

We are about to enter a pivotal era of transformation. Some refer to this change engine as the 4th Industrial Revolution. Driven by the merger of the physical world with the digital world, this "cyber-physical system" is the foundation of the new platform for life that will bring about consequences that have far and deep-reaching implications. As Gator Engineers, we must be prepared to take the lead in shaping the society of the future by supporting excellence in engineering education, research and community advancement.

> Cammy R. Abernathy, Ph.D. Dean, Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering

## **DEAR FRIENDS,**

At the Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering, our vision is nothing short of bold moonshots that will transform the very way we live, work and play. Aiming to create a new platform for life in the society of the future, the College's New Engineers are committed to put forth their proven leadership, innovation and interdisciplinary skills to advance the overall quality of life of the citizens of Florida, the nation and the world in the 21st century and beyond.

We invite you to be part of this exciting expedition. You can help us shape the future of things that matter to everyone – personalized and affordable healthcare, resilient communities, better security, a smart and connected world, and an accessible vibrant economy – by helping us support tomorrow's engineering leaders, today.

# I hope you will join us as we imagine and invent this new society of the future, by being part of the Dean's Leadership Circle.

The support and generosity of members of the Dean's Leadership Circle enables our faculty and students to engage in collaborative state-of-the-art research and human-centered learning. Your support lets us create programs and initiatives that will produce a diverse talent pipeline to help us find better solutions in an increasingly cyber-physical world.

Don't be a spectator. Join us, become an active participant of the 4th Industrial Revolution, and help change the world.

Warmest regards,

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## **DEAN'S LEADERSHIP MEMBERS**

Your gift ensures that the tradition of excellence known to all Gator Engineers continues, as we prepare the leaders and innovators of tomorrow. Your contributions make certain undergraduate and graduate students have access to the financial resources, laboratories, technologies, facilities and top rated faculty to become **LEADERS IN THE FIELD**.

The Dean's Leadership Circle recognizes those who give cash gifts of \$1,000 or more annually to any fund at the Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering.\*

The levels of the Dean's Leadership Circle are:

- LUMINARY \$25,000 and above
- VISIONARY \$10,000 \$24,999
- INNOVATOR \$5,000 \$9,999
- **PIONEER** \$1,000 \$4,999

As a member of the Dean's Leadership circle, you will be:

- Among the first to hear college updates and proud accomplishments
- Recognized by the Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering
- Invited to exclusive events with college leadership

\*Membership is based on fiscal year (July 1 - June 30)

## **BENTON LOYALTY SOCIETY**

The Benton Loyalty Society is an exclusive group that includes exemplary alumni who have shown their unwavering support for the college year after year. Dean's Leadership Circle members will be inducted into the Benton Loyalty Society as a recognition for cumulative support of the College for 10+ years (based on the fiscal year July 1 – June 30). Alumni who have supported the college for more than 25 years receive special recognition.



## **DEAN'S LEADERSHIP INITIATIVES**

At the Herbert Wertheim College of Engineering, we have identified four key areas where our expertise will make a difference. Within each of those key areas, we are also collaborating with other colleges throughout UF in what are known as "Moonshots" – dream-big initiatives that will propel us one step closer to the society of the future.

### PERSONALIZED AND AFFORDABLE HEALTHCARE

Our engineers are using soft matter 3-D printing to reproduce cancer cells and tumors in bulk through our Cancer Engineering Initiative. Your support helps them more rapidly identify new test therapies and drugs that lead to a stronger battery of cancer treatments.

### DIGITAL LITERACY & SECURITY

With the moonshot known as the Digital Literacy and Precision Learning Initiative, our college will lead UF research and education, using advanced tools that include virtual reality, IoT, and the iClassroom to nurture a digitally prepared workforce. Your support will also help them solve problems of privacy, security, ethics, bias and accessibility.

### RESILIENT COMMUNITIES

From coastal monitoring to equitable voting to smart cities, our engineers employ humancentered technology to monitor, sense, test, analyze and optimize for sustainability, accessibility and equality. Your support will build a smarter and safer society for all in Florida and the nation.

## BUILDING TOMORROW'S LEADERS & THE ECONOMY

Your support in this area enables our faculty to collaborate with industry experts, government agencies, K-12 educators and other community leaders in building talent pipelines filled with diverse students who have benefited from advanced, personalized, experiential and lifelong learning opportunities and tools.



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