessons so that the lessons can be improved," said Dr. Darlene Morgan Brown, Director of Capital One – UNO Charter Network.

The **Capital One-University of New Orleans Charter Network** is a seamless pre-kindergarten through college learning community. Schools in the Network are operated by UNO's College of Education & Human Development. Teachers focus on the individual needs of every child, every day and prepare children for the next educational level. This pre-kindergarten through high school educational process is designed to provide access and placement in community colleges and The University of New Orleans. For more information on the Capital One-University of New Orleans Charter Network, visit www.unocharternetwork.net.

The University of New Orleans (UNO), the urban research University of the State of Louisiana, provides essential support for the educational, economic, cultural, and social well-being of the culturally rich and diverse New Orleans metropolitan area. It opened its doors in 1958 as part of the Louisiana State University System "to bring public-supported higher education to Louisiana's largest urban community." Today, UNO offers 91 degree programs, of which 43 are undergraduate programs, 37 are masters, and 11 are doctoral programs. The 340-acre main campus sits on the south shore of Lake Pontchartrain, offering easy access to all parts of the metro area.

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