



COLLEGE of
CENTRAL
FLORIDA

CUTTING-EDGE EDUCATION

2023-2024 Annual Report



Dear Friends of the College,

As we undergo the largest workforce program expansion in our history, the College of Central Florida is proud to be on the cutting edge of higher education. New state-of-the-art learning centers for nursing and advanced manufacturing will help our students hit the ground running in high-demand careers, and new academic programs ensure we can meet the growing need for highly skilled workers.

Thanks to tremendous support from our state and local partners, our top-rated faculty can provide exceptional instruction in the highest quality learning environments to prepare our students to excel in work and life. New this year, our selection as an education partner for Amazon is helping hourly employees learn valuable skills for career success. Amazon's Career Choice program provides prepaid tuition for any of CF's more than 170 academic programs.

In this annual report, you'll read about innovations across our campuses – from new buildings to updated technology to enhanced collaborations with local businesses – and be inspired to come see for yourself why we are the region's first choice for quality higher education.

Thank you for all the ways you support our students, faculty and staff in today's high-tech educational environment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James D. Henningsen".

James D. Henningsen, Ed.D.
CF President

District Board of Trustees
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We transform lives and enrich our community by providing a supportive, high-quality learning environment that prepares individuals to excel in work and life.



STATE-OF-THE-ART INNOVATION

A new **Center for Advanced Manufacturing** will revolutionize CF's Engineering Technology programs, thanks to a nearly **\$5 million** Workforce Development Capitalization Incentive Grant established by the Florida Legislature. The new center at the Ocala Campus will enhance the four Associate in Science degrees and six College Credit Certificates and also will be home to the new Rapid Prototyping College Credit Certificate.

The grant will support a comprehensive remodel of Building 9, transforming 17,000 square feet into modern classroom and laboratory spaces plus specialized equipment and expanded industry-driven technical training to meet the needs of local employers. This funding is part of a broader **\$35 million** state initiative aimed at expanding Florida's workforce in sectors including semiconductor manufacturing and advanced technology.

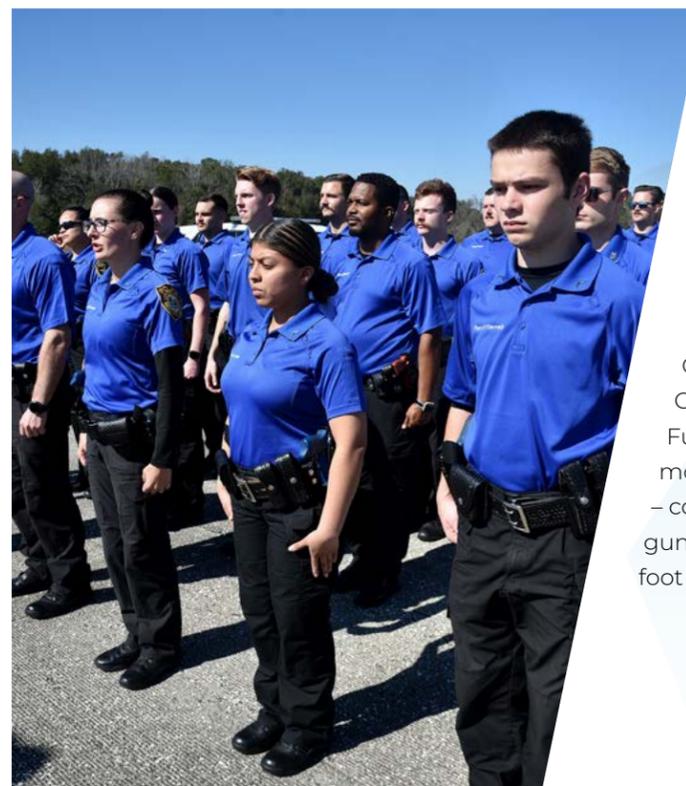
CF alumnus and Engineering Technology instructional assistant Chris Kromke, pictured above, was honored with the 2023 Advanced Technological Education Award of Excellence this year by the National Science Foundation and the American Association of Community Colleges.



At the **CF Vintage Farm Campus, Agribusiness and Equine Studies students** are preparing to lead the next generation of agribusiness professionals with the latest technological advancements, such as crop mapping and spraying drones as well as equine electromagnetic field therapy and cold laser therapy.

