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## Board of Regents Approves Southern University Law Center in Shreveport

Southern University Law Center will move forward with legal education in Shreveport. The State Board of Regents voted unanimously during their June meeting to bring the law school to the northwest region. There will be a 3-phased approach over several years with the first phase starting in 2022.

The pilot program called "Semester in Shreveport" is Phase 1 to a branch campus. Students can complete up to 16 hours of coursework during Spring 2022 and 2023 in Shreveport during the first phase. They will also be able to prepare for the Louisiana Bar exam and seek learning opportunities and potential employment opportunities in the area.

Funding from the local community and stakeholders will be vital in making this successful. The program will cost between 8-10 million a year, with half of that coming from tuition.

Phase 2 and 3 will be implemented in the fall of 2023 and 2025.

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