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Facilities Renovation/Norman Hall
Remodel
University of Florida

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NORMAN HALL REMODELING
PURPOSE, NEED, SCOPE, RELATIONSHIP OF PROJECT TO AGENCY OBJECTIVES

- As one of several buildings listed on the National Historic Registry, Norman Hall is a vital historical asset to the University of Florida campus. Restoration and upgrades will further extend the lifecycle of this important historic facility.

- The requested funds will be used to upgrade spaces, correct deficiencies, and improve the functionality of the building and its systems. Completed in 1932, Norman Hall currently provides office and classroom space for the College of Education. While periodic minor projects have been done over the last 80 years, the building remains generally deficient to meet modern educational needs. Along with re-roofing, the brick structure is in need of restoration, and the HVAC, electrical, and plumbing systems for the building are entirely deficient. The project scope also includes envelope restorations to the Norman Hall addition, renovations to the ground floor Norman Library, and a one-story Conferencing Addition.
PURPOSE, NEED, SCOPE – DETAIL

- The College presently lacks a large multifunctional meeting space conducive to current needs. The one-story Conferencing Addition will provide for efficient and configurable meeting spaces, flexible furnishings, and AV equipment to support modern Tele-conferencing technologies.
- Significant critical deferred maintenance backlog for the “82 year old” facility will be virtually eliminated by this project, as well as updating the facility to comply with current fire code and ADA standards.
- By upgrading the building envelope (Roof, Windows, brick repairs) and mechanical systems, the facility will incur significantly enhanced energy efficiencies, thereby resulting in reduced operational costs.
RETURN ON INVESTMENT (ROI)

- UF COE currently ranked #1 among COEs in Florida; #1 among public institutions in the SEC; UF’s highest-ranked graduate college; #21 among public universities in the nation (top 2% nationally); 5 academic programs ranked in the top 20
- College has **$74.4M** in active externally-funded research projects
- Reprogramed space will boost capacity for externally-funded research and training
- Renovation to support college in improving national ranking and impact
- Facility would enhance ability to host speakers for research and training seminars/workshops
- Listed on the National Historic Registry, Norman Hall is a cornerstone of UF, and restoration and upgrades will continue legacy and usefulness
DEMAND METRICS

- Constructed as K-12 school in 1934, facility is outdated and hazardous – unsuitable for preparing educators, innovators, and leaders to meet Florida’s educational needs
- The College of Education develops innovations in STEM education and advances technology-assisted instruction to address the needs of all learners across the state
- Current enrollment: 2,800 across 28 undergraduate and graduate academic programs
- Projected enrollment growth: 20% in five years
- Continued growth in externally-funded research measuring 50% increase over past 5 years
- Home to national centers including: Lastinger Center for Learning, Center for Excellence in Early Childhood Studies, Online Learning Institute, Center for Disability Studies & Outreach, Institute for Higher Education, Center for Community Outreach
REQUEST

Total project budget: $24.4M
Request for 2015-16 $8M

Anticipated construction start date: April 2016

Estimated completion date: August 2017