Agribusiness Program Manager and Associate Professor Tavis Douglass, a fourth-generation

Florida farmer, encourages students to try cutting-edge equipment and experience hands-on learning. This year, Douglass was honored with the national Dale P. Parnell Distinguished Faculty Award from the American Association of Community Colleges.



The CF Criminal Justice Institute is working to

increase the number of qualified graduates to fill open law enforcement jobs. With funding of more than **\$17 million** from the Florida Legislature in fall 2023, we currently are planning construction of a new Criminal Justice Instruction Center at the Ocala Campus. Future officers will learn using modern multimedia scenarios – complete with automated gunfire – in a 32,000-square-foot building.

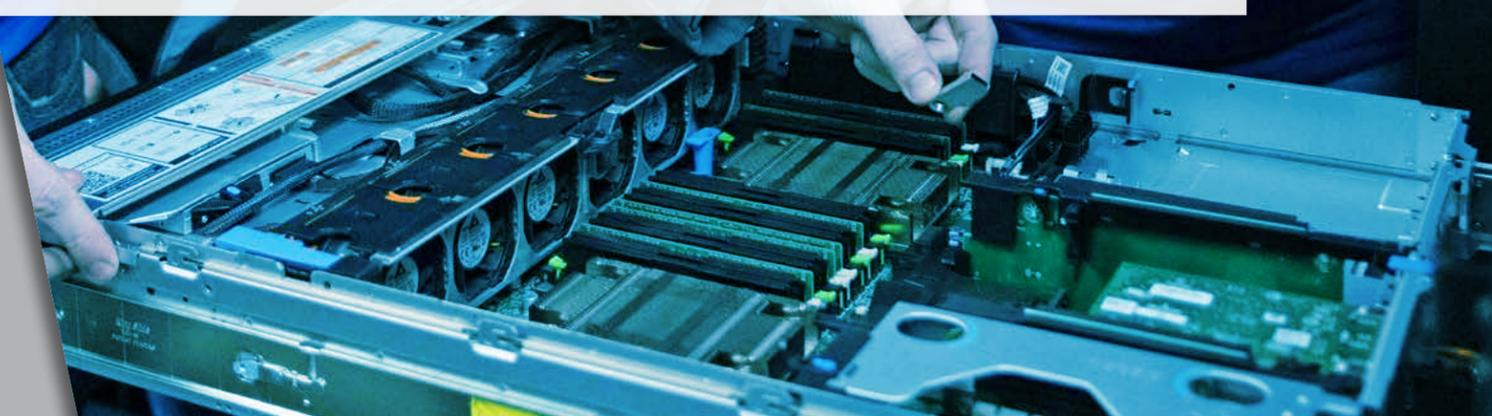


HIGH-QUALITY TRAINING

CF's first-ever grants from the National Science Foundation, received in the first half of 2024, are providing much-needed funding for training opportunities in high-demand career fields.

An updated College Credit Certificate program in Network Security was made possible by the first grant, which focuses on increased awareness of careers in cybersecurity and offers paid internships for students to get real-world experience with local employers.

The Central Florida Aquatic Workforce and Research Project was established with the second NSF grant. The three-year initiative prepares associate-level graduates for occupations in agricultural, ecological and environmental engineering and water conservation.



The CF Welding program, offered exclusively at the Jack Wilkinson Levy Campus, has acquired a Lincoln Electric Cobot, offering students the chance to train on the industry's revolutionary technology. As the first institution in the state to offer this equipment, CF is providing the opportunity for learners to earn Fuji Automatic Numerical Control (FANUC) certification, the world leader in robotics. This high-skill, high-wage credential is expected to be adopted by more local employers as the field of welding continues to innovate.

Our award-winning Dental program at the Hampton Center recently launched a Dental Hygiene Associate in Science program and a new community dental clinic, made possible through a **\$1.6 million** renovation supported by an **\$800,000** commitment from Marion County Hospital District. The clinic provides low-cost services for patients and hands-on experience for students.

