# UCF HSI FACTS // 2021-22

The University of Central Florida (UCF) was first federally recognized as a Hispanic-Serving Institution (HSI) by the U.S. Department of Education in January 2019. UCF is 1 of 3 HSIs in the State University System (SUS) of Florida.

This overview provides a snapshot of HSI related activities at UCF. This is not an exhaustive summary.

#### Fall 2021 Enrollment

- Total: 19,613 (27.9%) Hispanic/Latino students overall out of 70,386
- Undergraduate: 17,601 (29.3%) Hispanic/Latino undergraduate students out of 60,062

#### Hispanic/Latino Student Population



Source: 2019-2020 Entering Student Survey administered by UCF Operational Excellence and Assessment Support.

## **UCF HSI Initiatives Programs**



in Spanish, is a peer-mentor based initiative designed to improve Latino/a/x student success at UCF. CREAR (College REadiness, Achievement and Retention) freshmen are paired with knowledgeable and highly trained upper-classman peer-mentors that introduce them to campus resources and offer insight on how to make the most out of their UCF experience.

CREAR Futuros, which means "To Create Futures"



Nuestra Graduación is one of UCF's identity-based graduation programs hosted in the spring semester in celebration of Latino/a/x graduates and their families. It is a bilingual, cultural program where Latin American flags are displayed with pride and confianza is cultivated through active family participation. Nuestra Graduación provides an additional space to celebrate Latino/a/x achievement in a meaningful way.

### Latino/a/x Centered Professional Student Organization

UCF also offers Latino/a/x centered Cultural and Greek-letter student organizations.



The Association of Latino Professionals for America at UCF is a professional development organization that seeks to build and grow the next generation of Latino leaders in business.



The Latino Medical Student Association at UCF unites and empowers pre-health students through service, mentorship, and education to advocate for the health of the Latino community.



The Society of Hispanic Professional Engineers works to promote the development of Hispanics in engineering, science, and other technical professions.



The United Latinx Law Association strives to aid students in utilizing basic legal knowledge to advocate for judicial causes and promote the Latinx/Hispanic culture within the UCF community.

# Leading the way as an HSI



UCF is 1 of 24 colleges/universities in the U.S. certified with the Seal of Excelencia by Excelencia in Education. An institution earns the Seal by demonstrating evidence of effective and intentional institutional practices that serve Latino students; positive momentum for Latino students' progress; and a commitment to providing an environment where Latino students can thrive



UCF is 1 of 35 inaugural colleges/universities in the country recognized as a Fulbright HSI Leader by the U.S. Department of State's Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs for demonstrated noteworthy promotion and engagement with the Fulbright Program during the 2019-2021 academic years.

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# **Hispanic Serving** Institution Initiatives

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