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AGENCY ISSUE NARRATIVE:

2020-2021 BUDGET YEAR NARRATIVE:

IT COMPONENT? NO

This issue requests \$150 million in state funds in support of Preeminence/National Ranking and Universities of Distinction to elevate the national competitiveness of Florida's public universities.

Preeminence/National Ranking

The Florida Preeminence Program rewards high-achieving Universities based on 12 academic and research excellence metrics, including graduation rates, student retention rates, research expenditures and the number of patent awards. Preeminence is the highest designation that a research University can earn from the State of Florida.

The collaborative partnership between the Board of Governors and the Legislature confirms the commitment between the two to provide funding and governance to elevate the academic and research preeminence of Florida's highest-performing state research universities. Emphasis will be placed on participation of preeminent universities, national rankings, increase in research, increase endowments through giving and hiring of world class faculty.

The success of funding the preeminent universities has contributed to the rising of three of our state universities in the national rankings. Since 2014, only one institution ranked in the top 15 jumped more spots than the University of Florida. No other institution ranked in the top 50 jumped more spots than Florida State University. The University of South Florida jumped 36 spots while ranked in the top 100. The focus on national rankings reflects the fact that these universities are not only recognized for their academic and research mission in Florida, but nationally as well. These schools are a destination for the top minds in the nation.

Universities of Distinction

The legislature identified the importance of recognizing and investing in universities that can attain national excellence in a core competency. Universities of Distinction is a path towards excellence for non-preeminent universities that will produce high-quality talent to diversify Florida's Economy, stimulate innovation, and provide a return on investment to the state.

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The Universities of Distinction's key goals are:

- Focus on a core competency unique to the State University System and one that achieves excellence at the national or state level;
- Meet state workforce needs now and into the future, including needs that may further diversify Florida's economy;
- Foster an innovation economy that focuses on areas such as health, security, and Stem.

Universities of Distinction is designed to support the nine non-preeminent institutions in the State University System. Institutions will participate in Universities of Distinction by submitting a proposal to the Board of Governors identifying the program that is a core competence capable of reaching national or state excellence. Proposals should demonstrate a unique focus for the institution. This initiative should be flexible to allow for the distinctive array of strengths across the system. As part of the proposal, each institution would be required to identify metrics for measuring success. Metrics will include at least one measure demonstrating accomplishment in year one, and at least two metrics demonstrating return on investment for the state. Since institutions elect to elevate existing programs to excellent ones, they must identify appropriate metrics and/or rankings to demonstrate this ascension. For this program to ignite success, funding should be recurring.

This request primarily meets two strategic initiatives: 1) "Talent Supply and Education" 1.2 - Provide a comprehensive pre-k through postsecondary education to prepare students for becoming successful workers, entrepreneurs and leaders; and 2) "Innovation and Economic Development" 2.2 - Support public, military, and private industry partnerships and integrated efforts related to research and development, innovative technology transfer and commercialization; from Florida's Strategic Plan for Economic Development 2018-2023.

Amended 2020-21 Narrative after November 22, 2019

This issue has been amended to reflect a \$2 million increase in the original request for the National Rankings/Universities of Distinction Initiative. The amended request is in support of the Universities of Distinction path towards excellence goal and will enhance the ability of the nine non-preeminent state universities to achieve excellence in a core competency at the national or state level.

Preeminence/National Ranking:

FSU \$27,500,000
 UF \$37,500,000

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USF	\$20,000,000					
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Universities of Distinction:

FAMU	Improving 21st Century Health and Wellness	\$ 4,500,000
FAU	Applied A.I. & Big Data Analytics	\$ 9,000,000
FGCU	The Water School	\$ 8,000,000
FIU	Environmental Resilience	\$10,000,000
FPU	Engineering	\$ 2,000,000
NCF	Arts & Sciences for Florida's Future	\$ 700,000
UCF	Engineering & Computer Science	\$12,000,000
UNF	UNF Medical Nexus	\$12,000,000
UWF	A Cyber Coast for Florida's Future	\$ 8,800,000
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		\$67,000,000

Summary: This is an amended request. The original request for this issue was \$150 million while the amended request totals \$152 million, a \$2 million increase for the Universities of Distinction Initiative.