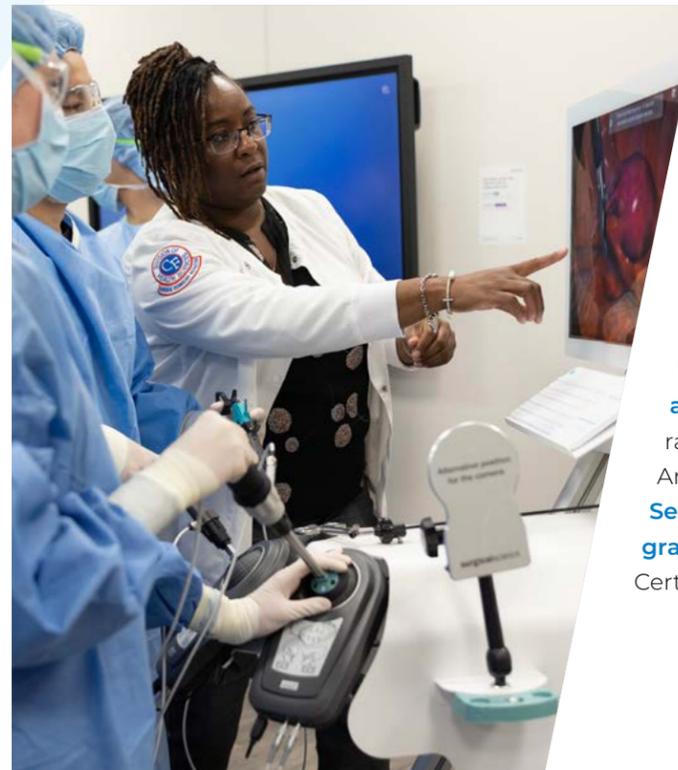


TOP-RANKED HEALTH SCIENCES

The impressive new **\$20 million Center for Nursing** is set to open for classes in early 2025, and future nursing professionals are looking forward to learning in six high-tech classrooms, three skills labs, six simulated exam rooms and a testing lab.

Funded by the Florida Legislature, Marion County Hospital District and the Marion County Board of Commissioners, the two-story, 42,000-square-foot facility can accommodate 325 students in the Associate Degree Nursing and Bachelor of Science in Nursing programs. These future registered nurses and nurse leaders will help meet our region's growing need for highly skilled health care professionals.

The most recent gift of **\$5 million from the Citrus County Hospital Board** was added to last year's generous funding from the board and the Florida Legislature for a combined **\$11.7 million** endowment in Citrus County to support health care education for generations to come. This unprecedented donation in April 2024 is providing scholarships to cover **all in-state tuition and lab fees for Citrus County residents admitted to CF's Associate Degree Nursing program.**



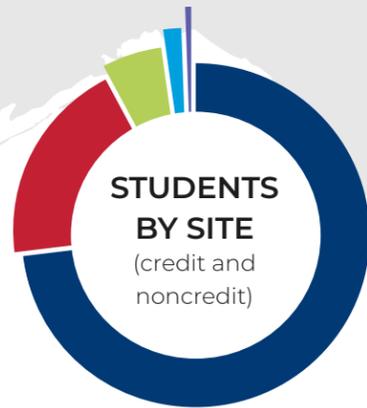
Over the past two years, the college has invested **\$6 million** in modern, new equipment to ensure future health care professionals train with industry-standard technology. This high-quality learning environment is reflected on students' career certification exam scores.

This year, our **Associate Degree Nursing students achieved a 100% pass rate** on the NCLEX-RN test. **CF Radiography graduates attained a 100% pass rate** on the national radiologic technologist certification exam. And, for the second year in a row, **Surgical Services Associate in Science degree graduates earned a 100% pass rate** on the Certified Surgical Technologist national exam.

BY THE NUMBERS

HEADCOUNT

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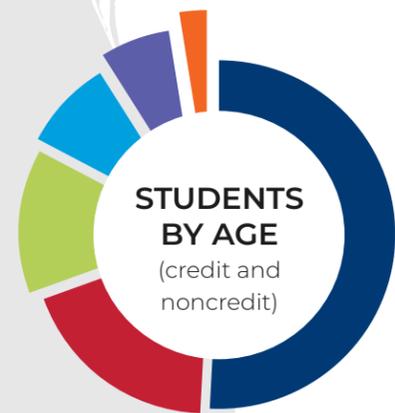


- 73.2% Ocala Campus
- 19.1% Wilton Simpson Citrus Campus
- 5.6% Jack Wilkinson Levy Campus
- 1.8% Vintage Farm Campus
- .3% Hampton Center

STUDENTS BY GENDER (credit and noncredit)



