

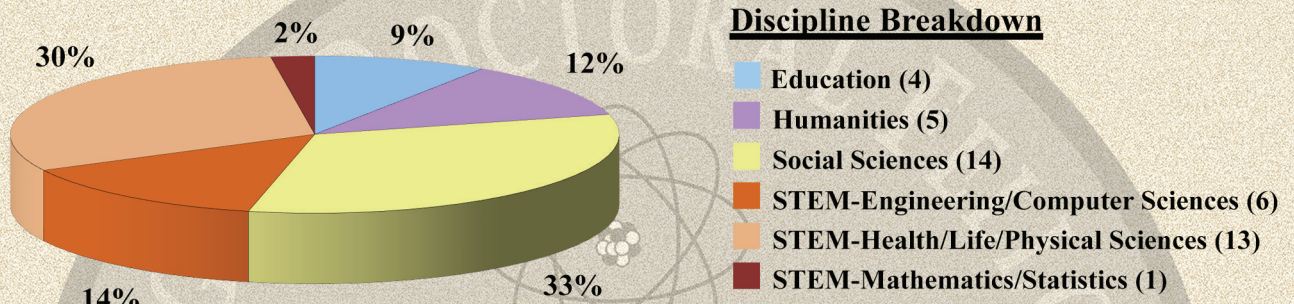


McKnight Doctoral Fellows' Orientation Meeting

THE PH.D. EXPERIENCE: EXPECTATIONS & REALITIES

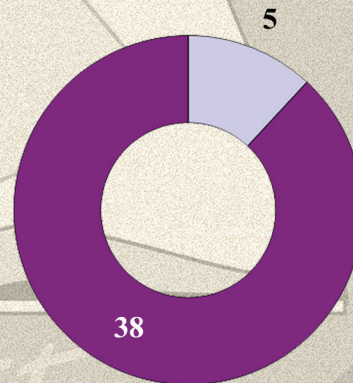
August 9-10, 2024

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THE PH.D. EXPERIENCE: EXPECTATIONS & REALITIES

Agenda

Dr. Lawrence Morehouse, President & CEO, Presiding

To assist you in finding meeting rooms, we include a map of the Marriott Tampa Airport Hotel on page 5.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 9, 2024

1:00-5:00 p.m. ~ Grand Ballroom East Foyer
♦ **Registration**

2:00-3:50 p.m. ~ Grand Ballroom East

♦ **Opening Session**

Welcome and Purpose: - Dr. Lawrence Morehouse
The MDF Profile: 2024-2025 Class Portraits: - Dr. Taylor Rodman, McKnight Alumna and Program Manager

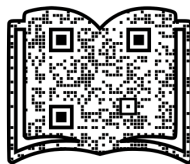
4:00-5:00 p.m. ~ Grand Ballroom East

♦ **Session I: Strategies for Navigating the Ph.D. Process: Expectations and Realities**

This session surveys key academic and psycho-social requirements to successfully navigate a Ph.D. program. By examining the unique nature of doctoral studies, personal learning styles, coping mechanisms, skill sets, and the span of the doctoral commitment, students will leave the session empowered to create their own “Strategies for Navigating the Ph.D. Process.” The discussion will include information related to analytical note-taking; maintaining mental health, a strong work-ethic, and commitment; and the process of creating knowledge.

- Dr. Tony Barringer, Associate Provost & Associate Vice President for Academic Affairs, Florida Gulf Coast University
- Dr. Claude Villiers, Professor, Department of Civil Engineering, Florida Gulf Coast University

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6:00-8:30 p.m. ~ Grand Ballroom West
McKnight Reception

Guest Speaker: Dr. Iraida Carrion, LCSW, Associate Professor, School of Social Work, University of South Florida
MDF Online Writing Workshops: Lyra Logan, Esq., Executive Vice President & General Counsel, FEF
Closing Remarks: Dr. Lawrence Morehouse

Dr. Iraida V. Carrion is an Associate Professor in the School of Social Work and affiliated faculty in the department of anthropology at the University of South Florida (USF). Her research encompasses the intersection of end of life care, cancer and health decisions among Latinos in the United States and indigenous communities in India as well as comparative research among older adults in Spain and Latinos in Florida. Dr. Carrion has written over 50 peer-reviewed journal articles and four book chapters, has presented extensively, and serves on the editorial boards of Palliative Medicine and Journal of Social Work in End-of-Life & Palliative Care. A Licensed Clinical Social Worker, Carrion has extensive clinical experience in psychiatric, medical and private practice in New York City, Central Florida and West Texas.



Dr. Carrion chairs the Bachelor of Social Work and MSW programs at USF's Tampa campus and directs the MSW program at the Sarasota-Manatee campus. She also is a member of numerous social work-related professional organizations, has been appointed to serve on two national committees of the National Association of Social Workers (NASW), is a Fellow in the Gerontological Society of America, and has been selected a Fulbright Specialist sponsored by the U.S. Department of State. Her awards include the NASW Social Work Educator of the Year, the prestigious Puerto Rican Leader award from the Bronx President of New York City, USF's Academic Excellence, Diversity and Hispanic Pathway Awards, the Status of Latino Award, and the McKnight Junior Faculty Development Fellowship.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10, 2024

7:00-8:30 a.m.

♦ **Room Checkout**

8:00-8:45 a.m. ~ *Grand Ballroom East Foyer*

♦ **Continental Breakfast**

9:00-10:00 a.m. ~ *Grand Ballroom East*

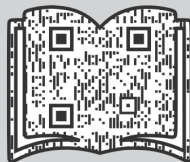
♦ **Session II: Negotiating the Ph.D. Environment**

This presentation describes key components of the academic department at the Ph.D. level and engages new McKnight Doctoral Fellows in a discussion of strategies to develop to successfully negotiate the Ph.D. environment. The session will focus on identifying and addressing challenges faced by new doctoral students. These challenges include cultivating relations with faculty and choosing a major professor, connecting to the faculty's research enterprise, connecting coursework to research interests and dissertation development, forming committees and responding to them at various stages, and understanding the academic culture and its role in facilitating degree completion and career sponsorship.

- *Dr. Marvin Dawkins*, Professor, Department of Sociology, University of Miami

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10:10-12:00 p.m. ~ *Grand Ballroom East*

♦ **Graduate Deans' Roundtable**

From the University Perspective: Best Practices for Completing the Ph.D. Program

On this panel, selected university administrators offer their advice on the most effective practices for completing the Ph.D. program.

- *Dr. Adrienne P. Stephenson*, Moderator/Chair, Associate Dean and Director, Graduate Fellowships and Awards, Florida State University

- *Dr. Ruth Bahr*, Vice Provost and Dean of the Graduate School, University of South Florida

- *Dr. Murielle Gammons*, Director of the Office of Graduate Student Support and Engagement, University of Florida

- *Dr. Alla Mirzoyan*, Assistant Dean of the Graduate School, Florida International University

- *Dr. Jennifer Parham*, Senior Assistant Dean, College of Graduate Studies, University of Central Florida

- *Dr. Nicole Leeper Piquero*, Interim Dean of the Graduate School, University of Miami

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12:10-1:30 p.m. ~ *Grand Ballroom West*

♦ **Luncheon and Keynote Address: Student Success and the Ph.D. Experience**

- *Dr. Sylvia Thomas*, Vice President for Research & Innovation, President & CEO of the USF Research Foundation, Inc., and Professor, University of South Florida

Dr. Sylvia Wilson Thomas is Vice President for Research and Innovation, and President and CEO of the USF Research Foundation at the University of South Florida, where she is also Professor of Electrical Engineering and affiliate faculty in Medical Engineering. She earned bachelor's and master's degrees in Electrical Engineering from Vanderbilt University as well as her Ph.D. in the same field from Howard University.



Dr. Thomas serves as President of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Engineering in Medicine and Biology, Florida West Coast Section; advisor for Society of Women Engineers and National Society of Black Engineers; member of the Board of Directors for Black Girls Code; and a Florida Senate appointee to the Florida Education Fund Board of Directors.

As leader of the Advanced Membrane and Materials Bio and Integration Research (AMBIR) laboratory, Thomas investigates the use of advanced material systems for nano membrane technology, energy harvesting, sustainable environments, drug delivery, and other bio-applications to meet global technological challenges. Her research has been funded by more than \$4.8m and 12 patents/patent disclosures. She has directly mentored more than 150 students in roles as major/co-major professor and committee member for doctoral and master's degrees; REU and RET mentor; and senior design and honors theses project mentor. Dr. Thomas has fostered and been engaged in collaborations and engineering education efforts in Italy, Puerto Rico, Singapore, Portugal, South Korea, Mexico, and South Africa.

1:45-3:00 p.m. ~ *Grand Ballroom East*

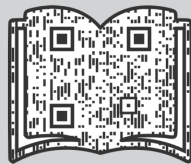
♦ **Introduction to Graduate Writing**

Writing in graduate school presents a number of opportunities and challenges. This session addresses a variety of types of writing students will experience in graduate school, including book reviews, critiques, literature reviews, annotated bibliographies, research papers and proposals, among others. In addition, the session addresses the need for students to familiarize themselves with scholarly journals in their fields, along with writing styles and documentation specific to their disciplines. The session also identifies typical writing problems that occur in students' writing and provides references to remedy the weaknesses.

- *Dr. Vernetta Mosley*, Writing Coach, Editor, Consultant, Chrysalis Consulting, LLC

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3:10-4:20 p.m. ~ *Grand Ballroom East*

♦ **MDF Panel: The University Experience**

The McKnight Doctoral Fellows' Panel has long been a New Fellows' Orientation highlight. Matriculating Fellows share their experiences and insights on selected topics to help prepare new Fellows for their upcoming Ph.D. experiences.

- *Dr. Stephanie Rosado* (2020, Sociology, USF), Moderator

Dr. Rosado is a Research & Evaluation Associate at The Foundation for a Healthy St. Petersburg (FHSP). She is also an adjunct professor at the University of South Florida and a Certified Wellness & Health Coach (CWHC). With early career experiences as a professional athlete and a licensed social work supervisor in an inner-city child welfare agency, she brings unique expertise and skills to her work in social work, research, advocacy, and overall wellness. Dr. Rosado's research focuses on health, wellbeing, and sport social work, and her dissertation specifically explored social role participation, identity, and satisfaction with life among adults diagnosed with osteoarthritis.

3:10-4:20 p.m. ~ *Grand Ballroom East*

♦ **MDF Panel: The University Experience (Cont.)**

- *Ms. Nella Delva* (2018, Medical Sciences, FSU): "*Navigating the Ph.D. Journey: Effective Mentorship for Aspiring Scholars*"

This presentation explores the pivotal role of mentorship in shaping the Ph.D. experience. Attendees will gain insights into establishing productive mentor-mentee relationships, setting realistic goals, and leveraging mentorship for professional growth. The session is designed to equip new Ph.D. students with the tools needed to maximize their research journey through effective mentoring.

Ms. Delva is a doctoral candidate in biomedical sciences at Florida State University College of Medicine, specializing in neurobiology. With over ten years of research experience, she focuses on cellular, molecular, and developmental neurobiology, particularly the effects of losing Dopamine D1 Receptors in Nkx2.1+ Neurons. She holds a master's degree in biological sciences from the University of South Carolina and has received several awards, including the Fulbright Study/Research Award and the McKnight Fellowship. Nella has presented her research at various national conferences and published multiple articles in her field.

- *Mr. Kworweinski Lafontant* (2023, Physiology, UCF): "*Stand Up and Be Humble: Embracing Well-being as a Ph.D. Student*"

Transitioning from a bachelors or masters program into a Ph.D. program can take a toll on our physical, mental, and social well-being. This presentation will provide perspectives on how to transition well, including practical strategies for maintaining every aspect of your well-being as you enter into your Ph.D. program.

Mr. Lafontant is a doctoral student in the School of Kinesiology and Rehabilitation Sciences at the University of Central Florida. He graduated with a bachelor's and master's degree in exercise science from Hope College ('21) and the University of South Florida ('23), respectively. Kworweinski is a Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist through the National Strength and Conditioning Association, as well as a Certified Exercise Physiologist and Certified Personal Trainer through the American College of Sports Medicine.

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♦ MDF Panel: The University Experience (Cont.)

As research assistant in the Physiology of Work and Exercise Response (POWER) Lab, Kworweinski's research interests lie in human performance enhancement through exercise, diets, supplements, and testing modalities.

- Ms. Maria Moreno (2020, Nursing, USF): *"Seeking Research Opportunities: Where Do I Start?"*

This section provides an overview of seeking opportunities for research-related experiences within and outside of your department. It will also discuss searching for and identifying diverse sources of assistance and funding to help you successfully navigate your Ph.D. degree.

Ms. Moreno is a fourth-year Ph.D. candidate at the University of South Florida, College of Nursing. Her research interest is in minority health, with a focus on chronic diseases and cancer. She has previously worked as a research assistant in an R01-funded study on breast cancer survivors in collaboration with the Sarasota Memorial Research Institute, who will also assist in her current dissertation work. Her dissertation aims to understand health-related self-management behaviors and quality of life in Hispanic breast cancer survivors with type II diabetes and describe their experience of having to manage both health conditions.

3:10-4:20 p.m. ~ Grand Ballroom East

♦ MDF Panel: The University Experience (Cont.)

- Mr. Brandon Sosa (2021, Ecology, FIU): *"Igniting Your Research: Crafting Questions, Bridging Gaps"*

Starting your research journey can be daunting, but it all begins with the right questions. In this talk, we'll explore how to spark innovative ideas, learn how to explore your research area, and tips for proposal writing. You'll learn practical tips for brainstorming, identifying knowledge gaps, and overcoming common challenges, setting you up for a rewarding and impactful research experience.

Mr. Sosa, a first-generation Cuban-American Ph.D. candidate at Florida International University, specializes in marine science and conservation. He earned his undergraduate degree in aquatic sciences from Purdue University and studied at the University of Queensland as a Gilman Scholar, deepening his understanding of ocean ecosystems and leading him to doctoral research focused on effective coral reef management. His research at FIU aims to understand reef restoration strategies, focusing on urchin and crab stocking to reduce competitive macroalgae. By optimizing reef management, he strives to enhance the resilience of these vital ecosystems.

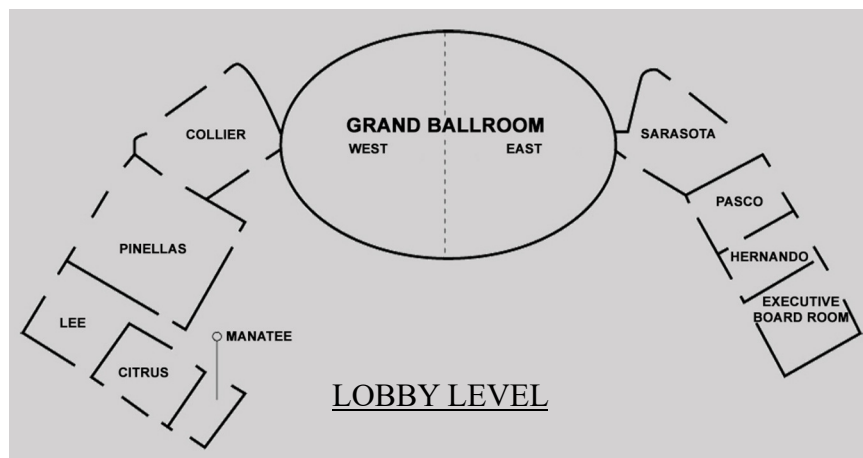
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4:30-5:00 p.m. ~ Grand Ballroom East

♦ Business Matters/Policies & Procedures

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MDF NEW FELLOWS' PROFILES: CLASS OF 2024-2025

Estefany Abrego

Industrial Organizational Psychology
Florida International University



B.A., Psychology, Rutgers University

Research Interest

Estefany researches workplace toxicity and the barriers faced by stigmatized individuals, focusing on social inequalities in leadership. She also examines psychological processes of stress and coping that may affect employees' health and well-being and how these processes manifest in workplace environments. Her goal is to conduct cutting-edge research on organizational development and encourage management that informs and shapes best practices.

