

- I. **Lead Applicant Name:** Florida State College at Jacksonville (FSCJ)
- II. **Lead Applicant City/State:** Jacksonville, Florida
- III. **Primary Partnership Entities:** a. **Private Sector Entities:** *Businesses:* IBM, AT&T, Bovie Medical, JEA, Vistakon, Northrop Grumman, BAE, North Central FL Operating Engineers, Accuform Signs, Alumi-Guard Inc., Pharmaworks, Southern Manufacturing Technologies, Dayspring Village Inc., Family Care Partners, Guardedata, PrattBrown, SMC Software. *Consortium of Businesses:* AMSkills, Independent Electrical Contractors, Inc. (IEC). *Private Organization Functioning as Workforce Intermediary:* Manufacturing Association of Florida, First Coast Manufacturers Association, Bay Area Manufacturers Association, South Florida Manufacturers Association, Jacksonville Information Technology Council, Tampa Bay Technology Forum, Florida Healthcare Simulation Alliance. *Business-related nonprofits:* Jacksonville Chamber of Commerce, Tampa Bay Technology Leadership Association. b. **Public Sector Entities:** *Workforce Investment System:* CareerSource Florida, CareerSource Northeast Florida, Broward and Pinellas; *DOL-Recognized State Apprenticeship Agency:* Florida Department of Education, Office of Registered Apprenticeship; *Education Training Providers:* FSCJ; St. Petersburg College, Broward College; Pinellas and Duval County Schools.
- IV. **Additional Key Partner(s):** State Apprenticeship Advisory Council, Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, Pinellas County Economic Development, City of Jacksonville Veterans' Center, SPC Veterans Services, FSCJ Military and Veterans' Center
- V. **Areas Served by Grant:** State of Florida, with particular focus on: Jacksonville, Duval County, FL (Jacksonville MSA); St. Petersburg, Pinellas County, FL (Tampa Bay MSA); Fort Lauderdale, Broward County, FL (Fort-Lauderdale/Miami MSA).
- VI. **Total Funding Level Requested:** \$5,000,000

VII. **Project Name:** *Florida Apprenticeship in the 21st Century Initiative*

VIII. **Summary of Program Activities:** The mission of *Florida Apprenticeship* is to close the workforce skills gap faced by high growth industries in Florida, and those heavily impacted by H-1B visas, by promoting the growth and expansion of quality and innovative apprenticeships. Based on best practice models, existing programs and past experience, the Consortium's efforts will build its strong public-private partnership to (1) Establish the infrastructure for data-driven models of apprenticeship collaboration between Florida colleges and industry partners; (2) Develop and expand apprenticeship programs which promote accelerated learning approaches; (3) Create effective outreach models which increase the participation of underrepresented populations; (4) Strengthen employer participation in apprenticeship programs through advocacy and collaboration with the Florida Legislature, Florida Department of Education and State Apprenticeship Advisory Council; (5) Sustain the infrastructure through funding streams, tax incentives and financial models that help offset training costs; and (6) Accelerate training by articulating apprenticeships to college credit.

IX. **Numbers of Individuals to be Served:** 1,000

X. **Populations to be Served:** Current students, veterans, unemployed individuals, incumbent workers, and unemployed individuals, all with an emphasis on serving underrepresented populations in apprenticeships, including minorities, people with disabilities; and low-skilled.

XI. **Targeted H-1B Industry(s)/Occupations:** Information Technology, Manufacturing (and cross-sector construction/trades occupations), and Healthcare

XII. **Contact Info for each partner:** *Lead:* FSCJ: Cynthia Bioteau, President, 904-632-3222, Cynthia.bioteau@fscj.edu; SPC: Bill Law, President, Law.Bill@spcollege.edu, 727-341-3241, Broward College: David Armstrong, President, darmstro@broward.edu, 954-201-7401.