

## **Report Highlights**

## **Nicholls State University**

**University of Louisiana System** 

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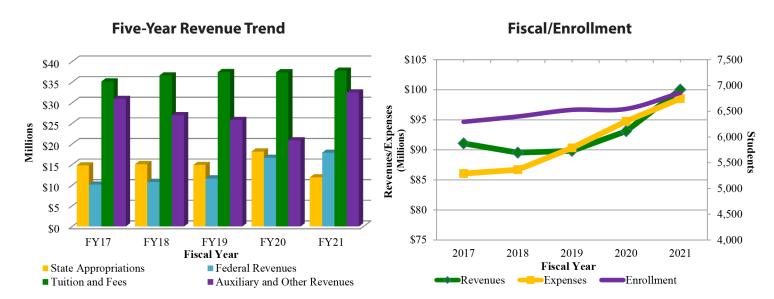
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## Why We Conducted This Audit

We performed certain procedures at Nicholls State University (Nicholls) as a part of the University of Louisiana System audit, and to evaluate Nicholls' accountability over public funds for the period July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021.

## **What We Found**

- Financial information relating to the following accounts was materially correct: Cash and Cash Equivalents;
   Investments; Due from State Treasury; Capital Assets; Bonds Payable; Net Position; Student Tuition and Fees,
   Net of Scholarship Allowances; Auxiliary Revenues; State Appropriations; Federal Nonoperating Revenues;
   Educational and General Expenses; and Auxiliary Enterprises Expenses.
- Based on the results of these procedures, we did not report any findings.
- In analyzing financial trends of Nicholls over the past five fiscal years, revenues and expenses are trending in the same direction. Total revenues have increased 10%, and expenses have increased by 14% over the past five fiscal years. Since fiscal year 2017, Federal Nonoperating Revenues have increased 76% due to federal funds received related to COVID-19 relief in fiscal years 2020 and 2021. Over that same period, operating expenses have increased 15%, which in fiscal years 2020 and 2021 included expenses related to COVID-19 mitigation efforts. Enrollment has steadily increased over the last five fiscal years.



Source: Fiscal years 2017 – 2021 Nicholls Annual Fiscal Reports, as adjusted, and Louisiana Board of Regents website