Franchesca Bellevu

Industrial Engineering, Florida A&M University



B.S., Industrial Engineering, Florida State Univ.

Research Interest

Franchesca conducts research on the performance and characteristics of hybrid composite materials using additive manufacturing, focusing on their application in photo detection. She aims to innovate and refine sensor technology for potential integration into biomedical solutions for restoring impaired vision. Through this endeavor, she intends to enrich scientific knowledge by investigating novel material compositions through efficient fabrication techniques.

Ria-Skylar Brooks

Educational Psychology, Florida State University



B.S., Psychology, University of Central Florida
M.S., Community Psychology, Florida A&M University

Research Interest

Ria-Skylar researches optimism as a mediator in the relationship of adverse childhood experiences to academic success in African American college students. Her goal is to develop current empirical research using African (Black) psychology theories. Through this research, communities will benefit from the development of culturally specific methodologies and theologies aimed at decreasing dropout rates, mental illnesses, and intergenerational trauma transmission.

Elena Cabrera

Psychology, Florida International University



B.S., Psychology, Georgia Institute of Technology
M.S., Psychology, Georgia Institute of Technology

Research Interest

Elena researches cultural effects in the realm of social interactions and relationships. Her goal is to better understand the nuances of the effect of culture on social behaviors. The benefit of this research is that it will enhance societal understanding of the significance of cultural factors and pave the way for developing and adopting models and practices that respect diverse backgrounds.

Britney Del Solar

Developmental Psychology, University of Miami



B.A., Psychology, Emory University

Research Interest

Britney researches STEM learning and school readiness in bilingual and at-risk populations. Her goal is to study differences in STEM learning among children with diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds. This research will advance our understanding of how best to teach young children about STEM concepts and help close the achievement gap in children's education.

Kyra Freeman

Higher Education, Florida State University



B.S., Biology, Florida A&M University
M.S., Mental Health Counseling, North Carolina A&T State University

Research Interest

Kyra explores intersectionality in student support services to address educational disparities among economically disadvantaged, first generation students. By examining the nuanced layers of identity and circumstance, she seeks to develop targeted interventions and strategies that empower students to thrive academically, fostering a more equitable educational landscape.

Barbara Herrera

Anthropology, University of Florida



B.S., Environmental and Agricultural Studies, Florida International University
M.A., Latin American and Caribbean Studies, University of South Florida

Research Interest

Barbara's research involves the ethnographic identification of historically prevalent medicinal and edible plant species in the Caribbean. Using local ethnobotanical knowledge, she will develop educational programs for younger members of these communities, thus creating spaces for inter-generational collaboration and reinvigorating cultural relationships to local flora.

Tiyana Herring

Special Education, University of Florida



B.S., Elementary Education, Florida A&M University
M.S., School Psychology, Florida State University
Ed.S., School Psychology, Florida State University

Research Interest

Tiyana develops and implements early reading and literacy interventions, particularly for students with reading disabilities like dyslexia. Her goal is to support literacy and socio-emotional growth, especially within historically marginalized populations and to tailor interventions that will bridge educational disparities and foster equitable opportunities for all learners.

Hillary Jean-Pierre

Pharmaceutical Sciences, University of Florida



B.S., Microbiology and Cell Science, University of Florida

Research Interest

Hillary studies cellular language through extracellular vesicles (EVs) with a specific aim to develop novel drug-delivery methods for therapeutic applications. Her goal is to develop and improve isolation methods for plant-derived extracellular vesicles used in triple negative breast cancer treatment. Research in EV-based drug delivery systems has the potential to revolutionize the field of medicine by offering more precise and effective treatment options for various diseases.

Jade Jemison

Creative Writing, Florida State University



B.A., English, University of Central Florida
M.F.A., Creative Writing, University of South Florida

Research Interest

Jade examines the societal impact of familial relationships in Black literature. As a memoirist who writes about themes such as motherhood, family, loss, and identity, her goal is to discover how the representation of Black mothers has changed across generations. Her research will illuminate tough conversations about the expectations of women and mothers while sharing first-hand experiences of Black womanhood in America.

Eryan Johnson

Youth Dev. and Family Sciences, University of Florida



B.A., Sociology, University of Georgia
Ed.S., Marriage and Family Counseling, University of Florida
M.Ed., Marriage and Family Counseling, University of Florida

Research Interest

With a focus on mental health and well-being, Eryan aims to explore the impact of adverse childhood experiences on sexual and gender minority couples and families. His research seeks to understand relationship functioning in these communities, using community-based participatory research methods. By addressing these issues, Eryan hopes to help develop interventions promoting healthier relationships and improved mental health outcomes.

Jared Johnson

Musicology, Florida State University



B.S., Music Education, Florida A&M University
M.M., Piano Performance, Georgia State University

Research Interest

Jared researches the efficacy, cultural relevance, and intentionality of American music education curricula of the 21st century. His goal is to develop a comprehensive instrumental/vocal pedagogy series, which will help marginalized musicians see themselves in education. His research should result in increased student engagement and awareness of culture responsiveness in music education. By adding contemporary musical excerpts as scaffolds toward mastery of basic music fundamentals, he will help to revolutionize ensemble pedagogical approaches.

Savoya Joyner

Neuroscience, Florida State University



B.S., Biomedical Sciences, North Carolina Central University

Research Interest

Savoya researches estrogens and neuroinflammation and is broadly interested in studying the mechanism underlying the neuroprotective effects of estrogens against diet-induced obesity in female rodents. This research will benefit society by helping to heighten our awareness of the importance of hormones and their impact on motivated behavior (feeding).

Barbara Junco

Clinical Psychology, University of Miami



B.A., Psychology, Florida International Univ.
M.S., Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuropsychology, University of London
M.S., Clinical and Translational Investigation, University of Miami

Research Interest

Barbara investigates the impact of chronic diseases, such as cardiovascular disease, and psychosocial determinants on brain health and neurocognitive dysfunction in underserved populations. Her research focuses on identifying both protective factors and factors that contribute to increased risk. Ultimately, her work aims to mitigate neurocognitive dysfunction by developing targeted interventions and enhancing community awareness in these vulnerable groups.

Aljae Lewis

Biomedical Engineering, University of Florida



B.S., Biology, University of Florida
M.S., Biomedical Engineering, University of Florida

Research Interest

Aljae researches treatments for type 1 diabetes using immunomodulation and biomaterial encapsulation techniques. The goal is to alleviate insulin dependence and mitigate other cellular diabetic-related pathologies. This research aims to improve patient quality of life by improving cellular therapies associated with long-term diabetes management.

Akili Ligon

Marine Biology and Ecology, University of Miami



B.S., Marine Biology, University of Hawai'i at Manoa

Research Interest

Akili studies how microplastics in oceans affect coral immune systems. He aims to identify significant impacts and specific pathways influenced by these stressors. This research will help us understand the effects of microplastics on corals, crucial ecosystem engineers.

Robin Maier

Mathematics, University of Florida



B.S., Mathematics, University of Florida

Research Interest

Robin studies mathematics, with particular interests in number theory and algebra. She is interested in researching the properties of prime numbers and the structures of rings, which intersect in the field of algebraic number theory. Her goal is to one day become a professor and teach mathematics at the university level, to help students discover their passion for math.

Miguel Martinez

Biomedical Engineering, University of Florida



B.S., Biocomputational Engineering, University of Maryland

Research Interest

Miguel is focused on applying machine learning and artificial intelligence to cancer research, specifically in developing computational models to personalize cancer treatment. His research will enhance diagnostic accuracy and therapeutic outcomes by integrating biocomputational techniques with clinical data, ultimately improving survival rates and quality of life for cancer patients.

April McCray

Public Health, Florida A&M University



B.S.W., Social Work, Florida State University
M.S.W., Social Work, Florida State University

Research Interest

April's research focuses on disrupting inter-generational cycles of maternal mental health. She aims to develop strategies to prevent the long-term effects of untreated maternal mental health disorders on family functioning and child outcomes. April believes this research will benefit communities by integrating preventative measures that will increase healthier family dynamics.

Angelica McGee

Youth Dev. and Family Sciences, University of Florida



B.A., Gender and Sexuality Studies, University of Nevada Las Vegas
M.A., Mass Communication and Women's Studies, University of Florida

Research Interest

Angelica is an oral historian who focuses on topics such as Black Joy as a means of resistance, Black male studies, and family and community empowerment. She will use a mixed-methods approach to conduct research that simultaneously strengthens and fosters joy in communities that she engages with, through community building strategies such as workshops, art, interviews, and nonprofit organization.

Marvin Mendoza

Biomedical Sciences, University of Miami



B.S., Biotechnology and Biomedical Sciences, University of Central Florida
M.S., Biotechnology, University of Central Florida

Research Interest

Marvin's research uses an interdisciplinary approach, merging cell biology, biophysics, and engineering, to better understand how vascular cell functionality influences cardiovascular disease. His master's thesis focused on endothelial mechanical force generation during pathological differentiation. Marvin's new aim will be to identify the molecular players involved in vascular remodeling to identify promising targets for diverse diagnostic and therapeutic strategies.

Chyna Miller

Public Health, Florida A&M University



B.F.A., Interior Design, Art Institute of Houston
M.P.H., Public Health, University of Florida

Research Interest

Chyna's research delves into the impact of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) on childhood health and across the lifespan, focusing on disparities among minority demographic groups. Committed to improving outcomes, she strives to develop evidence-based interventions that strengthen community capacity, nurture resilience, and alleviate ACE impacts. Her work not only addresses health disparities but also champions equity and social justice, benefitting society at large.

Kaitlyn Miranda

Biomedical Engineering, University of South Florida



B.S., Biomedical Engineering, University of South Florida

Research Interest

Kaitlyn is researching the biology, genetics, and treatment of cancer. Her goal is to bridge engineering and wet-lab techniques to evaluate the efficacy of anti-cancer drugs. Her translational research will inform oncologists about potential drug combinations and pioneer more efficient cancer therapeutics.

Adline Norwood

Higher Education, Florida A&M University



B.S., Education, Florida A&M University
M.Ed., Education, Florida A&M University

Research Interest

Adline plans to study the issues that impact graduate funding at Research 1 (R1) institutions, particularly at historically Black colleges and universities (HBCUs). By shedding light on the complex landscape of graduate funding at R1 institutions, she seeks to contribute to solutions that will support the future of HBCUs and the role of graduate education.

Sabrina Olivera

Applied Behavioral Analysis, University of Florida



B.S., Psychology, University of Florida
M.S., Applied Behavioral Analysis, University of Miami

Research Interest

Sabrina's research interests are concerned with the assessment and treatment of severe challenging behaviors such as self-injury and aggression in individuals with developmental and neurological disabilities. Her goal is to further advance the field of behavior analysis by bridging the gap between research and practice through translational studies and a framework of culturally competent care.

Jai Raccioppi

Biomedical Engineering, University of Florida



B.S., Biomedical Engineering, Stevenson University

Research Interest

Jai researches the effects of traumatic brain injuries on neurodegenerative disorders. His goal is to advance the research on how tau proteins spread and tangle after phosphorylation. This research will benefit society by raising awareness of the origin and progression of neurodegenerative disorders.

Alexandra Reid

Neuroscience, University of Florida



B.S., Food Sciences, Florida A&M University
M.S., Medical Sciences, University of Florida

Research Interest

Alexandra's research aims to enhance immunotherapies for brain cancer. Specifically, she is investigating the neuro-immune-tumor axis in the context of glioblastoma (GBM). GBM poses treatment barriers, such as tumor heterogeneity and an immunosuppressive tumor microenvironment, and Alexandra believes that understanding the inter-workings of the neuro-immune-tumor axis may aid in the development of more efficient immunotherapies.

Leanett Reinoso

Clinical Psychology, Florida International University



B.A., Psychology, Florida International University

Research Interest

Leanett's research is aimed at enhancing mental health access for children in diverse populations. She focuses on community-based support and tailored interventions for socially, culturally, and economically diverse children. By studying multifaceted factors that influence well-being and implementing community-based interventions, she hopes to expand access to mental health services and promote healthier futures for vulnerable populations.

Simona Rivero

Mass Communication, University of Florida



B.S., Telecommunication, University of Florida
M.A., Mass Communication, University of Florida

Research Interest

Simona's research interests include social media, media psychology, and artificial intelligence (AI). Her experience as a media practitioner provides unique insight, and she plans to qualitatively explore how AI-generated feeds impact the user experience of college-aged women of color. Long term, Simona will advance the communication field through instruction and research, paving the way for underrepresented women.

Zena Rodill

Public Health, University of South Florida



B.S., Behavioral Health, University of South Florida

Research Interest

Zena studies community-based behavioral healthcare needs and perspectives. Her main research interests include qualitative methodologies and prevention of co-occurring mental health, substance use, and trauma conditions. Her goal is to implement a community and family-based substance use disorder prevention program to address increased severity of addictive behaviors and to promote safety protocols regarding use among racial and ethnic minority families.

Gabriela Rodriguez

Biology, University of Miami



B.S., Biology, Microbiology, and Immunology, University of Miami

Research Interest

Gabriela researches Alzheimer's disease (AD) and related dementias and works to elucidate the relationship between immune cell dysfunction and disease onset and development. Her aim is to identify and isolate novel biomarkers for AD that would contribute to the development of early, non-invasive detection methods. This work will aid with early diagnosis and the timely integration of effective therapies.

Sophia Sanchez

English Literature, Florida State University



B.A., Psychology and English, Florida International University
M.A., English, Florida International University

Research Interest

Sophia's research is based in contemporary literature and media, particularly pandemic-era texts. Her goal is to expand her research as a professor, examining how the increasingly digital landscape has transformed the way society learns to produce/perceive contemporary literature and media and its "uses" – particularly as they relate to "being" and human connection, within and beyond the classroom.

Tomas Sanjuan

Sociology, Florida State University



B.S., Public Health, University of South Florida
B.A., Sociology, University of South Florida
M.A., Sociology, University of South Florida

Research Interest

Tomas researches social movements. He aims to understand how discourses on state and national policy agendas impact relations within partisan political movements. He is interested in studying how political movement reactions to media discourses on polarized policy issues strengthen or erode alliances and coalitions among movement actors or enable the formation of new relations.

