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Inspired by their passion for children and by a shared desire to improve the lives of children living in urban poverty, Michael and Susan Dell established their efforts on improving education and children's health in Central Texas. But within a few short years, their reach expanded, first nationally and then globally. To date, the Michael & Susan Dell Foundation has committed more than \$1.1 billion to assist nonprofit organizations and social enterprises working in major urban communities in the United States, South Africa and India.



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. This federal designation recognizes colleges and universities with a 25% or more undergraduate enrollment of Hispanic/Latino students. UCF's Hispanic Serving Institution Initiatives Unit partners across divisions and academic colleges to implement policies and programs that help strengthen UCF's capacity to better serve Latino/a/x and other minoritized student populations. HSI Initiatives also provides guidance and support with relation to federal funding opportunities available to strengthen Hispanic/Minority Serving Institutions.

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CREAR Futuros (College REadiness, Achievement and Retention) provides an exclusive opportunity for incoming freshmen and sophomore students at the University of Central Florida (UCF) to position themselves on a path to success!

What is CREAR Futuros?

CREAR Futuros, which means "To Create Futures" in Spanish, is a peer-mentor based initiative designed to improve Latino/a/x student success at UCF and other colleges around the nation. While CREAR Futuros was designed to support Latino student success, students from all backgrounds are welcomed and encouraged to apply, as data collected demonstrates a positive impact for all participants.

Creyentes (Mentees) will be paired with knowledgeable and highly trained upper-class UCF peer-mentors that will introduce them to campus resources and offer insight on how to take full advantage of the resources available at UCF.

This competitive program will provide participants with professional development opportunities and access to a wide range of support services.

Who is Involved?

The Hispanic Federation, a leading Latino advocacy and nonprofit membership organization, and Hispanic Serving Institution Initiatives at UCF, are partnering with Latino community-based agencies, public policy stakeholders, and business leaders to offer this esteemed program committed to achieving systemic change and large scale collective impact on Latino college access, retention and graduation.

Am I Eligible?

Mentors

Students who are interested in improving success rates for Latinos in higher education are encouraged to apply. Mentors must have Junior/Senior standing, a 3.3+ GPA and a proven leadership track record. Applications are available every spring semester.

Creyentes (Mentees)

While this program is designed to support Latino student success, Freshman/Sophomore students of all racial/ethnic backgrounds at the University of Central Florida are welcome!

Why Should I Sign-up?

- Receive one-on-one peer mentoring
- Access to professional development opportunities
- Access to a network of Latino/a/x professionals and leaders in the public and private sectors
- Referrals to support services
- Membership to a prestigious national program
- Joining a familia of Latino/a/x students at UCF

What Are My Responsibilities?

- Commit to participation in fall and spring.
- Engage in weekly Mentor/Mentee communication.
- Participate in monthly Mentor/Mentee professional development workshops.
- Attend 3 CREAR approved networking and extra-curricular events throughout the academic year.

How Do I Sign-Up?

Visit <https://access.ucf.edu/students/crear-futuros/> for more information.

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