

Welcome from the President and CEO of HACU

Welcome to HACU's 2004 Capitol Forum on Hispanic Higher Education, "Capitol Strategies for Hispanic Higher Education Success." Thank you for joining us to support our efforts to call for comprehensive new investments in the college and career success of our country's youngest and largest ethnic population.

Our nation's greatness has been measured largely by our investments in higher education to fuel our innovations, economic strength, social progress and leadership in a world increasingly driven by advanced technologies now demanding the highest levels of knowledge and skills. As a nation, we must make Hispanic higher education a priority in service to a population that will have such a dramatic impact on our economic well-being and security.

HACU represents 359 member and partner colleges and universities that collectively serve more than two-thirds of all Hispanic higher education students in the United States. Our reach extends to important cross-border partnerships in this global economy with our distinguished international member institutions of higher learning.

HACU's 2004 Capitol Forum on Hispanic Higher Education welcomes an illustrious roster of keynote speakers, and the participation of prominent leaders from our HACU member institutions, Congress, the White House, key federal agencies and allied organizations.

We are enriched and inspired by our fellow champions of Hispanic higher education success. We are deeply grateful for the generous support of our Capitol Forum sponsors.

Enjoy your stay in Washington, D.C.

Cordially,

Antonio R. Flores
President and CEO