WHAT: Opportunity to volunteer as a Foundations Summit Interviewer

<u>WHEN</u>: Tuesday, November 29, from 9-10:30am (welcome breakfast 8:30-9am)

WHERE: Rollins College Campus

<u>WHY:</u> Professionalization of Rollins Students, Strengthening connections between Rollins and local professional community

HOW: email Dr. Lucy Littler: crlittler@rollins.edu

Dear local business leader,

Once each semester, Rollins College hosts the Foundations Summit, an in-house academic conference where our capstone students present their culminating general education project to our campus community. The event is now in its 7<sup>th</sup> year and is quickly becoming a campus tradition as over 200 students per semester present a wide variety of interdisciplinary projects.

A key goal of the Foundations Summit is our students' professionalization. In addition to presenting their course project, these juniors and seniors also take part in a "mock job interview." Usually, Summit Interviewers consist of Rollins faculty, administrators, staff, and alumni. This year we hope to add local business leaders like you to this team of volunteers. Because of your "real world" experience and expertise, our students would regard your insights differently than that of their professors, whom they often associate only with the college part of their college-to-career journey.

We'll provide sample interview questions in advance. You can use this script or not; the goal is to engage these students in meaningful conversations about their work, and to prompt them to articulate how they see themselves using what they've learned at Rollins to propel them into the professional world.

In the spring semester, interested Summit Interviewers may be invited back to campus to share their takeaways from this experience with the Rollins general education faculty. We hope that these insights can help faculty better support our students' professionalization.

Dr. Lucy Littler (<u>crlittler@rollins.edu</u>) is the point of contact for any questions. If you're interested in volunteering, please email her by end of day on Friday, November 11. After that date, Dr. Littler will follow up with interested parties about next steps.

Thank you for your support for our students and the Rollins College community!