



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

### **SERVING Statement**

UCF aspires to be a model Hispanic Serving Research University that embodies the SERVING spirit of the federal Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI) designation, by maximizing related funding opportunities in a way that meaningfully serves students, faculty, staff, alumni, and community members from diverse backgrounds.

All investigators/project directors are strongly encouraged to address the needs and experiences of Hispanic/Latino/a/x and low-income students in federal/foundation sponsored projects with a dedicated focus on Hispanic/Minority Serving Institutions. This includes general grant programs that prioritize or award discretionary points for HSI/MSI submissions.

### **Recommended Reflection**

#### **How does this proposed project/program intentionally:**

- SERVE Latino/a/x, low-income, and other underrepresented students?
- Advance the professional goals of underrepresented faculty/staff?
- Address the needs of UCF's local service area and contribute to state goals?
- Incorporate inclusive excellence strategies that promote institutional transformation?
- Position UCF for the competitive advantage and elevate UCF's national HSI profile?

**My signature below serves as my acknowledgment of this SERVING statement.**

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**Agency Name**

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**Program Name**

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**Solicitation Number**

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**Project Title**

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**Signature, Principal Investigator**

**Date**

**Note:** All investigators/project directors developing proposals for federal/foundation grant programs with a dedicated focus on HSIs/MSIs must submit a signed SERVING Statement. This also includes general grant programs that prioritize or award discretionary points for HSI/MSI submissions. The Authorized Organizational Representative/Signatory can then process HSI/MSI eligibility certification forms and grant verification letters as requested.

**Please email signed SERVING Statements to [HSI@ucf.edu](mailto:HSI@ucf.edu) and upload to Huron Research Suite.**

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