Rosanyely Santana

Marine Science, University of South Florida



B.A., Natural and Applied Sciences, Florida International University

Research Interest

Rose's research seeks to understand how stressors related to climate change affect biodiversity in coastal ecosystems. Her primary goals are to examine human impacts on aquatic ecosystems and explore effective mitigation strategies. This work can help guide conservation efforts and influence policies that address these environmental challenges.

Matty Sey

Biomedical Engineering, Florida International University



B.S., Biomedical Engineering, Florida International University

Research Interest

Matty's research currently involves creating her own nanogels to help treat triple negative breast cancer cells. Her goal is to have a fully functional FDA approved nanogel and make it affordable for all health care providers to treat cancer patients. This research will benefit society by having nanogels that specifically target the unhealthy cells and promote better recovery.

Emily Spurgeon

Biology, Florida International University



B.S., Biological Science, California Polytechnic State University
M.S., Biology, California State University

Research Interest

Emily's research focuses on shark movement ecology. Her goal is to understand how a variety of shark species' movement and habitat utilization varies across geographic regions with varying levels of human impact. This research will help increase our understanding of how and why sharks are using different habitats to inform effective conservation and management decisions.

Tyriq Stewart

Public Health, Florida A&M University



B.S., Health Science, Florida A&M University
M.P.H., Public Health, Florida A&M University

Research Interest

Tyriq's research centers on mental health awareness and sexually transmitted disease and infection (STD/STI) prevention. His goal is to cultivate healthier communities by educating youth and promoting wellness. This research is expected to result in long-term positive outcomes, improving the quality of life for many.

DaSean Stokes

Music - Vocal Performance, Florida State University



B.S., Voice Performance, Central Methodist Univ.
M.M., Music Performance, University of Wisconsin
M.A., Arts Administ.-Music, Florida State Univ.

Research Interest

Stokes studies Black American opera composers (1870-present) and their inclusion at opera companies and universities. He also researches the pedagogical applications of measuring anatomical or perceived differences of the Black singing voice. His findings will be applied to an effective way to teach the Black voice, based on anatomical or culturally perceived differences and incorporating Black classical and non-classical singers.

Paola Sullivan

Youth Dev. and Family Sciences, University of Florida



B.S., Family, Youth and Community Sciences,
University of Florida

Research Interest

Paola researches the forces that affect identity and development in marginalized youth, particularly Latino children. She is excited to use psychometric principles to refine scales for children, ensuring cultural relevance, reliability, and significance in research. Her goal is to improve the well-being and personal growth of underrepresented minority children using evidence-based interventions and youth participatory action research approaches.

India Woods

Higher Education, Florida State University



B.A., Political Science, Bethune-Cookman University
M.A.S.S., Public Administration, Florida A&M University

Research Interest

India's research focuses on barriers faced by underrepresented minorities (URMs) admitted to Research 1 universities. Her goal is to work with student success initiatives at a college or university to ensure increased access and opportunities in higher education for URM scholars. This research will benefit society by increasing URM admission and success in undergraduate and graduate school.

Catherine Young

School and Counseling Psychology
Florida State University



B.S., Psychology, Florida A&M University
M.S.W., Social Work, Florida State University

Research Interest

Catherine is passionate about equity in education and will focus on researching school-based interventions to alleviate the effects of adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) on minority youth. Her goal is to develop evidence-based strategies that foster resilience, promote mental health, and enhance academic outcomes, ensuring every child has the opportunity to thrive despite challenges.

McKenzie Zapata

Earth Systems Science, Florida International University



B.S., Biology, Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi
M.S., Marine Biology and Ecology, University of Miami

Research Interest

McKenzie's research focuses on the impacts of human-induced and natural disturbances on marine organisms. Her research is comprehensive, investigating fish behavior, populations, and communities and will explore fish interactions with ecosystem processes, particularly reactions to various disturbances. Additionally, she will involve anglers in scientific research to gain insights into their knowledge and perspectives.

Sophia Ziemer

English, Florida State University



B.A., English, Florida State University
M.A., English, Florida State University

Research Interest

Sophia's research interests lie at the intersection of global rhetorics and cultural identity. Her goal is to reconnect with her heritage and study/define/complicate the intricacies of Ecuadorian rhetoric. As the field of global rhetorical studies continues to grow, this research will help expand the study of underrepresented indigenous Hispanic communities' unique communicative and rhetorical practices.

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NOTES

THE MCKNIGHT DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM

THE FOURTH DECADE OF EXCELLENCE



2024 NEW FELLOWS' POLICY MANUAL

HISTORICAL OVERVIEW OF THE FLORIDA EDUCATION FUND

The Florida Education Fund (FEF) was funded initially by a major grant from the McKnight Foundation of Minneapolis, Minnesota, and, subsequently, by a challenge grant from the Foundation, which required matching funds from the State of Florida. As a not-for-profit corporation established in 1984, the FEF has provided a means of ensuring educational opportunities for historically underrepresented individuals. This quasi-public entity, with a statewide mission and national impact, was originally known as the McKnight Programs in Higher Education. In its early years, FEF was administered by the Florida Association of Colleges and Universities, which served as the forerunner to the FEF.

FLORIDA EDUCATION FUND PROGRAMS

McKnight Doctoral Fellowship. The program increases the pool of minorities with Ph.D.'s in an effort to diversify college and university faculty. As partner and facilitator, the FEF works with doctoral degree-granting universities to recruit, retain and graduate students pursuing Ph.D.'s. Each year, the FEF awards up to 50 Fellowships. Since 1984, the FEF has awarded 1,641 Fellowships, and 1,061 Fellows have received their Ph.D.'s. A total of 371 Fellows are currently matriculating, and the program maintains an outstanding retention rate of 87 percent.

McKnight Junior Faculty Development Fellowship. The program encourages excellence in teaching and research by women, African Americans, Hispanics, and Native Americans. To date, the FEF has awarded 258 Fellowships. At least 68 Fellows have obtained tenure and/or promotion, and 38 Fellows have completed their doctoral degrees.

Centers of Excellence. The program identifies and motivates historically disadvantaged elementary and secondary students to subscribe to individual and group motivation, academic skill development, cultural enrichment, career awareness and increased exposure to higher education. Ten Centers of Excellence operate throughout the State. More than 22,000 students have been inducted into the National Achievers Society, and more than 21,600 students have participated in the Annual Brain Bowl Competitions in History & Culture, Mathematics, Writing, Speech, Word Definition and Coding.

College Board and Community Partnerships. The FEF's partnerships with The College Board, Microsoft and several community-focused entities were formed to enable the FEF to provide supplemental learning experiences for Florida elementary and secondary students in underserved communities. Through SAT strategies courses, after school and summer enrichment pre-college programs, and young adult workforce education, students improve skills in science, technology, mathematics, reading, and writing; prepare for standardized tests; and enhance their eligibility for acceptance into college or advanced training programs. Since 2001, 6,776 students have taken FEF SAT strategies courses, 5,239 have completed FEF intensive summer pre-college and tech industry certification programs, and 1,883 have participated in FEF's CodeMasters after school program.

THE MCKNIGHT DOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP

- **Stipends, Tuition, and Fees:** For up to five years, the Fellowship pays a \$13,000 annual stipend and up to \$5,000.00 for annual tuition and fees. During the first three years of the Fellowship, the FEF pays all stipends, while the participating universities pay the stipends during the fourth and fifth years.
- **Dissertation and Conference Research and Travel Grants:** To promote professional development and completion of the Ph.D. program, the FEF, in its discretion, awards grants to help defray the cost of writing a dissertation, presenting articles or papers at professional conferences, participating in short term special training programs or institutes, and collecting certain types of data. To apply for a grant, submit a proposal to the MDF Program Manager.
- **FEF Conferences, Workshops, and Institutes:** To promote professional development and completion of the Ph.D. program, the FEF pays for all travel, lodging and meals associated with Fellows' participation in meetings presented by the FEF, as follows:

New Fellows' Orientation (early August) - Mandatory

Objectives:

- Introduce newly selected Fellows to the MDF Program and welcome them to the McKnight network
- Identify and explain best practices for completing Ph.D. programs
- Demonstrate correlation between graduate courses, comprehensive exams, and dissertation research
- Introduce newly selected Fellows to key graduate school personnel and support services

Attendance: New and matriculating Fellows, other graduate students, MDF graduates, university professors and administrators

Annual Fellows Meeting (late November) - Mandatory

Objectives:

- Provide detailed guidance for completing doctoral degrees and securing professional appointments
- Provide guidance on preparing for comprehensive exams
- Present workshops on developing grant and dissertation proposals
- Advise best practices for publishing articles and manuscripts
- Expose Fellows to cutting edge research
- Introduce Fellows to potential employers
- Offer solutions for conflict resolution
- Foster networking and collaboration
- Celebrate outstanding mentors and new graduates

Attendance: Matriculating Fellows, other graduate students, MDF graduates, university professors and administrators

Mid-Year Research and Writing Conference (mid-February) - Mandatory

Objectives:

- Provide opportunities for Fellows to
 - Present research and receive professional public critique
 - Consult one-on-one with professional editors
 - Prepare for comprehensive exams
 - Receive advice on how to develop grant and dissertation proposals
 - Learn the intricacies of the publication process
 - Collaborate with peers and professionals
 - Interact with potential employers

Attendance: Matriculating Fellows, other graduate students, MDF graduates, university professors and administrators

Summer Research and Writing Institute (late July)

Objectives:

- Provide opportunities for Fellows to
 - Finalize articles and manuscripts for publication
 - Finalize or revise dissertation chapters
 - Receive training on software used for data analysis
 - Receive advice on how to develop grant and dissertation proposals
 - Train for dissertation defense
 - Collaborate with peers and professionals
 - Network with acquisition editors from commercial and university presses

Attendance: Advanced matriculating Fellows, other graduate students, university professors, and editors

Writing Workshops and Editorial Assistance: To assist with publishing articles and manuscripts and writing the dissertation, the FEF provides free live and online writing workshops as well as editorial assistance.

Counseling and Conflict Resolution: To enhance your ability to complete your Ph.D. programs within a reasonable length of time, the FEF offers free conflict resolution workshops and one-on-one academic counseling.

POLICIES AFFECTING MCKNIGHT DOCTORAL FELLOWS

The FEF Board of Directors has developed and approved the following policy statements to clarify issues that have arisen since the Program's inception:

Policy #01: Supplementary Institutional Funding for McKnight Doctoral Fellows

Although a McKnight Fellow may not receive more than one Fellowship at a time, with FEF's written approval, a university may award a Fellow supplemental funding, as long as the award does not require the Fellow to work during his/her first academic year absent extenuating circumstances. The FEF encourages universities to award supplemental funding sparingly, the overall objective being to support as many students as possible to meet the goal of increasing African American and Hispanic doctoral student enrollment.

When a university desires to provide supplemental funding to a McKnight Doctoral Fellow, the university must forward a request for approval, accompanied by the appropriate justification, to the FEF Office. Once approved, the institution may award funding.

Policy #02: Travel Funds Available for McKnight Doctoral Fellows

Each year, the FEF makes limited funds available to McKnight Doctoral Fellows for travel to conferences and symposia to present research findings and enhance professional development. In most cases, the FEF expects the participating institution to match FEF funding dollar for dollar. Where the institution cannot provide matching funds, the FEF, in special cases, may pay the total cost. The FEF considers funding requests in the order submitted until the annual fund is depleted.

Policy #03: Admission and Satisfactory Progress Measures

All Fellows must know and fully understand the requirements for earning their degrees, including the measures universities will use to determine satisfactory progress at each step of the process toward advancing to candidacy. Fellows will find the details of these requirements in university graduate student handbooks, as well as within the unique policies that may govern individual programs.

Policy #04: Fellows' Compliance with Military Obligations

Whenever possible, the FEF will attempt to intercede on behalf of a Fellow required to leave school to meet a military obligation. The FEF first will attempt to secure an educational deferment for the Fellow. If the FEF cannot secure a deferment, the FEF will approve the Fellow's leave-of-absence.

Policy #05: Need to Carry a Full Academic Load Each Semester

Each Fellow must carry a full academic load each semester. However, a Fellow may seek exemption from this policy for the semester prior to taking his/her comprehensive examinations, if he/she has completed his/her required course work. To receive this exemption, the Fellow's university must verify that the Fellow has completed all required course work.

Policy #06: Mandatory Conference Attendance

Barring personal emergency, academic examination, out-of-town presentation at another conference, etc., the FEF expects each matriculating Fellow to attend his/her New Fellows' Orientation, each Annual Fellows Meeting, and

each annual Mid-Year Research and Writing Conference. For excused absence from a mandatory FEF conference, submit a request in writing to the FEF.

Policy #07: Mandatory Grant Proposal Submission

Each matriculating Fellow must complete and submit to a potential funder a proposal for a dissertation research grant no later than one academic semester after (1) the Fellow has satisfactorily completed all required courses and comprehensive examinations; and (2) the Fellow's dissertation proposal/prospectus has been accepted by his/her full dissertation committee.

Policy #08: Mandatory Report of Service

Each matriculating Fellow must report to the FEF all paid or unpaid employment and/or volunteer service provided to or on behalf of any Florida college, university, public agency or not-for-profit corporation. This service may include, but is not limited to, serving as an instructor, lecturer, teaching assistant, research assistant, graduate assistant, workshop presenter or facilitator, program coordinator or administrator, consultant, tutor, or guest speaker.

Policy #09: Mandatory Report of Supplementary Funding

Each matriculating Fellow must report to the FEF the amount and source of any grant, fellowship or monetary award received from a source other than the FEF, including, but not limited to, travel, equipment and research grants.

Legislative Proviso

Pursuant to State of Florida legislative proviso, the following Fellowship requirements shall apply: As the student nears completion of the degree program, (1) the student shall be aided by the Board in identifying all positions open in the State of Florida at four-year higher education institutions for tenure track and full-time faculty positions and for post-doctorate positions in the student's degree area; (2) the student shall provide evidence to the Board that he or she has submitted a completed application for all positions so identified, as well as having expended his or her own efforts to identify such positions within the State of Florida; (3) if the student is offered a competitive faculty position with a Florida four-year institution, and does not accept the position, then the student must repay the amount of the Fellowship received; and (4) if the student accepts the position and teaches in Florida, and subsequently leaves the state, then the cost of the Fellowship which must be repaid shall be reduced at the rate of one year's forgiveness for each year the student remained in that or a similar position at a Florida four-year institution, until the number of years the student received a Fellowship has been equaled.

STRATEGIES FOR SURVIVAL

1. Begin the committee selection process early. Carefully select your committee chairperson then the members of your committee. Make certain your committee members possess research interests similar to yours and that most of them have earned tenure.
2. Plan a program of study. Perfect your study habits. Join study groups, and upgrade your note-taking, reading and writing skills.
3. Develop your own library. Do not rely on others for core curriculum books.
4. Buy the publication manual used in your field (APA, Chicago, etc.).
5. Avoid plagiarism by never deliberately presenting someone else's words, ideas, or other material as your own and always appropriately crediting the original source.
6. Be visible and active in your department, both academically and socially. Hone your collaboration skills.

