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Professor Miguel Labrador Receives 2010 Hispanic Pathways Award

Tampa, Fla. (September 9, 2010) – Miguel Labrador, associate professor in the dept. of Computer Science and Engineering, has been selected as the recipient of the 2010 Hispanic Pathways Award in the faculty category. The Hispanic Pathways Award, created in 2004 by the USF Latin Community Advisory Committee, recognizes faculty and students who have created pathways to the betterment of the lives of Latinos in the community, state and nation.

Professor Labrador's nomination focused on his dedication and attainments to increasing diversity in STEM fields, especially through the NSF grant programs he leads – Research Experiences for Undergraduates and the Computer Science Transfer Program. These programs have opened science and engineering pathways for 125 students over the past six years.

The Hispanic Pathways Awards will be presented on Thursday September 30 at the USF Hispanic Heritage Kickoff event to be held in the Gibbons Alumni Center.

The University of South Florida is one of the nation's top 63 public research universities and one of only 25 public research universities nationwide with very high research activity that is designated as community engaged by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching. USF was awarded \$380.4 million in research contracts and grants in FY 2008/2009. The university offers 232 degree programs at the undergraduate, graduate, specialist and doctoral levels, including the doctor of medicine. The USF System has a \$1.8 billion annual budget, an annual economic impact of \$3.2 billion, and serves more than 47,000 students on institutions/campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg, Sarasota-Manatee and Lakeland. USF is a member of the Big East Athletic Conference.

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