

Circle U is provided as a pilot to HBCUs through Circle Impact, Circle's initiative to focus on financial inclusion, digital financial literacy and humanitarian aid distribution via blockchain technology. Partnership with HBCUs is critical to expanding access to digital financial literacy and ensuring a more inclusive financial future.

Xavier University is keenly aware of the importance of providing its students with the critical foundational knowledge provided in Circle U," **said Dante Disparte, Chief Strategy Officer and Head of Global Policy at Circle.** We're thrilled that faculty and students at Xavier are extracting value, and we look forward to expanding the pilot to include even more HBCUs and Minority Serving Institutions in 2023."

"As a firm believer in blockchain and cryptocurrency technology, programs like Circle U help African Americans to start having a seat at the table," said **Barnes.** "The stock market has been in place for generations, and we could be doing the same to attain generational wealth. The cryptocurrency market is a growing venture and needs more people like us in it."

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and political science. More recent additions in robotics, bioinformatics, engineering, data science, neuroscience and genetics, in addition to new STEM-provided Xavier students (2,749 undergraduates and 849 graduates) an unbeatable combination of traditional classroom study, hands-on research, service-learning opportunities and life experiences. Xavier students collaborate with world-renowned faculty, who are experts in their fields, to produce award-winning research and notable work. The winning Xavier formula is to provide students with a well-balanced curriculum and an environment that nurtures their intellect and feeds their souls, thereby facilitating a more just and humane society for all. For more information about Xavier University of Louisiana, visit us online at www.xu.edu