7. Take advantage of the support systems within your department, your college, and the McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program.
8. Participate in good, active leisure activities to reduce stress.
9. Avoid receiving an “I” (incomplete) grade in a class, which, in subsequent terms, may cause you to become overwhelmed by the competing demands of old and new courses.
10. Contact FEF for approval prior to accepting employment. Do not allow work to interfere with your academic program.
11. Budget your time wisely. Remember that **your FIRST priority is your academic program.**
12. If conflict occurs, strategize and weigh the consequences carefully. If you must engage in conflict, figure out how to win the battle without losing the war. Form alliances.
13. Do not hesitate or be embarrassed to seek help when you need it. **Ask for help early!**

PARTICIPATING FLORIDA UNIVERSITIES

Nine Florida universities participate in the McKnight Doctoral Fellowship Program. Through their graduate schools, they not only join in the process of selecting Fellows, but also provide academic and financial counseling to matriculating Fellows. We recommend you visit the graduate dean’s office to learn about the services the graduate school offers and acquaint yourself with your school’s MDF liaison, as listed below:

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MCKNIGHT DOCTORAL GRADUATES

Name	Institution	Discipline	Place of Employment
1988			
Dr. Faith D. Berry (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	English	
Dr. Yvette R. Harris	UF	Psychology	Miami University (OH)
Dr. Patricia J. Trice	FSU	Music	Hillsborough Community College (<i>retired</i>)
1989			
Dr. Linda Mack Brewer	UF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Dar Al-Hekma University (Saudi Arabia)
Dr. Gerri Elie	UF	Psychology	Dillard University (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Tommie Tonea H. Stewart	FSU	Theatre	Alabama State University (<i>retired</i>)
1990			
Dr. Valliere R. Richard Auzenne	FSU	Mass Communications	Florida State University (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. John DeCatrel	UCF	Engineering	Florida State University (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. N. Horace Mann (<i>deceased</i>)	UM	Engineering	
Dr. Myron C. Munday (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Music	
Dr. Hiram C. Powell	FSU	Music	Bethune Cookman University (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Clarence W. Thomas	UF	Mass Communications	Virginia Commonwealth University (VA)
Dr. Roberta M. Troy	UF	Biology	Tuskegee University; Bethune-Cookman University
Dr. Judith Walker	UM	Psychology	University of Mount Union (OH)
Dr. Anitra Wilson	UF	Engineering	Louisiana State University (LA)
Dr. Latresia A. Wilson	UF	Engineering	Wuesthoff Medical Center - Melbourne
Dr. Roderick Wilson	UF	Engineering	Children's Peace Initiative
1991			
Dr. Deborah A. Brunson	FSU	Mass Communications	University of North Carolina Wilmington (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Angela Campbell	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Majorie G. Campbell (<i>deceased</i>)	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Michael F. Chappell	FSU	Education	LCG Education Associates, LLC
Dr. Dayna Clarke-Cameron	UF	Pharmacy	
Dr. Marion G. Harmon	FSU	Computer Science	Florida A&M University
Dr. Gregory L. Harris	UF	Chemistry	Thermo Fisher Scientific
Dr. Dawn J. Holmes	FSU	Computer Science	
Dr. Marcus Iszard	FAMU	Pharmacy	Iszard Investigational Pharmacology/Toxicology Services, LLC
Dr. Joyce Lee	FAMU	Pharmacy	
Dr. Yvonne E. McIntosh (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Foreign Language	
Dr. Anna L. Ramsey-Ewing	UF	Medical Sciences	National Institutes of Health, NCATS
Dr. Robert Williams	FAMU	Pharmacy	
1992			
Dr. Rosonald R. Bell	FAMU	Pharmacy	Epizyme; Viridian Therapeutics
Dr. Sonja Ebron	UF	Engineering	Courtroom5
Dr. Carl B. Goodman	FAMU	Pharmacy	Bowie State University (MD)
Dr. Renard F. Harlow (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Mass Communications	
Dr. Michael E. Hodge	UF	Sociology	Atlanta University Center Consortium, Inc
Dr. Brenda Jarmon	FSU	Sociology	Sowing Seeds of Faith
Dr. Gary Paul	UF	Political Science	Florida A&M University
Dr. Walter J. Pierce	Barry	Sociology	Barry University
1993			
Dr. Eloise Adams	UF	Biology	Norfolk Collegiate School (Virginia) (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Thomasenia L. Adams	UF	Education	University of Florida
Dr. Janice Allen-Kelsey	UF	Sociology	Bethune-Cookman University
Dr. Emma J. Brown	UF	Nursing	University of Kentucky (KY) (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Janie L. Canty-Mitchell	UM	Nursing	LeadersCare, LLC
Dr. Lynne H. Claye	FAMU	Pharmacy	The Janssen Pharmaceutical Companies of Johnson & Johnson
Dr. Patricia S. Darlington	UF	Mass Communications	Florida Atlantic University (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Michelle R. Dunlap	UF	Psychology	Connecticut College (CT) (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Patricia Hilliard-Nunn (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Mass Communications	
Dr. Delores C. James	UF	Health Sciences	University of Florida
Dr. Vernetta Johnson-Sabb (<i>deceased</i>)	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Carolyn D. Jones	FAMU	Pharmacy	Otsuka American Pharmaceutical
Dr. Ivy D. Locke (<i>deceased</i>)	UF	Business	
Dr. Harriet A. Roland	UF	Mass Communications	South Carolina State University (SC)

Name	Institution	Discipline	Place of Employment
1993 (Cont.)			
Dr. Catherine M. Waters	UM	Nursing	University of California, San Francisco (CA)
Dr. Dave D. Weatherspoon	UF	Food and Resource Economics	Michigan State University (MI)
Dr. Sally K. Williams	UF	Food Science	University of Florida (<i>retired</i>)
1994			
Dr. Craig Bythewood	UF	Business	Self-employed
Dr. Fran T. Close	FSU	Pharmacy	Florida A&M University
Dr. Mark C. Dawkins	FSU	Business	University of North Florida
Dr. Lesley-Mae A. Foulkes-Jamison	UF	Psychology	Foulkes-Jamison, Lesley Ph.D.
Dr. Vikki T. Gaskin-Butler	UF	Psychology	University of Central Florida
Dr. Richard D. Gragg III	FAMU	Pharmacy	Florida A&M University
Dr. Simone Heyliger	FAMU	Pharmacy	Hampton University (VA)
Dr. Jacqueline F. Huey	FSU	Criminology	Indiana University Northwest (IN)
Dr. David J. Jamison	UF	Anthropology	
Dr. Charlotte Johnson-Davis	FSU	Psychology	Florida Department of Education
Dr. Raymond L. Major	UF	Information Sciences	Virginia Tech (VA)
Dr. Frederic D. McKenzie	UCF	Engineering	Old Dominion University (VA)
Dr. Tangela D. Poole-Harris	FAMU	Pharmacy	Magellan Health Services
Dr. Kenyatta O. Rivers (<i>deceased</i>)	UF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	
Dr. Darrell Rodgers	FAMU	Environmental Toxicology	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Dr. Jeremy Smith	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Lillie D. Ward	FSU	Computer Science	Fort Valley State University (GA)
Dr. Roderick D. Waters (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	History	
1995			
Dr. James T. Brown	UCF	Engineering	University of Central Florida
Dr. Kathy M. Cousins-Cooper	USF	Education	North Carolina A&T State University (NC)
Dr. Frank Crosby	UF	Mathematics	Naval Surface Warfare Center; Florida State University - Panama City
Dr. Mark A. Dexter	USF	Engineering	Samsung Electronics America
Dr. Jovier D. Evans	UM	Psychology	National Institute of Mental Health
Dr. Charles W. Ford, Jr. (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Computer Science	
Dr. Peter V. Green	FSU	Physics	
Dr. Nikitah O. Imani	UF	Sociology	University of Nebraska-Omaha (NE)
Dr. Charlie M. Lollis	UM	Psychology	Sapience Life Solutions
Dr. Ernest L. McDuffie	FIT	Computer Science	The Global McDuffie Group
Dr. Carriella H. Nance	FSU	Psychology	Stetson University
Dr. Alphonso Smith	USF	Education	
Dr. Gail A. Taylor	FSU	Business	Dartmouth College (NH)
Dr. Frank D. Williams	UF	Music	Strayer University - Savannah (GA)
Dr. Jacqueline A. Williams	FSU	Business	North Carolina A&T State University (NC)
1996			
Dr. Russell Benjamin	UF	Political Science	Northeastern Illinois University (IL)
Dr. Raymond R. Carthy	UF	Biology	University of Florida
Dr. Kevin K. Green	USF	Engineering	NVIDIA Corporation
Dr. Sybil K. Johnson	FSU	Theatre	Hillsborough Community College
Dr. Ronnie King	USF	Computer Science	Bethune-Cookman University (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Cynthia McCleod-Fletcher	UM	Nursing	
Dr. Waltke Paulding	UF	Physiology	Xavier University (OH)
Dr. Howard S. Rasheed (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Business	
Dr. Geraldine H. Seay	UF	English	Florida A&M University/B Sharp's Jazz Cafe
Dr. Sharon D. White	FSU	Business	North Carolina Central University (NC)
Dr. Elliott Williams	UF	Operations Research	
1997			
Dr. Millicent E. Brown	FSU	History	Clafin University (SC) (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Gregory Chenier	UM	Political Science	
Dr. Billy R. Close	FSU	Criminology	Florida State University
Dr. Shawnta S. Friday-Stroud	FIU	Business	Florida A&M University Foundation
Dr. Sean L. Jones	UF	Engineering	National Science Foundation
Dr. Natalie R. King-Pedroso	FSU	English	Florida A&M University
Dr. Monifa A. Love Asante	FSU	English	Bowie State University (MD)
Dr. Judith R. McCalla	UM	Psychology	Judith Rey McCalla
Dr. Rita C. McMillan	UF	Business	Virginia Intermont College (VA)
Dr. Arturo Rankin	UF	Engineering	NASA - California Institute of Technology- Jet Propulsion Lab

Name	Institution	Discipline	Place of Employment
1997 (Cont.)			
Dr. Delia F. Olufokunbi Sam	UF	Psychology	NIH Center for Scientific Review
Dr. Vincent Snipes	FSU	Education	Winston-Salem State University (NC)
Dr. Sonya F. Stephens	FIT	Mathematics	Florida A&M University
Dr. Floyd N. Tyler (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Business	
Dr. Cheryl E. Williams	FSU	Mass Communications	Concordia University (<i>retired</i>)
1998			
Dr. Deborah A. Austin	USF	Mass Communications	REACHUP, Inc.
Dr. Michael L. Branham	UF	Chemistry	Biodata
Dr. Gloria A. Brinson-Harris	UF	Psychology	Womens Health at Waters Edge
Dr. Francis Daniel	FSU	Business	Belmont University - Nashville (TN)
Dr. Phillip G. Eaglin	FSU	Education	Code.org; Changing Expectations
Dr. Oliver W. Edwards	UF	Psychology	University of Central Florida
Dr. Bobby Granville	FSU	Computer Science	Florida A&M University
Dr. Gina C. Green	USF	Business	Baylor University (TX) (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Phyllis Y. Keys	FSU	Business	Morgan State University (MD)
Dr. Sharon D. Morrison	UF	Public Health	University of North Carolina - Greensboro (NC)
Dr. Lisa R. Raiford	UF	Education	Suncoast High School (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Michael L. Washington	USF	Engineering	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Dr. Jacqueline E. Wood	UF	English	University of Missouri-Kansas City (MO)
1999			
Dr. Clayton J. Clark II	UF	Engineering	North Carolina A&T State University (NC)
Dr. Melinda D. Collins	UM	Psychology	Psychological Services of Jacksonville
Dr. Lincoln H. Forbes	UM	Engineering	Florida International University (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Rosalyn Howard (<i>deceased</i>)	UF	Anthropology	
Dr. Beda Jean-Francois	UM	Psychology	National Institute for Complimentary and Integrative Health
Dr. Chawne M. Kimber	UF	Mathematics	Washington and Lee University (VA)
Dr. William Lewis, Jr.	FSU	Information Sciences	Terry College of Business (GA)
Dr. Palmer B. McDonald	FSU	Business	
Dr. Tarshia L. Stanley	UF	English	Wagner College (NY)
Dr. Tommie Y. Turner	FAMU	Environmental Toxicology	Harris Stowe State University (MO)
Dr. Tina M. Williams	FAMU	Pharmacy	
2000			
Dr. Diane S. Allen-Gipson	FAMU	Pharmacy	University of South Florida
Dr. Tanya L. Benford	USF	Business	Florida Gulf Coast University
Dr. Wendy Coleman	FSU	Theatre	Alabama State University (AL)
Dr. Sue C. Collins	FSU	Criminology	Georgia State University (GA) (<i>retired</i>)
Dr. Samuel J. Eaves	FSU	Computer Science	Voloridge Investment Management
Dr. Kimberly M. Ellis	FSU	Business	Florida Atlantic University
Dr. Nathaniel Johnson	UM	Economics	Florida A&M University
Dr. Arnold C. Lewis, Jr.	FSU	Political Science	William Paterson University (NJ)
Dr. Robert R. Lindsey	UF	Health Sciences	Johnson C. Smith University (NC)
Dr. Dawn M. Martin	UM	Engineering	NASA/Kennedy Space Center
Dr. Tanya J. Quille	UM	Psychology	Self-employed
Dr. Winifred D. Scott	FSU	Business	California State University San Bernardino (CA)
Dr. James L. Taylor, Jr. (<i>deceased</i>)	FSU	Theatre	
Dr. Chanequa J. Walker-Barnes	UM	Psychology	Columbia Theological Seminary (GA)
Dr. Mary M. Williams	UM	Sociology	Clafin University (SC)
Dr. Tiffani L. Williams	UCF	Computer Science	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (IL)
Dr. James J. Wilson	FSU	Political Science	U.S. Federal Elections Commission
2001			
Dr. Selina F. Darling-Reed	FAMU	Pharmacy	Florida A&M University
Dr. Vallie M. Holloway	FAMU	Pharmacy	Mayo Clinic
Dr. Karl G. Lawrence	FSU	Business	Excelsior College (NY)
Dr. C. Michele Rice	FIU	Sociology	International Baccalaureate Organization
Dr. Aaron L. Robinson	FSU	Engineering	University of Memphis (TN)
Dr. Leroy Robinson, Jr.	USF	Business	University of Houston-Clear Lake (TX)
Dr. Annette E. Singleton Jackson	FSU	Business	International Education/Chafin Univer
Dr. Felicia Taylor	UF	Education	Jones International University (CO)
Dr. Jerry S. Turner	FIT	Mathematics	Edward Waters College
Dr. Fern Jureidini Webb	USF	Public Health	University of Florida

