

# ADMISSIONS PROFILE

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New School of Music recruitment material

On August 29, 2005, as students began their fall semester at the IU Jacobs School of Music, Hurricane Katrina hit the Gulf Coast. Those who were able to evacuate left homes and possessions in New Orleans and cities along the Alabama and Mississippi coast, expecting to return after the storm. As the floods subsided, many learned that their homes had been destroyed. Displaced students sought admission for the fall semester at universities and conservatories across the country.

On September 9, the Jacobs School admitted two graduate students in voice from the University of New Orleans, Ebonee Davis and Tyrone Hayes. Homes lost, the only possessions that they brought with them were the few that they were able to pack in their suitcases. Davis recently commented on her first semester at Indiana University, “Even though I didn’t arrive here under the best of circumstances, I know that I am here for a reason and I look forward to this new and exciting experience. I have been



David Snodgrass, Bloomington, IN Herald-Times

Ebonee Davis and Tyrone Hayes

enjoying my time here. The faculty and students have been extremely kind.”

Davis and Hayes are among the 285 graduate and 253 undergraduate students to enroll at the Jacobs School of Music this fall. The new undergraduate class of 2009 is composed of talented, diverse, and intelligent young musicians and scholars; 40 percent of them were admitted through the IU Honors College. Our graduate student population continues to be diverse, with the majority of the new students nonresidents, and 34 percent from countries outside of the United States. With an average SAT score of 1240, our students continue to test well above the campus average of 1100. Davis, Hayes, and the others who came to Bloomington this fall will join an international network of prominent alumni as the next generation of music leaders.

Though the circumstances that brought Davis and Hayes were difficult, they now enjoy the benefits of studying with renowned artist-teachers in a world class conservatory setting.

## 2005–2006 Student Enrollment Statistics

Number of Auditions	2,305
Undergraduate	1,365
Graduate	940
Number of Admitted Students	978
New Student Enrollment	538
Undergraduate	253
Graduate	285
Total Jacobs School of Music Enrollment for Fall 2005	1,615
Enrollment by Residency	
Undergraduate Resident	26%
Undergraduate Non-Resident	74%
Undergraduate International	8%
Graduate Resident	15%
Graduate Non-Resident	85%
Graduate International	34%
Enrollment by Gender	
Male	49%
Female	51%