

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
January 21, 2015

SUBJECT: Targeted Educational Attainment (TEAm) Grant Program Update

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For information

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The Board of Governors Commission on Florida Higher Education Access and Degree Attainment was created by Chair Dean Colson on May 16, 2012 in order to focus on how Florida is addressing the statewide need for future degree attainment. The final report of the Commission was approved at the November 2013 meeting of the Board of Governors.

The Legislature provided \$15 million in appropriated funds to the Board of Governors to make awards on a competitive basis to address the targeted program areas identified in the Commission's gap analysis. In March of 2014, the Board of Governors selected four partnerships to receive \$15 million in funding for the Targeted Educational Attainment (TEAm) grant program. These partnerships include:

- **CSIT (UCF-USF-FIU) TEAm: An Urban University Coalition Response to Florida's Computer and Information Technology Workforce Needs**
The University of Central Florida, Florida International University and the University of South Florida (\$4,858,413)
- **An Innovative, Collaborative Approach to Increasing the Supply of Quality Accounting Graduates in Florida**
The University of South Florida, Florida International University and the University of Central Florida (\$3,643,157)
- **The FITC Alliance - Expanding North Florida's IT Career Pathways**
Florida State University and Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (\$2,981,386)

- **CAPTURE Project - Computer Accelerated Pipeline to Unlock Regional Excellence**

Florida Atlantic University, Palm Beach State College and Broward College (\$3,517,044)

Although it is still early in the 5-year grant period, initial information suggests that the program is on track to meet its collective goal. A dashboard was created to monitor the performance metrics for the grantees. Initial results show that program outcomes for upper division enrollments and completers exceed the expected levels proposed by the funded partnerships. Specifically, the total number of upper division enrollments exceeded the expected amount by 149 students and the total number of completers exceeded the expected amount by 5 graduates.

Current financial data was not available as of the date of this printing but will be included in the presentation at the January 21, 2015, meeting of the Board's Academic and Student Affairs Committee. The post-college outcomes for graduates are currently being collected for the first graduating class and will become available after July 2015.

To help monitor the progress of grant recipients, an Evaluation Committee was established and includes representatives from the Florida Council of 100, the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida, the Florida College System and the Board of Governors. Progress on the funded projects are also continually monitored by Board staff through monthly phone calls, site visits, and the review of reports submitted in January and July of each year through July 2018.

Supporting Documentation Included: TEAm Grant Dashboards

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