- 55.1% White (not of Hispanic origin)
- 19.4% Hispanic origin
- 10.4% Black (not of Hispanic origin)
- 7.6% Undeclared
- 4.0% Multiple race
- 3.0% Asian
- 0.3% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- 0.2% American Indian/Alaskan Native



- 51.0% 18-24
- 18.6% 25-34
- 13.4% Under 18
- 8.3% 35-44
- 6.3% 45-54
- 2.4% 55+

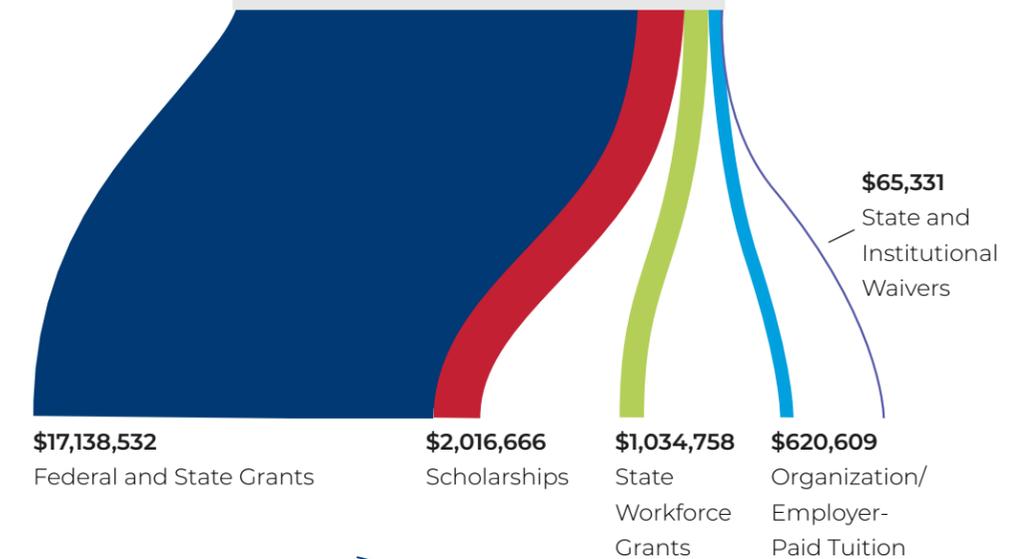
Median age: **21.8** years
Average age: **28.9** years



- 49% College Credit/Technical Certificates
- 30% Associate in Arts
- 13% Associate in Science
- 8% Bachelor's

DIRECT AID TO OUR STUDENTS

TOTAL: \$20,875,896



- 71.9% State of Florida
- 21.0% Student Fees
- 7.1% Other

WHERE OUR DOLLARS COME FROM AND WHERE THEY GO

Collectively, all of these investments provide a supportive, high-quality learning environment that prepares individuals to excel in work and life.

- 12.9% Student Support and Aid
- 13.5% Plant Operations and Maintenance
- 35.3% Institutional Support
- 38.2% Instructional and Academic Support

Ocala Campus

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Wilton Simpson Citrus Campus

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Lecanto, FL 34461-9026
352-746-6721
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Jack Wilkinson Levy Campus

15390 N.W. Highway 19
Chiefland, FL 32626
352-658-4077
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Hampton Center