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2002			
Dr. Michael I. Arrington	USF	Mass Communications	Sam Houston State University (TX)
Dr. Lori P. Boyer	UF	Political Science	
Dr. Kathryn E. Morris Burgess	UM	English	Self-employed
Dr. Lisa C. Campbell	UF	Psychology	East Carolina University (NC)
Dr. Linda M. Clemons	UF	Education	Santa Fe College
Dr. Jaumeiko J. Coleman	UF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Atlanta Speech School
Dr. Jonathan Gayles	USF	Anthropology	Georgia State University (GA)
Dr. Patricia L. Reeves	FSU	Music	Self-employed
Dr. Rheeda L. Walker	FSU	Psychology	University of Houston (TX)
Dr. Mark H. Weatherspoon	USF	Engineering	Florida State University
2003			
Dr. Kimberly Black	FSU	Information Sciences	Chicago State University (IL)
Dr. Deirdra N. Chester	FIU	Dietetics and Nutrition	U.S. Department of Agriculture
Dr. Max R. Francois	USF	Public Health	Naval Health Clinic - Corpus Christi
Dr. Charity A. Freeman	USF	English	Hillsborough Community College
Dr. Jacquelyn D. McMillan	FSU	Sociology	Florida A&M University
Dr. Karen E. Morrison	UF	History	
Dr. Kimberly D. Robinson	UF	English	Government of Bermuda
Dr. Ahsha Tribble	FSU	Meteorology	
Dr. Michelle D. Walker	FAMU	Pharmacy	U.S. Food & Drug Administration
Dr. Tamara D. Warner	UF	Psychology	Humantias, Inc./Job Corps
Dr. Mary J. Woolridge	UCF	Education	MJWoolridge Consulting/ Western Governors University (UT)
2004			
Dr. Garry L. Adams	FSU	Business	Auburn University (AL)
Dr. Damon U. Bryant	UCF	Psychology	Morgan State University (MD), XChainz
Dr. Yvonne J. Combs	UF	Sociology	The BAE Company/Evergreen Seminars
Dr. Larry D. Davis, Jr.	UCF	Engineering	Most Valuable Recruit/XChainZ/Aixora.ai
Dr. Lawrence O. Flowers	UF	Biology	Saint Augustine's University (NC)
Dr. Deirdre C. Gonsalves-Jackson	FIT	Biology	Virginia Wesleyan University (VA)
Dr. Tameka B. Hobbs	FSU	History	Florida Memorial University
Dr. Willie A. Hobbs III	FSU	Humanities	Florida Memorial University
Dr. Joanne T. Hyppolite	UM	African American and Caribbean Cultural Studies	Smithsonian Institution, National Museum of African American History
Dr. Antoinette Jackson	UF	Anthropology	University of South Florida
Dr. Morgan L. Johnson	UM	Computer Science	
Dr. Wanda Jones	UF	Biology	National Geographic Channel
Dr. Elgin L. Klugh	USF	Anthropology	Coppin State University (MD)
Dr. Nyamekye A. Laird	FSU	Psychology	Laird Khepera Institute
Dr. Dionne Y. Mayhew-Hines	UF	Pharmacy	
Dr. Pamela R. Moses-Snipes	USF	Education	Winston-Salem State University (NC)
Dr. Kersuze Simeon-Jones	UM	Humanities	University of South Florida
Dr. Antoinette Smith	USF	Business	Florida International University
Dr. Joe L. Sweet III	FAMU	Pharmacy	Bainbridge High School
Dr. Tavaris J. Thomas	FSU	Computer Science	Amazon Web Services (AWS)
Dr. Laurel E. Thompson	Barry	Sociology	National Association of Social Workers - NYC Chapter and School Social Work
Dr. Sonja A. Trent-Brown	USF	Psychology	Hope College (MI)
Dr. Claude Villiers	UF	Engineering	Florida Gulf Coast University
2005			
Dr. Afua O. Arhin	UF	Nursing	Fayetteville State University (NC)
Dr. Joi W. Bulls	FSU	Human Science/Family Relations	University of North Carolina - Greensboro (NC)
Dr. Anthony L. Burrow	FIU	Psychology	Bronfenbrenner Center for Translational Research and Cornell University (NY)
Dr. Sheron A. Fraser-Burgess	UM	Philosophy	Ball State University (IN)
Dr. Angela T. Hall	FSU	Business	
Dr. Tiffany N. Hinton	UF	English	The English Professional
Dr. Mtreacia A. James	FSU	Business	St. Bonaventure University (NY)
Dr. Inneke M. Johnson	FAMU	Pharmacy	North Carolina Central University (NC)
Dr. Versie Johnson-Mallard	USF	Nursing	Kent State University (OH)
Dr. Elda Kanzki-Veloso	Barry	Sociology	Nova Southeastern University
Dr. Nigel I. Malcolm	USF	Mass Communications	Keene State College (NH)
Dr. Arlesia Mathis	USF	Public Health	Florida A&M University
Dr. Judith E. Samuel	FSU	Human Science/Family Relations	Family Matters Parent Training & Information Center

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2006			
Dr. Tabia Henry Akintobi	USF	Public Health	Morehouse School of Medicine (GA)
Dr. Rommel C. Bain	FSU	Statistics	Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
Dr. Neporcha T. Cone	USF	Education	Middle Tennessee State University (TN)
Dr. Tarsha N. Dargan	FSU	Engineering	Florida A&M University
Dr. Johnny A. Davis	UF	Biology	Procter & Gamble
Dr. Warren L. Davis IV	FSU	Computer Science	Sandia National Lab
Dr. Jeanean J. Davis-Street	USF	Business	Bridgewater State University (MA)
Dr. Renee F. Hill	FSU	Information Sciences	University of Maryland (MD)
Dr. Mark Howse	FSU	Education	Morehouse School of Medicine (GA)
Dr. Monica A. James	UF	Engineering	The Lubrizol Corporation
Dr. Jermaine L. Kennedy	USF	Physics	U.S. Navy, Naval Surface Warfare Center Panama City Division
Dr. Rebekah Lane	FSU	Education	Tallahassee Community College
Dr. Kimberly D. Leby	FAMU	Pharmacy	Lane College (TN)
Dr. Margaret Lyles	FAMU	Pharmacy	
Dr. Chavonda J. Mills	FAMU	Pharmacy	Georgia Gwinnett College (GA)
Dr. Russell M. Price	FSU	Business	Howard University (D.C.)
Dr. Tamika R. Sanchez-Jones	UM	Nursing	Sacred Heart University (CT)
Dr. Todd E. White	UF	Medical Sciences	Morehouse School of Medicine (GA)
Dr. Ceceile Wight-Mason	FAMU	Pharmacy	Columbia Southern University (AL)
Dr. LaRicka R. Wingate	FSU	Psychology	Oklahoma State University (OK)
2007			
Dr. Elizabeth Delancy	FSU	Humanities	Tallahassee Community College
Dr. Maxine Downs	UF	Anthropology	Yanga Productions and U.S. Government
Dr. Vaneesha R. Boney Dutra	FSU	Business	University of Denver (CO)
Dr. Michelle P. Ferrier	UCF	Mass Communications	Media Innovation Collaboratory and IAWRT
Dr. Deborah Johnson-Simon	UF	Anthropology	Museology Institute; Savannah State
Dr. Perry Kyles	FIU	History	Morgan State University (MD)
Dr. Erick N. Maxwell	USF	Engineering	Georgia Institute of Technology (GA)
Dr. Sybil P. Rosado	UF	Anthropology	Benedict College (SC), The Law Office of Sybil D. Rosado, LLC
Dr. Shalonda K. Slater	UF	Psychology	Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center (OH)
Dr. Esther Swilley	FSU	Business	Kansas State University (KS)
Dr. Curmeisha L. Bryant Terry	USF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	
Dr. Anita P. Wholuba	FSU	English	Florida Southern College & University of South Florida
2008			
Dr. Ayeisha A. Brinson	UM	Economics	U.S. Department of Treasury
Dr. Donald W. Bryant	UCF	Mathematics	Indian River State College
Dr. Lonnie L. Bryant	USF	Business	University of Tampa
Dr. Rasheeta D. Chandler	USF	Nursing	Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing at Emory University (GA)
Dr. Jennifer B. Collins	FAU	Business	Florida A&M University
Dr. Betty Gheeta-Brener	UM	Physiology	
Dr. Shelby Gilbert	FIU	Public Health	Florida Gulf Coast University
Dr. Charlease P. Kelly-Jackson (deceased)	FIT	Biology	
Dr. Erika P. Knight	UF	Food and Resource Economics	Fort Valley State University (GA)
Dr. Nzinga O. Metzger	FSU	Anthropology	Florida A&M University
Dr. Ajani A. Ofunniyin	UF	Anthropology	American College of Building Arts (SC)
Dr. T. Nichole Phillips	UCF	Business	Shaw University (NC)
Dr. Guitele J. Rahill	FIU	Public Health	University of South Florida
Dr. Eryka Smith	UM	Sociology	Keiser University
Dr. JeffriAnne Wilder	UF	Sociology	National Center for Women & Information Technology
2009			
Dr. Nadine N. Bewry	USF	Medical Sciences	Sanofi
Dr. Juan D. Blandon	UCF	Physics	St. Thomas University
Dr. Marlo D. David	UF	English	Purdue University (IN)
Dr. Dominique D. Delalot	UF	Psychology	University of Michigan (MI)
Dr. Decia N. Dixon	USF	Psychology	The Parent Child Practice
Dr. Sandra E. Douchand-Brown	UM	Nursing	Associated Medical Managers
Dr. K. Natanya Duncan	UF	History	Queens College (NY)

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2009 (Cont.)			
Dr. Lamar J. Garnes	FSU	English	Florida A&M University
Dr. Colonie M. Gray	FIU	Psychology	U.S. Department of Education
Dr. Anna D. Green	FSU	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Atlanta Psychological Services
Dr. Deidra R. Hodges	USF	Engineering	University of Texas, El-Paso (TX)
Dr. Linda Hogans	Barry	Education	St.Petersburg College
Dr. Nkechi Ichite	FAMU	Pharmacy	Florida Bureau of Public Health Pharmacy
Dr. Phyllis D. Ivery	UF	Psychology	Self-employed
Dr. William L. Jeffries IV	UF	Sociology	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Dr. Nadia I. Johnson	UM	English	Castilleja School
Dr. Yelenis Mari	USF	Medical Sciences	Backman Coulter Diagnostics
Dr. Michael L. McCaskill	FAMU	Public Health	Tulane University (LA)
Dr. Ron Y. Myers	FIU	Education	Miami-Dade County Public Schools
Dr. Karen L. Pierre	UM	Sociology	Humana
Dr. Hassan S. Rasheed	UF	Engineering	Microsoft
Dr. Christopher R. Reid	UCF	Engineering	HFES - Human Factors and Ergonomics Society
Dr. Sabrina J. Robinson	USF	Nursing	Nova Southeastern University & Walden University
Dr. Basil A. Smith	FAMU	Pharmacy	Bayfront Hospital Port Charlotte
Dr. Brandi L. Tanner	USF	Psychology	Self-Employed
Dr. Jillian A. Tullis	USF	Mass Communications	University of San Diego (CA)
Dr. John T. Warford	UF	Geography	Deep South Center for Environmental Justice
Dr. Marilyn M. Williams	USF	Geography	U.S. Census Bureau
Dr. Tonjua Williams	Barry	Education	St. Petersburg College
2010			
Dr. Monique A. Bedasse-Samuda	UM	History	Washington University (MO)
Dr. Quenton Bonds	USF	Engineering	NASA - Goddard Space Flight Center / The Accelerated Destiny Initiative/
Dr. Chandre Butler (<i>deceased</i>)	UCF	Engineering	
Dr. Kelly O. Cowart	FSU	Business	University of South Florida Sarasota-Manatee
Dr. Camille R. Feanny	UF	Anthropology	CNN International
Dr. Kelly F. Gamble	FSU	Business	Valdosta State University (GA)
Dr. Archie B. Harmon, Jr.	FSU	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Washington University - St. Louis (MO)
Dr. Jessica C. Hill (Gonzalez)	FSU	Psychology	Utah Valley University (UT)
Dr. Daniel L. Hollar	FSU	Psychology	Bethune Cookman University
Dr. Yolaine (Yoli) Jeune-Smith	UF	Engineering	Cardinal Health
Dr. Jessica D. Jones	UF	Psychology	Duke University (NC)
Dr. Chiyon A. Mingo	USF	Aging Studies	Georgia State University (GA)
Dr. Shalewa A. Noel-Thomas	USF	Public Health	
Dr. Erlande Omisca	USF	Engineering	Florida Department of Health
Dr. Ophir Ortiz	USF	Engineering	New Jersey Center for Biomaterials
Dr. Raymond C. Ottinot	USF	Psychology	
Dr. Tameka C. Phillips	UF	Medical Sciences	National Institutes of Health- National Cancer Institute
Dr. Javier F. Pulecio	USF	Engineering	STEAMwhiz Innovation Lab
Dr. Patrice A. Reid	FIT	Psychology	Defense Language Office
Dr. Zulay H. Ritrosky	UCF	Nursing	Medical Anesthesia and Pain Management Consultants
Dr. Raymond J. Rodriguez	UM	Education	Orange County Public Schools
Dr. Larry H. Russell Jr.	FAMU	Pharmacy	University of The Bahamas
Dr. Jana M. Rutherford	FAU	Business	Barry University
Dr. Ameenah Shakir	UM	History	
Dr. Horacio Sierra	UF	Humanities	Bowie State University (MD)
Dr. Alisha Winn	USF	Anthropology	Palm Beach Atlantic University
2011			
Dr. Nicole S. Anderson	USF	Medical Sciences	University of South Florida
Dr. Christine A. Ajayi Beliard	FSU	Human Science/Family Relations	Nova Southeastern University
Dr. Charmane V. Caldwell	FSU	Engineering	Florida State University
Dr. Natalie E. Dopson Campuzano	UCF	Education	
Dr. Kelly E. Carter	USF	Business	Morgan State University (MD)
Dr. Latarsha R. Chisholm	UF	Public Health	University of Central Florida
Dr. Maritza E. Concha	UCF	Public Administration	University of Central Florida

