



**One Time Request –  
Serving-ness Institute**



# **CENTER FOR STUDENT ADVOCACY & COMMUNITY**



**FY 25-26**



FY 2026 One-Time Request – Serving-ness Institute

The Servingness Institute is a professional and leadership development conference that the Center for Student Advocacy and Community will host in 2026. The Institute will provide a unique opportunity for students, staff, and, faculty from across the region to deepen their understanding of important federal designations. Federal designations such as the University's designation as a Hispanic Serving Institution (HSI), Asian American Native American Pacific Islander Serving Institution (AANAPISI) and Minority Serving Institution (MSI) will be highlighted and staff and student leaders from campus across the region will come together to discuss how best to serve all students and elevate the advocacy and servingness components of those designations. Our goal is to create a “servingness network” where best practices, steps to start servingness efforts and development for campus and leadership and advocacy skills of students can be cultivated.

Attendees of the institute will pick their “track” as a student, staff/practitioner, or faculty/academic. From there they will have presentations catered to expanding their knowledge of servingness, different federal designations, leadership and advocacy on campus, and how to move their campus from just holding a designation due to enrollment towards exuding servingness in practices, research and policies across campus. For our inaugural institute, we hope to serve 250 attendees.

We kindly request programming dollars to support the Servingness Insitute to help address the regional gap of professional and educational opportunities for students, staff and faculty. We hope to be able to provide breakfast, lunch, two guest speakers and to help presenters with travel accommodations.

DSA Strategic Initiative:

*Fostering Student Engagement*

- Increasing Sense of Belonging, Student Engagement, and Academic Success

Funding Request

Speaker Fees and Accommodations	\$12,000
Food (Breakfast, Lunch, and afternoon snack)	\$8,000
Marketing	\$2,000
AV and Streaming	\$2,500
Subtotal	\$24,500
<u>Admin Fee</u>	<u>\$1,470</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$25,970</b>