First-Generation Students: Career Readiness for College Students

Enhancement Award

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First-Generation Students: Career Readiness for College Students will use the Florida Department of Education's definition of career readiness and focus on the skills portion of the definition. We will develop and present a series of face-to-face and online modules (via Canvas) that will help our scholars be career ready by the time they graduate. We will work in collaboration with Career Services who will present additional workshops and provide a panel of business/industry employers. We will specifically target juniors and seniors. The project will assist students in developing their professional images. Some of the planned interventions address needed job search skills including resume writing, e-portfolio development, and interview coaching. Additionally, the program will provide opportunities for students to master the social norms of the interview process through a dress for success workshop and an etiquette luncheon. Finally, the project will provide participants with the opportunity to engage in financial and economic literacy education.