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2011 (Cont.)			
Dr. Camille A. Daniels	USF	Biology	King Abdullah University of Science & Tech (Saudi Arabia)
Dr. Chaka Ferguson	FIU	Political Science	Florida International University
Dr. Stephanie L. Fitzpatrick	UM	Psychology	Northwell Health
Dr. Bernita M. Frazier	FSU	Education	Georgia Department of Public Health
Dr. Erika D. Edwards	FIU	History	University of Texas at El Paso (TX)
Dr. Ransford M. Hyman Jr.	USF	Engineering	Adobe Inc.
Dr. Sergio D. Iniguez	FSU	Psychology	The University of Texas at El Paso (TX)
Dr. Karla D. Kennedy	UF	Mass Communications	Florida International University
Dr. Ruben Kertesz	UF	Engineering	Xylem
Dr. Vanessa A. Littleton	UCF	Political Science	California State University Monterey Bay (CA)
Dr. Yasmeen M. Nkrumah-Elie	FAMU	Environmental Toxicology	ChromaDex
Dr. Mibel M. Pabon	USF	Medical Sciences	Immunologix Laboratories
Dr. Felicia Powell	FAU	Engineering	Naval Surface Warfare Center Philadelphia Division
Dr. Dorielle T. Price	USF	Engineering	EasyPeasie, LLC
Dr. Al-Aakhir Rogers	USF	Engineering	Self-employed
Dr. Derrick D. Rowe	USF	Medical Sciences	Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati
Dr. Stephanie Aldebot Sacks	UM	Psychology	Washington DC VA Medical Center
Dr. Natasha F. Cover Samuels	USF	Engineering	Merck
Dr. Edward J. Shaw	UF	Anthropology	University of Nebraska-Omaha (NE)
Dr. Walteria Tucker	FAU	Comparative Studies	University of the Bahamas
Dr. Nefertiti A. Walker	UF	Business	Isenberg School of Management, UMass Amherst and University of Massachusetts (MA)
Dr. Nicole M. West	USF	Education	Missouri State University (MO) and NVision Designs & Consulting LLC
Dr. Sandra Williams	FIU	Psychology	Q-Q Research Consultants LLC
Dr. Carol R. Williams-Oladele	USF	Public Health	Yale School of Medicine (CT)
2012			
Dr. Jennifer Bolden	UCF	Psychology	University of Tennessee (TN)
Dr. Vernessa M. Bowles	FSU	Psychology	Private Practice
Dr. Albert Dorsey	FSU	History	Scripps College (CA)
Dr. Marc R. Elie	UCF	Chemistry	PerkinElmer, Inc
Dr. Rachel Andre Glenn	UF	Psychology	Southeast Community College (NC) and Mind Over Monday LLC
Dr. Jacqueline C. Grant	UM	History	Gulliver Prep School
Dr. Brian H. Fisher	UCF	Engineering	Qualcomm
Dr. Kavon J. Franklin	FSU	English	Alabama State University (AL)
Dr. Carollaine M. Garcia	UCF	Psychology	Deloitte Consulting
Dr. Nick Lebredo	UCF	Public Administration	DeVry University / Keller Graduate School of Management
Dr. Jennifer J. Matthews	UCF	Education	Oakland University (MI)
Dr. Jamae F. Morris	USF	Anthropology	Robert Wood Johnson Foundation
Dr. Oneil Newell	FAMU	Pharmacy	Broward College
Dr. Ravic Nijbroek	USF	Geography	WWF Germany
Dr. Ellisa C. Parker-Athill	USF	Medical Sciences	Connecticut College (CT)
Dr. Michelle A. Phillips	UF	Economics	University of Florida
Dr. Anderson D. Prewitt	UF	Engineering	University of Florida
Dr. Tony Price	USF	Engineering	Qorvo, Inc.
Dr. Mikal A. Rasheed	UM	Psychology	DiLorenzo Tricare Health Clinic
Dr. Luis C. Rivera	FSU	Music	University of South Alabama (AL)
Dr. Tarah V. Rogowski	FSU	Psychology	Dr. Sarah Ravin's Private Practice
Chiappetta	UM	English	
Dr. Tralonda C. Triplett	UM	Public Health	Center for Policing Equity
Dr. Josune Urbistondo	UM	English	University of Miami and Write Your Acceptance
2013			
Dr. Afrifah Y. Bobbie	UCF	Engineering	Youngstown State University (OH)
Dr. Justin Boone	FIU	Engineering	Self-Employed
Dr. Taryn Buckley	UF	Health Sciences	University of Florida, North Florida AIDS Education & Training Center
Dr. Brandon T. Burrell	FSU	Humanities	

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2013 (Cont.)			
Dr. Lillian Campbell-Wynn	UCF	Engineering	Air Force Agency for Modeling and Simulation
Dr. Darina Palacio Castillo	UF	Engineering	U.S. Department of Energy
Dr. Nikita E. Chavarria (Nembhard)	UF	Biology	Noodle
Dr. Emelda E. Curry	USF	Anthropology	University of South Florida
Dr. Shawna M. Dell	UF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	University of Florida
Dr. Kelvin D. Farmer	FAMU	Education	Florida A&M University
Dr. Dominique Gehy	FSU	Business	Hofstra University (NY)
Dr. Lizette G. Howard	USF	Political Science	Defense Intelligence Agency
Dr. Tashana D. Howse	UCF	Education	Georgia Gwinnett College (GA)
Dr. Eric Huey	FIU	Engineering	Lockheed Martin
Dr. Brandon A. Jackson	FSU	Sociology	The City University of New York (NY)
Dr. Crystal Chapman Lambert	USF	Nursing	University of Alabama at Birmingham (AL) & Yale Univ. Center for Interdisci
Dr. Manuel T. Lopez	UF	Psychology	
Dr. Samique S. March-Dallas	FIU	Business	Florida A&M University
Dr. Cecily E. McCoy-Fisher	UCF	Psychology	Naval Air Warfare Center Training Systems Division
Dr. Silvia Z. Mitchell	UM	History	Purdue University (IN)
Dr. Ramon B. Montero	UM	Engineering	Akron Biotech
Dr. Rumbidzai Mufuka	UM	Political Science	KAVA Consultancy (self-employed)
Dr. Cyndia M. Muniz (Morales)	UCF	Education	University of Central Florida
Dr. Christi M. Navarro	FIU	Public Health	Nova Southeastern University
Dr. Michelle R. Offutt	USF	Nursing	St. Petersburg College
Dr. Shara Pantry	USF	Medical Sciences	Clinical Care Options
Dr. Chris J. Patti	USF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Appalachian State University (NC)
Dr. Emmanuel Pereira	FSU	Humanities	Florida State University
Dr. Amanda A. Price	UM	Physiology	Winston-Salem State University (NC)
Dr. Brandon D. Richard	USF	Engineering	Collins Aerospace
Dr. Federica S. Robinson-Bryant	UCF	Engineering	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Dr. Jacqueline A. Rodriguez	UCF	Education	National Center for Learning Disabilities
Dr. Xaymara M. Serrano	UM	Biology	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Dr. Calvin M. Stewart	UCF	Engineering	Ohio State University (OH)
Dr. Amanda M. Tazaz	FSU	Biology	Florida State University
Dr. Katina W. Thompson	FSU	Business	Illinois State University (IL)
Dr. Randolph R. Turnbull III	FSU	Foreign Language	Florida State University
Dr. Daria J. Willis	FSU	History	Howard Community College (MD)
Dr. Monica Wilson	USF	Biology	University of Florida, Florida Sea Grant
Dr. Ronee Wilson	USF	Public Health	University of South Florida
2014			
Dr. Frank A. Alexander, Jr.	USF	Engineering	Abbott
Dr. Noel Alphonse	UM	Philosophy	Miami-Dade Community College
Dr. Stephen H. Arce	UF	Engineering	Florida A&M University-Florida State University College of Engineering
Dr. Danielle N. Boaz	UM	History	University of North Carolina - Charlotte (NC)
Dr. Otonye Braide-Moncoeur	UF	Chemistry	Northeastern University (MA)
Dr. Cicely Brantley	FSU	Human Science/Family Relations	Self-Employed; Tallahassee Community College
Dr. Robin Brooks	UF	English	University of Pittsburgh (PA)
Dr. Megan E. Brown	UF	Ecology	University of Florida
Dr. Adrienne Celaya	UM	Sociology	The Mark USA
Dr. Shihab Deiab	FAMU	Pharmacy	Ajman University (UAE)
Dr. Cindy Ermus	FSU	History	University of Texas at San Antonio (TX)
Dr. Cynthia L. Figgers	FAMU	Pharmacy	Florida A&M University
Dr. Amelia N. Gibson	FSU	Information Sciences	University of Maryland at College Park (MD)
Dr. Mashunte' M. Glass-Holmes	FAMU	Pharmacy	Winship Cancer Institute of Emory University (GA)
Dr. Don P. Graham	UM	Engineering	
Dr. Sennai Habtes	USF	Ecology	University of the Virgin Islands
Dr. Stacey E. Hardin	UCF	Education	University of Washington at Seattle (WA)
Dr. William C. Hardy	UF	Chemistry	Savannah River National Lab
Dr. Charles E. Harris Jr.	UCF	Computer Science	Tampa Bay Buccaneers
Dr. Corliss D. Heath	USF	Anthropology	Health Resources Services Administration

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2014 (Cont.)			
Dr. Julieta P. Hernandez	FIU	Public Health	University of Miami
Dr. Yvette M. Holmes (Maureen)	FSU	Business	Dr. Yvette Solutions
Dr. Brenda R. Jasper	USF	Nursing	St. Petersburg College of Nursing
Dr. Felicia O. Kaloydis	FIT	Psychology	OT by the sea; Playgogy Ventures
Dr. David Lagomasino	FIU	Ecology	Universities Space Research Association
Dr. Lindsey-Kay Lauderdale	UF	Mathematics	Southern Illinois University (IL)
Dr. Christopher Lorscher	UCF	Physics	Seminole State College of Florida
Dr. Elizabeth J. Lust	UCF	Psychology	Merck
Dr. Elizabeth A. Maloney (Corsentino)	FSU	Psychology	VA Tennessee Valley Healthcare System
Dr. Chauntel L. McNair (Mckenzie)	USF	Nursing	Chamberlain University (IL)
Dr. Alan Meca	FIU	Psychology	University of Texas at San Antonio (TX)
Dr. Vanessa L. Madrazo	FIU	Psychology	NAMI Miami-Dade
Dr. Dalgys Mesa	FIU	Physics	Louisiana State University (LA)
Dr. Sean C. Mondesire	UCF	Computer Science	University of Central Florida
Dr. Thomas E. Moore	UF	Education	
Dr. Miguel A. Morales	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Cesar M. Moreira	UF	Engineering	ESPOL Polytechnic University (Ecuador)
Dr. Nadine Nelson	USF	Medical Sciences	Abcam
Dr. Liv K. Newman	UF	Sociology	Tulane University (LA)
Dr. Francisco R. Ortega	FIU	Computer Science	Colorado State University (CO)
Dr. Enrique G. Ortiz	UCF	Engineering	Peloton Interactive
Dr. Iris E. Patten	UF	Political Science	Geospatial Collaborative Consulting
Dr. Fernando M. Patterson	FIU	Business	University of Texas - Pan American (TX)
Dr. Alisha Peterson	USF	Engineering	Intel Corporation
Dr. Merlande Petit-Bois	USF	Education	Pinellas County Schools
Dr. Jasmine R. Phillips	UM	Communication Sciences and Disorders	California State University (CA)
Dr. Vito Rebecca	USF	Biology	Johns Hopkins University (MD)
Dr. Issa A. Ramirez Rivera	USF	Engineering	Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dr. Paul Robinson II	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Jennifer E. Rosado-Munoz	UF	Psychology	Nationwide Children's Hospital (OH)
Dr. Cinthia B. Satornino	FSU	Business	University of New Hampshire (NH)
Dr. LeTania P. Severe	FIU	Sociology	Plumb Research Services
Dr. Stephanie Solomon	FAMU	Public Health	Tallahassee Community College
Dr. Pierre T. St Juste	UF	Engineering	Google
Dr. Adrienne P. Stephenson	FAMU	Pharmacy	Florida State University
Dr. Donovan L. Thompson	UF	Chemistry	Albemarle Corporation
Dr. Bianca C. Trejo	FIT	Psychology	Apple
Dr. David R. Walker	UF	Engineering	Rehobith Innovations Company
Dr. Benetta H. Wholuba	FSU	Psychology	HCA Orange Park Hospital
Dr. Ricardo E. Zulueta	UM	Humanities	
2015			
Dr. Maryam Agharahimi	FAMU	Pharmacy	Florida A&M University
Dr. Elaine Espanola Aguirre	FIU	Psychology	University of Miami
Dr. Olukemi O. Akintewe	USF	Engineering	University of South Florida
Dr. Toya M. Albury	UCF	Public Health	
Dr. Jacqueline K. Amorim	UF	English	Florida International University
Dr. Veronica E. Aponte	USF	Engineering	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Dr. Corey E. Baker	UF	Computer Science	University of Kentucky (KY)
Dr. Darren R. Beneby	FSU	Criminology	North Carolina Central University (NC)
Dr. Tara Blakey	FIU	Engineering	Jacobs
Dr. Michael E. Brandon	UF	History	The Packer Collegiate Institute
Dr. Natasha L. Burke	USF	Psychology	Fordham University (NY)
Dr. Jean Calderon	UCF	Chemistry	Garmor
Dr. Vinicio Carias	USF	Engineering	Sandia National Laboratories
Dr. June O. Carrington	UF	Anthropology	Hope Empowerment & Development Zone (HEADZ)/ Hope City Church
Dr. Danielle T. Cooper	UF	Criminology	University of New Haven (CT)
Dr. Pablo K. Cornejo	USF	Engineering	California State University, Chico (CA)
Dr. Ruan R. Cox Jr	USF	Medical Sciences	Regeneron Genetics Center
Dr. Miguel A. Cruz	FIU	Public Health	U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Dr. Andrea J. Cumming	UCF	Engineering	
Dr. Jennifer T. Dames	UCF	Education	
Dr. Brittany Osbourne Derenoncourt	UF	Anthropology	WhatsApp

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2015 (Cont.)			
Dr. Monica A. Duran	UM	Foreign Language	University of Miami
Dr. Anya T. Edun	FIU	Psychology	Dart
Dr. Marcus L. Elam	FSU	Dietetics and Nutrition	California State Polytechnic University, Pomona (CA)
Dr. Mutasim Elsheikh	USF	Engineering	Self Employed
Dr. Desiree J. Espinal-Sepulveda	FIU	Psychology	
Dr. Ange Marie P. Fievre	FIU	Engineering	Alpha Translation Services
Dr. Veronica R. Fortino	UM	Engineering	Nova Southeastern University
Dr. Rony A. Francois	UF	Biology	University of California San Francisco (CA)
Dr. Amaris Genemaras	UM	Engineering	
Dr. Janine A. Gilkes	UF	Medical Sciences	Biogen
Dr. Vernita Glenn-White	UCF	Mathematics	Glenn-White Global Solutions
Dr. Gary Gramajo	FSU	Statistics	Chick-fil-A
Dr. Felicia Griffin	FSU	Statistics	
Dr. Elizabeth C. Hamilton	UF	Humanities	Fort Valley State University (GA)
Dr. Aleshia Hayes	UCF	Computer Science	University of North Texas (TX)
Dr. Victor Huayamave	UCF	Engineering	Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University
Dr. Lisa G. Jennings	FSU	English	Texas A&M University (TX)
Dr. Timothy Jones	FSU	Business	Xavier University (OH)
Dr. Amber W. Kinsey	FSU	Health Sciences	University of Alabama at Birmingham (AL)
Dr. Danielle M. Lespinasse	UF	Psychology	Philadelphia VA Medical Center
Dr. Camee Maddox-Wingfield	UF	Anthropology	University of Maryland (MD)
Dr. Jordany R. Maignan	USF	Chemistry	Ion Labs
Dr. Maritza Muniz Maisonet	USF	Chemistry	University of South Florida
Dr. Jessica S. Martinez	FSU	Medical Sciences	GE
Dr. Joseph F. McGuire	USF	Psychology	Johns Hopkins Medicine
Dr. Sharde' McNeil-Smith	FSU	Human Science/Family Relations	University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (IL)
Dr. Nia Morales (Haynes)	UF	Ecology	University of Florida
Dr. Laurent L. Yamen Njilla	FIU	Engineering	Air Force Research Laboratory
Dr. Edikan E. Archibong Ogunnaike	USF	Engineering	University of North Carolina; North Carolina State University (NC)
Dr. Lacy A. Olson	FSU	Psychology	Private Practice
Dr. Laurin Pacheco	UM	Medical Sciences	Miami VA Hospital
Dr. Evans Pemba	UF	Health Sciences	
Dr. Michael J. Perez	UF	Physics	Valencia State College
Dr. Rebeca P. Perren	UCF	Business	California State University San Marcos (CA)
Dr. Brandon M. Reese	FSU	Engineering	SAS Institute
Dr. Mark Santana	USF	Engineering	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Dr. Rolando O. Santos	UM	Ecology	Florida International University
Dr. Daphne Simmonds	USF	Information Sciences	Metropolitan State University at Denver
Dr. Jaired Tate	UF	Chemistry	Goucher College (MD)
Dr. Phaedra J. Thomas	USF	Public Health	(USACIL)
Dr. Juan C. Torres	UF	Mathematics	
Dr. Innocent Udom	USF	Engineering	Kumho Tire
Dr. Carlos Velez	UCF	Engineering	MCAP LLC
Dr. Denise C. Vidot	UM	Public Health	University of Miami
Dr. Sachel Villafane-Garcia	USF	Chemistry	California State University, Fullerton (CA)
Dr. Vonetta L. Williams	USF	Public Health	Moffitt Cancer Center
Dr. S. Janine Parker Woods	UF	Agriculture	Cooperative Extension at Virginia State University (VA)
2016			
Dr. Abenaa Acheampong-Jones	UF	Public Health	Pennsylvania State University (PA)
Dr. Berthude Albert	UF	Food Science	
Dr. Katherine Barko Alva	UF	Education	William & Mary School of Education (VA)
Dr. Sidney T. Anderson	FSU	Business	Texas State University (TX)
Dr. Shetay Ashford	USF	Education	Texas State University (TX)
Dr. Ali Bustamante	UM	Political Science	Roosevelt Institute
Dr. Nicole R. Carr	UM	Africana Studies	Texas A&M University- San Antonio (TX)
Dr. Michael C. Cross	USF	Physics	University of South Florida; Nascence
Dr. Yolanda Daza	USF	Engineering	The Dow Chemical Company
Dr. Debbie T. Devine	USF	Nursing	University of Florida
Dr. Jason Downing	FIU	Biology	Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
Dr. Carmen S. Edwards	UF	Psychology	Matone Counseling Charlotte

