

ABSTRACT

The University of South Florida (USF) College Assistance Migrant Program (CAMP) assists students from migrant and seasonal farmworker backgrounds in successfully completing their first year of college and transitioning to their second year. USF is an AAU, preeminent state research university located in Tampa, Florida. USF CAMP consistently ranks among the highest performing programs nationally with first year completion and second year retention well exceeding GPRA 1 and 2 measures. Building on twenty years of successful CAMP programs, the USF CAMP will enroll a minimum of 25 residential students per year recruited from throughout the state. The outcome-based objectives of the program are: 1. *Recruit and admit a cohort of at least 25 eligible students per year from migrant and seasonal farmworker families;* 2. *Provide academic support services to CAMP students to assist them in completing their first year of college;(GPRA 1 86%)* 3. *Develop and implement a comprehensive plan to integrate 100% of CAMP students into the university community, ensuring full access to all aspects of university life including residential, health, recreational and cultural activities and* 4. *Develop and implement a comprehensive plan to transition CAMP students to their second year and toward degree completion at rates higher than comparable non-participants (GPRA 2 92%).* Invitational Preference **Priority 1** is addressed through innovative partnerships giving students access to social/emotional and mental health resources and extensive financial literacy training. USF CAMP students participate in professional seminars, evidence-based enhanced advising, tutoring and peer-mentoring. Business and community relationships optimize CAMP students' potential for professional success and private endowments provide students with access to scholarships for degree completion.