



Update on the Tulane Mathematics Department (December 21, 2005)

Like everything else in New Orleans, Tulane University was adversely affected by hurricane Katrina. Located on relatively high ground, its campus survived relatively well, but the university was closed for the Fall 2005 semester. Tulane is now preparing to reopen for the Spring 2006 semester.

Because the university suffered the financial hardship of missing a semester, it has been forced to reorganize and re-conceptualize itself. As a result of this process, the university has decided to focus its resources on a smaller number of programs and a number of Ph.D. programs have been eliminated or consolidated.

The good news for the mathematics department is that our Ph.D. program is one of those on which the university wants to focus resources. Our faculty remains the same, as does the structure of our graduate program. What has changed is our expectation of receiving additional resources in the next few years.

A description of our graduate program can be found at

<http://www.math.tulane.edu/graduate/Brochure/brochure3.html>.

We would like to urge members of the mathematics community to support our program by advising prospective graduate students to consider applying to Tulane for graduate study in mathematics. We believe that, in the next few years, it will be an exciting place to study.

–Morris Kalka, Chair