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2016 (Cont.)			
Dr. Ransford F. Edwards	FIU	Political Science	Nova Southeastern University
Dr. Kevin Elliott	FSU	Psychology	Teva Pharmaceuticals
Dr. Dana G. Farrell	FIU	Public Health	
Dr. Ophelia George	USF	Geosciences	Pensacola State College
Dr. Jevay Grooms	UF	Economics	Howard University (D.C.)
Dr. Marian J. Hardwick	USF	Nursing	Self-employed
Dr. Oscar J. Harvin	FAU	Business	Sam Houston State University (TX)
Dr. Kiar Holland	FIU	Engineering	Laugh Dealer LLC
Dr. Justin Hosbey	UF	Anthropology	University of Maryland (MD)
Dr. Lora Rose R. Hunter	FSU	Psychology	Private Practice
Dr. Chioke A. l'Anson	USF	Philosophy	Institute for Contemporary Art at Virginia Commonwealth University (VA)
Dr. Sanaa A. Jaman	UF	Engineering	Self-Employed
Dr. Rosalyn D. Johnson	UF	Ecology	Yardbio.com
Dr. Jared A. Jones	UF	Engineering	UK Atomic Energy Authority
Dr. Nicholas Kasdaglis	UCF	Psychology	MITRE Corporation
Dr. Michael N. Killey	FAU	Business	University of Michigan - Dearborn (MI)
Dr. Natalie S. King	UF	Education	Georgia State University (GA)
Dr. Natalie M. Leblanc	UM	Nursing	University of Rochester School of Nursing (NY)
Dr. Sharon H. Lebron	UF	Engineering	Health First
Dr. Brittany Lee-McMullen	UF	Medical Sciences	Stanford University (CA)
Dr. Devin Lewis	UF	Food Science	The Coca-Cola Company
Dr. Chanda J. Littles	UF	Ecology	EPA Western Ecology Division
Dr. Susana Lopez	USF	Chemistry	Northwestern University (IL)
Dr. Felix Lorenzo	UF	Public Health	U.S. Department of Health & Human Services
Dr. Sarah E. Mena	UF	Engineering	Dow
Dr. Jasmine A. Oliver (Graham)	USF	Physics	Moffitt Cancer Center
Dr. Courtney Owens	UF	Food Science	American Farmland Trust
Dr. Dudith P. Pierre-Victor	FIU	Public Health	Jackson State University (MS)
Dr. Javier A. Rivera	UCF	Psychology	JamBebe LLC
Dr. Jodonnis Rodriguez	FIU	Economics	Eastern Michigan University (MI)
Dr. Tammy Sanders	FIU	Education	
Dr. Caroline Silva	FSU	Psychology	University of Rochester School of Medicine & Dentistry (NY)
Dr. Maisha Standifer	USF	Anthropology	Morehouse School of Medicine (GA)
Dr. Marcia M. Tan	UM	Psychology	University of Chicago (IL)
Dr. Jeremy Townsend	UCF	Health Sciences	Athletic Greens
Dr. Ofonime Udofot	FAMU	Pharmacy	U.S. Food and Drug Administration
Dr. Candice Z. Ulmer	UF	Chemistry	U.S. Department of Agriculture-Food Safety & Inspection Service
Dr. Carleen Vincent-Robinson	UM	Sociology	Florida International University
Dr. Felicia D. Williams	FAMU	Education	Florida State University
Dr. Lenzi J. Williams	FSU	Chemistry	Wasatch Photonics
Dr. Natalie Williams	UF	Education	
Dr. Rhonda L. Williams	UF	Education	Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas
Dr. Tanika Williamson	USF	Engineering	University of South Florida
2017			
Dr. Marissa Alert	UM	Psychology	TadHealth, MDA Wellness
Dr. Christopher L. Alexander	UF	Engineering	University of South Florida
Dr. Jeffrey E. Anderson	FSU	Business	California State University Los Angeles (CA)
Dr. Jacob Atem	UF	Public Health	Spring Arbor University (MI)
Dr. Tomia Austin	FAMU	Public Health	As One Foundation
Dr. Dawnette E. Banks	FSU	Education	Dreamcast Educational Consulting
Dr. Danisha Baker	FSU	Statistics	CACI International Inc.
Dr. Teresa Benitez-Gregory	UF	Engineering	University of Florida
Dr. Sherman Benjamin	FSU	Physics	National High Magnetic Field Lab
Dr. Yonatan Binyam	FSU	Humanities	Coastal Carolina University (SC)
Dr. Natalia D. Borrego	UM	Ecology	Max Planck Institute of Animal Behavior
Dr. Cherrishe A. Brown	FAMU	Pharmacy	Cardinal Health
Dr. Lecia Brown	USF	Psychology	
Dr. Natalie Escobio Bustillo	UM	Psychology	Private practice
Dr. Eartha Butler	FAMU	Public Health	

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2017 (Cont.)			
Dr. Jason Caldwell	FAMU	Environmental Toxicology	
Dr. Claudia Cardona	FIU	Engineering	
Dr. Mia Carey	UF	Anthropology	DC Office of Human Rights
Dr. Ashley Carter	FSU	Food Science	Army National Guard
Dr. Alexander Castro	UM	Medical Sciences	
Dr. Jesus Chavarria	FSU	Psychology	Western University (Canada)
Dr. Edward L. Clark, II	FAMU	Public Health	Florida Department of Health
Dr. Teresa Collins	UF	Medical Sciences	Aurinia Pharmaceuticals Inc
Dr. Justine C. Connolly	USF	Psychology	Katie Merricks Counseling, LLC
Dr. Olufisayo Salako Dargout	FAMU	Pharmacy	Department of Defense
Dr. Phebian L. Davis	FAU	Business	Clemson University (SC)
Dr. Dominique DuBose	UF	Health Sciences	Bethune Cookman University
Dr. Justin P. Dunnivant	UF	Anthropology	University of California Los Angeles (CA)
Dr. Diego Esparza-Duran	UF	Psychology	VA Sepulveda Ambulatory Care Center
Dr. Vanquilla L. Shellman Francis	FIU	Chemistry	Miami Dade Police Department
Dr. Yolanda Franklin	FSU	English	Emory University (GA)
Dr. Vladimir J. Geneus	FSU	Statistics	AbbVie
Dr. Adrienne George	USF	Biology	University of Tampa
Dr. Andree George	UF	Biology	U.S. Department of Agriculture Agricultural Research Service (ARS)
Dr. Nathalia Gillot (Borden)	FSU	Political Science	Booz Allen Hamilton
Dr. Laura C. Rodriguez Gonzalez	USF	Engineering	Carollo Engineers
Dr. Michael Grady	USF	Engineering	Georgia Tech Research Institute (GA)
Dr. Justin Hall	FAU	Business	Barry University
Dr. Kimmerly Harrell	UCF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Jacksonville University
Dr. Shaywana L. Harris	UCF	Education	Texas State University, Private Practice (TX)
Dr. Neverson-Anyjah S. Heatley III	UF	Education	
Dr. Elizabeth Henderson	FAMU	Pharmacy	Presbyterian College School of Pharmacy (SC)
Dr. Tanisha Hill-Jarrett	UF	Psychology	University of Michigan Medical School (MI)
Dr. Cresean Hughes	FSU	Criminology	University of Delaware (DE)
Dr. Shalay Jackson	USF	Public Health	Florida State University
Dr. Micah E. Johnson	UF	Sociology	University of South Florida
Dr. Janelle Letzen	UF	Psychology	Johns Hopkins University (MD)
Dr. Sherelle L. Lowe	FSU	Education	
Dr. Melvin R. McCray	UF	Engineering	Lockheed Martin
Dr. Adonis McQueen	USF	Medical Sciences	GCOM Software, LLC
Dr. Jorge I. Medina	UF	Chemistry	Zurich Instruments
Dr. Giovanni Merillis	USF	Public Health	Environmental Protection Agency
Dr. Dagmara A. Monfort	USF	Engineering	DRAUMS LLC
Dr. Lorraine E. Monteagut	USF	Mass Communications	Chicago Review Press
Dr. Alexis Mootoo	USF	Political Science	University of South Florida
Dr. Brandon J. Nzekwe	FSU	Education	Northern Virginia Community College (VA)
Dr. Alberto Ortega	UF	Economics	Indiana University (IN)
Dr. Veronica M. Negron Perez	UF	Food Science	University of Puerto Rico
Dr. Esther V. Piervil	UF	Public Health	Karna, LLC
Dr. Krystal Pree	FAMU	Environmental Toxicology	EnviroStewards Consulting, LLC
Dr. Ana M. Rivera Rodriguez	UF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	University of St. Augustine for Health Sciences
Dr. Luis M. Rodriguez	UCF	Engineering	University of Central Florida
Dr. Elizabeth Rojas	USF	Psychology	atai Life Sciences
Dr. Shenae K. Samuels-Staple	UF	Public Health	Memorial Healthcare System
Dr. Samantha Jones Sojourner	FAMU	Medical Sciences	Medical College of Georgia at Augusta University (GA)
Dr. Felecia L. Theune	UM	Sociology	University of Miami
Dr. Maria Vega-Rodriguez	USF	Biology	Puerto Rico Department of Natural and Environmental Resources
Dr. Victor H. Velez	UCF	Engineering	University of Central Florida
Dr. Marcia S. Washington	FSU	Psychology	Veteran Evaluations of Florida
Dr. Ira M. Wheaton	FSU	Engineering	RaceTrac
Dr. Karessa White	UF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Halo Labs
Dr. Kia Williams	USF	Chemistry	Metrohm USA
2018			
Dr. Genevieve A. Bell	FSU	Biology	Monell Chemical Senses Center
Dr. Evans K. Bernardin	USF	Engineering	Wolfspeed

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2018 (Cont.)			
Dr. Larry E. Burrell	UF	Psychology	VA Northern California Health Care System
Dr. Claudia Fleitas Campos	USF	Psychology	Simmons University (MA)
Dr. Jaime V. Chavez	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Makini K. Cobourne-Duval	FAMU	Pharmacy	U.S. Food & Drug Administration
Dr. Zachary K. Collier	UF	Education	University of Delaware (DE)
Dr. Shamara P. Collins	USF	Engineering	Morgan State University (MD)
Dr. Pablo Correa	FSU	Mass Communications	University of Saint Joseph (CT)
Dr. Miltonette O. Craig	FSU	Criminology	Sam Houston State University (TX)
Dr. Vanessa B. Crowther	FAMU	Public Health	Florida A&M University
Dr. Joshua Degraff	FSU	Engineering	Florida State University
Dr. Alejandro R. Diaz	FIU	Psychology	Positive Behavior Supports Corp
Dr. Allyson D. Diggins	UF	Psychology	Cleveland Clinic
Dr. Faith N. Ezekiel-Wilder	UCF	Education	Bezos Academy
Dr. Hiva Feizi	USF	Political Science	PaykanArtCar
Dr. Ileana M. Freytes-Ortiz	USF	Biology	Rakuten Advertising
Dr. Jorge L. Garcia	UF	Anthropology	University of Vermont (VT)
Dr. John S. Gibson	FIU	Engineering	Air Force Research Laboratory
Dr. Jose R. Guarin	UF	Engineering	Columbia University (NY)
Dr. Earnest Hansley	USF	Computer Science	
Dr. Sherelle L. Harmon	FSU	Psychology	Florida State University
Dr. Candace Harris	FAMU	Physics	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
Dr. Reginald Harris	FSU	Business	Samford University Brock School of Business (AL)
Dr. Andrea M. Headley	FIU	Public Administration	Georgetown University (D.C.)
Dr. Caesar M. Hernandez	UF	Medical Sciences	University of Alabama at Birmingham (AL)
Dr. Cassandre Jean-Antoine	UF	Nursing	Howard University (D.C.)
Dr. Tamina J. Jeffers	USF	Engineering	WuXi Biologics
Dr. Travis Jones	UF	Psychology	Apple
Dr. Rocio Lalanda	USF	Geography	Mount Grace Land Conservation Trust
Dr. Tiffany Lang	UF	Business	
Dr. Darline A. Lott	USF		Hillsborough Community College
Dr. Silvia S. Matzdorf	UF	Medical Sciences	Thermo Fisher Scientific
Dr. Jame E. McCray	UF	Ecology	Delaware Sea Grant
Dr. Joel Mendez	FSU	Public Administration	University of Kansas (KS)
Dr. Jana S. Miles	FAMU	Pharmacy	
Dr. Dunwoody Mirvil	FSU	Music	Stetson University; D.Mirvil Music, LLC
Dr. Jaleesa Moore	FAMU	Public Health	Vanderbilt University Medical Center
Dr. Lakeshia Norton	FSU	Education	
Dr. Monique O. Ositelu	FSU	Education	New America Foundation
Dr. Jessica N. Peoples	UCF	Medical Sciences	Meunier Carlin & Curfman LLC
Dr. Derrick Pollock	FSU	Education	Florida State University
Dr. Morgan V. Sanchez	UF	Sociology	San Jose State University (CA)
Dr. Deirdra Sanders-Burnett	USF	Education	Association
Dr. Jenay Sermon	FSU	Education	Spellman College, NSF Grant Project (GA)
Dr. Hadassah St. Hubert	UM	History	National Endowment for the Humanities
Dr. Chavis Stackhouse	USF	Chemistry	Texas A&M University (TX)
Dr. Kimberly D. Stewart	UF	Chemistry	Arvinas
Dr. Jonathan Torres	UCF	Engineering	Bucknell University (PA)
Dr. Irene L. Walker	UCF	Education	University of Northern Iowa (IA)
Dr. Sheldon G. Waugh	UF	Public Health	US Census Bureau
Dr. Chante E. Washington-Oates	UM	Nursing	Banyan Health Systems
Dr. Atalie A. Ashley West	UCF	Public Administration	Advent Health University
Dr. Aurellia Whitmore	FAMU	Pharmacy	White Coat White Collar, Agilent
Dr. Jessica A. Wilson	USF	Education	Arvinas
Dr. Shanon C. Wooden	UCF	Engineering	Keller Williams Realty
Dr. Alisa M. Zujovic	USF	Education	
2019			
Dr. Daniel Acheampong	USF	Business	DAGA Accounting Solutions/ Florida Gulf Coast University
Dr. Virginia Alfonso	UM	Psychology	Private practice
Dr. Dinorah H. Chacin Amorena	USF	Biology	Gulf Shellfish Institute
Dr. Brandon D. Armstrong	UF	Political Science	Florida A&M University
Dr. Gladys M. Asong	FAMU	Pharmacy	Indian Health Services
Dr. Jasmon L. Bailey	USF	Sociology	University of Maryland (MD)

