



THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA

Hispanic Serving Institution Initiatives

HSI Forum

March 23, 2026

U of A Campus Store, Lower Level

8am-12pm

AGENDA

8:00am: Registration & Continental Breakfast

8:30am: *Leading Forward: Academic Vision and Collective Impact*

Patricia A. Prelock, Ph.D., Provost and Chief Academic Officer

8:45am: Welcome; Marla Franco, PhD., Special Advisor, HSI Initiatives

9:00am: *Strategic Imperatives: A Shared Starting Point*; Marla Franco

9:30am: *Grants Development at HSIs: Navigating Today's Landscape, Preparing for What's Next*; Riley McIsaac, Director, HSI Grants Development

9:45am: C- STAR 2025 Award Panel – moderated by Riley McIsaac

10:45am: Strategy-In-Action Breakout “Labs” – moderated by Karla Silva, Ph.D., Director, HSI Initiatives

Lab A: Student Success & Thriving

- What conditions support student success at UA?
- Where do institutional practices create barriers?

Lab B: Community, Belonging & Servingness

- How do we live our commitments to belonging and servingness?
- What structures need rethinking?

Lab C: Research, Teaching & Impact

- How do we better support innovation and collaboration?
- What would increase impact across roles?

11:45am: Announcement of upcoming HSI Initiatives events

11:55am: Closing remarks; Marla Franco