**USL dorm system reviews good**

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A random sampling of students shows generally good reviews for USL's controversial new system of residence hall assignments a month after the program began.

"I see a lot of people studying at night, people who didn't used to study," said Chad Porter, a freshman from New Iberia.

And that, according to USL Dean of Student Services Ed Pratt, is the idea.

Under the program, four USL residence halls -- McCullough and Stokes for men, and Baker-Huger and Denbo for women -- are restricted to students who meet grade point average or ACT score requirements. Computer facilities have been added to those dorms.

The other affected residence halls -- Voorhies for men, and Benin and Denbo for women -- offer expanded tutorial services.

"The people we're bringing in -- special tutors, area coordinators to follow up -- I think we are bringing the proper emphasis. We're kind of adding to it," Pratt said.

"It's all right as far as studying," said the freshman student from DeRidder. "It's quieter." Julie Doucet is a sophomore psychology student from Lake Charles, agrees. "It's OK," she said. "It's quieter."

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