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2019 (Cont.)			
Dr. Alexis L. Woods Barr	USF	Public Health	University of North Carolina Chapel Hill (NC), Carolina Global Breastfeedin
Dr. Krystal Bichay-Awadalla	UM	Psychology	Office of Planning, Research and Evaluation
Dr. Tommy O. Boykin II	UCF	Physics	National Institute of Standards & Technology
Dr. Jorge Calabria	USF	Engineering	Hazen and Sawyer
Dr. Richard J. Carrillo	UF	Engineering	Axiom Space
Dr. Patrick Cherubin	UCF	Medical Sciences	University of Pennsylvania (PA)
Dr. Jaylyn Clark	UF	Psychology	Wellstar Health System
Dr. Lakeshia A. Cousin	USF	Nursing	University of Florida College of Nursing
Dr. Inger Daniels-Hollar	FSU	Business	
Dr. Rashidah H. Farid	UF	Ecology	Tuskegee University (AL)
Dr. Yvette Figueroa	UM	Physiology	Sam Houston State University (TX)
Dr. Wilmer Flores	UCF	Engineering	University of Central Florida
Dr. Dorianmarie Vargas Franco	UF	Biology	Brand Institute
Dr. Marsha Amoy (Chin) Fraser	UCF	Public Health	University of Central Florida College of Medicine
Dr. Kia C. Fuller	UF	Anthropology	University of Washington at Seattle (WA)
Dr. Sandy L. Gonzalez	FIU	Psychology	New York University (NY)
Dr. Erin R. Harrell	FSU	Psychology	NIH Center for Scientific Review
Dr. Estee Hernandez	FSU	Education	Texas Christian University (TX)
Dr. Eve A. Humphrey	FSU	Ecology	Lincoln University (MO)
Dr. Deja M. Jackson (<i>deceased</i>)	UF	Engineering	
Dr. Diane A. Lawong	FSU	Business	University of Alabama at Birmingham (AL)
Dr. Emma V. Lopez-Ponnada	USF	Engineering	Carollo Engineers, Inc.
Dr. Ariana H. Magdaleno-Yntema	UM	Humanities	Broward County Public Schools
Dr. Jessica L. Maura	UM	Psychology	University of Washington School of Medicine (WA)
Dr. Deborah K. McEwan	FAU	Education	Florida Atlantic University
Dr. Edwing A. Medina	UM	Education	New York University Tandon School of Engineering (NY)
Dr. Yemeserach T. Mekonnen	FIU	Engineering	
Dr. Liana C. Mentor	UM	Psychology	Johns Hopkins University (MD)
Dr. Rhoda K. Moise	UM	Public Health	University of Miami
Dr. Brandon A. Moton	FAMU	Public Health	Florida A&M University
Dr. Patricia Navarro-Velez	UCF	Business	
Dr. Casandra R. Newkirk	UF	Ecology	University of North Carolina - Charlotte (NC)
Dr. Claribel Nunez	UF	Chemistry	Spark Therapeutics
Dr. Merly Ovares	UM	Biology	Downtown Doral Charter Upper School
Dr. Nadra Pencle	UCF	Business	Ball State University (IN)
Dr. Daniel B. Perez	UM	Engineering	Northrop Grumman
Dr. Meardith A. Pooler-Burgess	FAMU	Public Health	Florida State University College of Medicine
Dr. Nefertiti A. Pupilampu	FSU	Education	The Nefertiti Project & Webster University, Accra, Ghana
Dr. Rosario C. Ramirez	UM	Humanities	
Dr. Ariel U. Smith	UM	Nursing	University of Illinois at Chicago (IL)
Dr. Jonathan Sosa	UCF	Engineering	U.S. Naval Research Laboratory
Dr. Xigrd Soto	USF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	University of Kansas, Juniper Gardens Children's Campus (KS)
Dr. Christine S. Toledo	UM	Nursing	Florida Atlantic University
Dr. Zenith Acosta Torres	UM	Engineering	
Dr. Vickie O. Tyler (Carnegie)	UCF	Public Administration	Old Dominion University, Bellevue College (VA)
Dr. Lorena Sanchez Vivas	USF	Engineering	
Dr. Joseph I. Whitman	UF	Economics	Whitman College (WA)
2020			
Dr. Ryan Aguirre	FSU	Music	Western Illinois University (IL)
Dr. Juan G. Arroyo-Flores	USF	Sociology	Fors Marsh Group
Dr. Faisal Awwal	FIU	Economics	PwC
Dr. Caroline M. Bailey	FSU	Criminology	Indiana University at Purdue (IN)
Dr. Elizabeth A. Barrios	UCF	Engineering	NASA
Dr. Enrico R. Barrozo	UF	Biology	Children's (TX)
Dr. Karen L. Bell	USF	Communication Sciences and Disorders	Virtual Hearing Solutions
Dr. David L. Brown	UF	Engineering	National Research Council/Air Force Research Lab

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2020 (Cont.)			
Dr. Chesya Burke	UF	Humanities	Stetson University
Dr. Lamar K. Burton	FIU	Engineering	Raytheon
Dr. Maya E. Carrasquillo	USF	Engineering	University of California, Berkeley (CA)
Dr. Sade Collins	FAMU	Public Health	Commissioned Corps of the U.S. Public Health Service
Dr. Ivory S. Council	FAMU	Environmental Toxicology	Florida A & M University
Dr. Charles W. Davis, Jr.	UCF	Engineering	Embry Riddle Aeronautical University
Dr. Adrian Diaz	UF	Engineering	Los Alamos National Laboratory
Dr. Brittany N. Dixon	UF	Public Health	University of Florida
Dr. Shamaria B. Engram	USF	Computer Science	Massachusetts Institute of Technology Lincoln Laboratory (MA)
Dr. Henrietta O. Fasanya	UF	Pharmacy	Houston Methodist Hospital
Dr. Daniel Fisher	UF	Psychology	
Dr. Jesse Ford	FSU	Education	University of North Carolina-Greensboro (NC)
Dr. Luis D. Garbinski	FIU	Medical Sciences	
Dr. Tessa M. Garcia-Collart	FIU	Business	University of Missouri St Louis (MO)
Dr. Rupert R. Giroux	FSU	Engineering	Florida Department of Transportation
Dr. Brittany A. Gonzalez	FIU	Engineering	Florida International University
Dr. Rasheda D. Haughbrook	FSU	Psychology	Florida State University
Dr. Carlos R. Hernandez	UF	History	Wayne State University (MI)
Dr. Jennifer Hernandez-Coto	FIU	Psychology	University of Miami
Dr. Marcus C. Herndon	FIU	Engineering	MITRE Corporation
Dr. Lawrence Jackson	FSU	Humanities	The Black Male Therapist, LLC
Dr. Janelle Y. Jennings-Alexander	FSU	English	St. Augustine's University (NC)
Dr. Desiree C. Jonas	FAMU	Public Health	South University
Dr. Shanice M. Jones	FSU	Public Administration	US Fish and Wildlife Service
Dr. Ufuomaroghene Ikoba	USF	Engineering	
Dr. Danielle N. Ingle	FAU	Biology	Brockport Research Institute, Top Hat
Dr. Rachael D. Mack	UCF	Public Administration	
Dr. Heather M. Maranges	FSU	Psychology	Florida State University
Dr. Clausell Mathis	FSU	Education	Michigan State University (MI)
Dr. Antionette McFarlane	UF	Sociology	University of Florida
Dr. Victoria A. McNeil-Young	UF	Psychology	Jacksonville University
Dr. LaFarin Meriwether	FSU	Education	University of North Carolina at Greensboro (NC)
Dr. Sherez Mohamed	FSU	Foreign Language	Mercyhurst University (PA)
Dr. Imani Munyaka (Sherman)	UF	Computer Science	University of California, San Diego
Dr. Kristopher O. Myers	FIU	Public Health	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Miami Quarantine Station
Dr. Sana Nasim	FIU	Engineering	Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School
Dr. Alnecia Nisbett	FIU	Public Health	ConcertAI
Dr. Nwakaego Ukonu Nmezi	UF	Psychology	Johns Hopkins University (MD)
Dr. Carlos M. Perez	USF	Physics	Lockheed Martin
Dr. Victor Perez	UF	Geography	Calvert Marine Museum, National Science Foundation (NSF)
Dr. Andrea M. Peters	UM	Engineering	U.S. Forces Korea
Dr. Daniel Pimentel	UF	Mass Communications	University of Oregon (OR)
Dr. Brianna B. Posadas	UF	Computer Science	Virginia Tech University (VA)
Dr. Cassandra Rene	FIU	Public Health	
Dr. Michael K. Riley II	UF	Biology	The Lockwood Group
Dr. Marissa Roberts	FAMU	Public Health	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
Dr. Ivan I. Rodriguez-Pinto	FIU	Biology	Naval Surface Warfare Center
Dr. Alyssa M. Rose	FSU	Chemistry	University of Liverpool (United Kingdom)
Dr. Natasha Rubie	FAMU	Pharmacy	Empath Health
Dr. Esteban L. Santis	UCF	Public Administration	Florida Policy Institute
Dr. Katherine E. Shakour	USF	Anthropology	Clemson University (SC)
Dr. Allen C. Starke	UF	Engineering	L3Harris Technologies
Dr. Sherri L. Sutton-Johnson	FAMU	Public Health	Florida Board of Nursing
Dr. Connie Tenorio	FSU	Chemistry	Genentech
Dr. Shameka Thomas	UM	Sociology	NIH/Genomics /Research Institute
Dr. Rashidra R. R. Walker	FAMU	Pharmacy	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Dr. Willie Mae White	UF	Education	

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2020 (Cont.)			
Dr. Calandra Whitted	FAMU	Public Health	Meharry-Vanderbilt Alliance
Dr. Anthony K. Windmon	USF	Computer Science	Deutsche Bank
Dr. Betsir Zemen	UCF	Psychology	Meta
2021			
Dr. Alle J. Adjiri	USF	Mathematics	Hillsborough Community College
Dr. Julia Arroyo	UF	Sociology	College of Charleston (SC)
Dr. Kacey K. Brown	FAMU	Public Health	Tallahassee Community College; Aetna, a CVS Health Company
Dr. Latoya S. Brown	FSU	Psychology	
Dr. Cherelle D. Carrington	FIU	Public Health	West Virginia University (WV)
Dr. Jessica N. Casimir-Vadeboncoeur	UF	Sociology	Western Carolina University (NC)
Dr. Hardeo M. Chin	UCF	Engineering	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory
Dr. Nemmi N. Cole	FAMU	Engineering	University of Southern California (CA)
Dr. Camillia R. Comeaux	FAMU	Public Health	Behavioral Science Research Institute
Dr. Frank Conic	UF	Education	Georgia State University (GA)
Dr. Rosa L. Cromartie	FIU	Chemistry	National Institute of Standards and Technology
Dr. Andres Curbelo	UCF	Engineering	Pratt & Whitney
Dr. Stephanie G. Diaz	UM	Biology	
Dr. Jordan A. Dowell	UCF	Biology	Louisiana State University
Dr. Patrick O. Emami	UF	Computer Science	National Renewable Energy Lab
Dr. Hamilton K. Ervin	UCF	Engineering	Accenture
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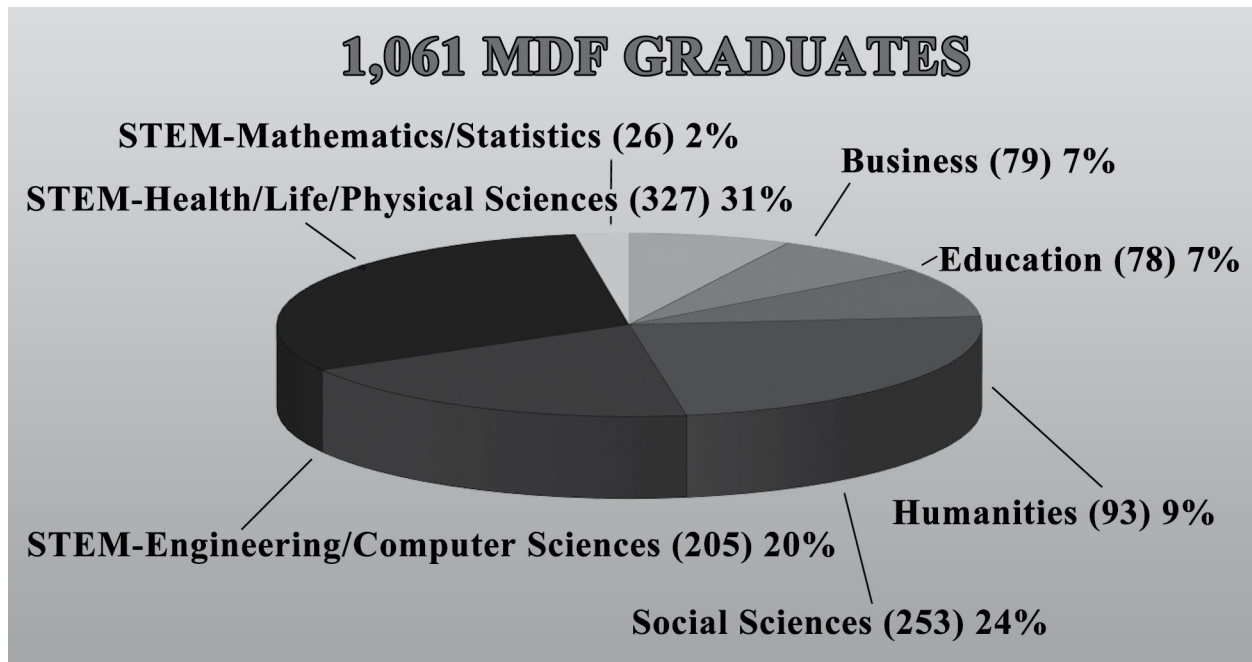
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