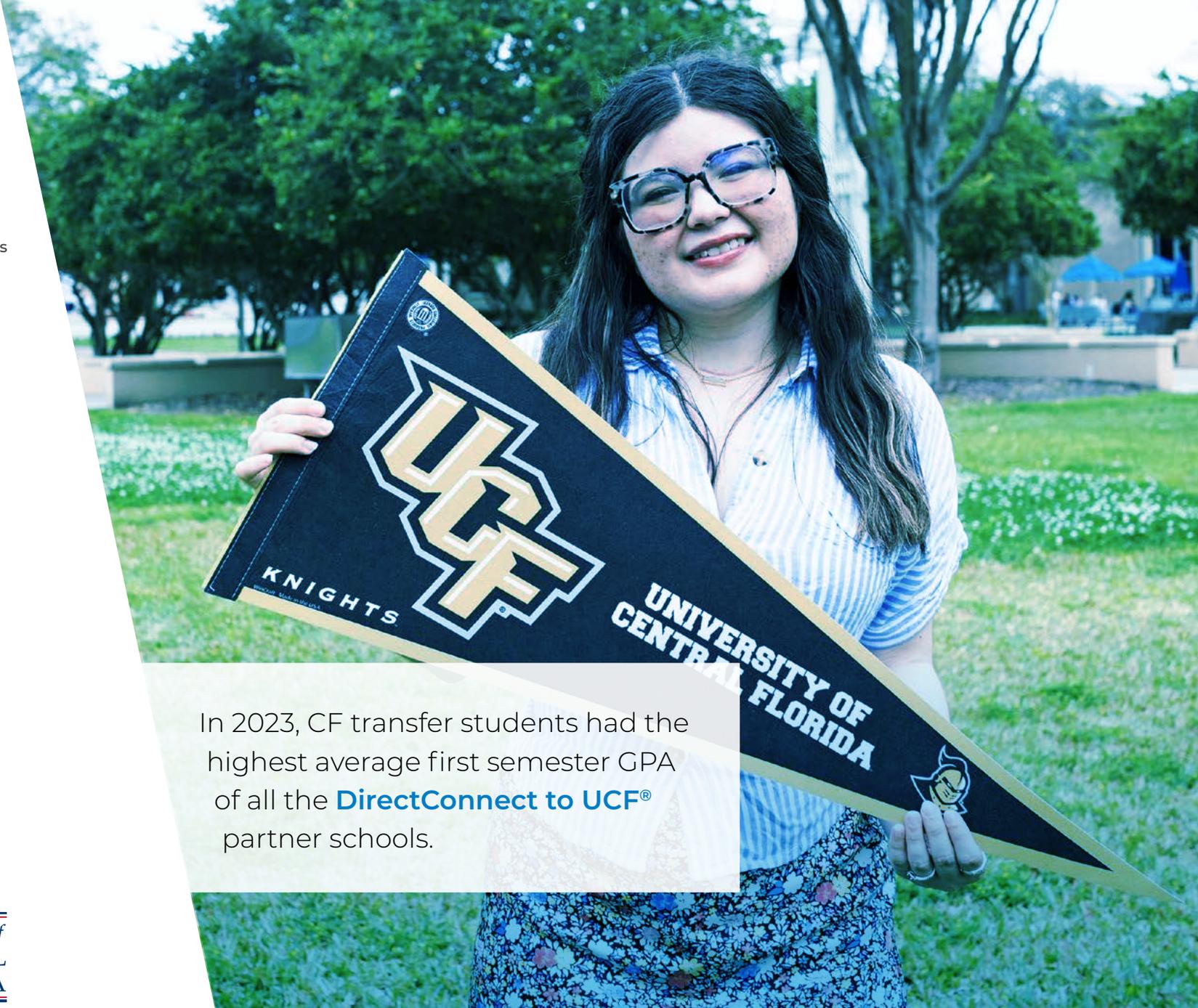
1501 W. Silver Springs Blvd.
Ocala, FL 34475-6456
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CF.edu/Hampton

Appleton Museum of Art

College of Central Florida
4333 E. Silver Springs Blvd.
Ocala, FL 34470-5001
352-291-4455
AppletonMuseum.org

Vintage Farm Campus

4020 S.E. Third Ave.
Ocala, FL 34480-4708
CF.edu/VintageFarm



In 2023, CF transfer students had the highest average first semester GPA of all the **DirectConnect to UCF®** partner schools.

College of Central Florida offers equal access and opportunity in employment, admissions and educational activities. The college will not discriminate on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, religion, sex, pregnancy, age, marital status, national origin, genetic information, sexual orientation, gender identity, veteran status or disability status in its employment practices or in the admission and treatment of students. Recognizing that sexual harassment constitutes discrimination on the basis of sex and violates this policy statement, the college will not tolerate such conduct. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Dr. Mary Ann Begley, Title IX Coordinator, Ocala Campus, Building 3, Room 116, 3001 S.W. College Road, 352-291-4410, or Compliance@cf.edu.

College of Central Florida is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award associate and baccalaureate degrees. Questions about the accreditation of the College of Central Florida may be directed in writing to the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, GA 30033-4097, by calling (404) 679-4500, or by using information available on SACSCOC's website (www.sacscoc.org). College of Central Florida is also approved by the Florida Department of Education to award associate degrees, baccalaureate degrees, college credit certificates and occupational certificates.