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## CF Foundation receives \$20,000 from Duke Energy for STEM education



Seen here are (from left) College of Central Florida President Dr. James Henningsen, Duke Energy Florida Government and Community Relations Manager Dorothy Pernu, CF Foundation Board Chairman Fred Roberts Jr. and CF Foundation Executive Director Chris Knife.

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**OCALA** — The College of Central Florida Foundation has received a \$20,000 grant from Duke Energy Foundation to fund high school dual enrollment courses for women and minorities.

During the summer of 2018, six credit hours of Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) courses will be offered through the college's Digital Media program, which Duke Energy has supported in the past.

"This is an exciting opportunity for students to expand their knowledge and interest in STEM careers," said Dr. Jennifer Fryns, CF dean of Arts and Education.

Despite a variety of initiatives in secondary and postsecondary education, women and minorities remain largely underrepresented in the STEM workforce.

The \$20,000 contribution will provide an opportunity for 36 high school dual enrolled students in Citrus and Marion counties. Special enrollment information will be available at [www.CF.edu/dual](http://www.CF.edu/dual).

"Supporting educational initiatives is an integral mission of the Duke Energy Foundation," said Harry Sideris, Duke Energy Florida president. "This grant provides

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College of Central Florida students with the opportunity to realize their full potential and create models of success that will have implications for years to come.”

The CF Foundation, founded in 1959, is a not-for-profit, 501(c)(3) corporation that enhances the college’s programs and services through the development and management of private contributions and community partnerships. To learn more, visit [CF.edu/foundation](http://CF.edu/foundation).

The Duke Energy Foundation provides philanthropic support to address the needs of the communities where its customers live and work. The foundation provides more than \$30 million annually in charitable gifts. The foundation’s education focus spans kindergarten to career, particularly science, technology, engineering and math (STEM), early childhood literacy and workforce development. It also supports the environment and community impact initiatives, including arts and culture.

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## CF to offer 5-day warehouse, forklift & OSHA training course

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**OCALA --** The College of Central Florida will offer a five-day Warehouse, Forklift and Occupational Safety and Health Administration training course beginning **Sept. 15** at its Ocala Campus, 3001 S.W. College Road.

Students will learn about basic warehouse processes such as shipping and receiving, inventory control systems, basic forklift operations, and will receive OSHA 10-hour certification.

OSHA training with instructor Tony Vazquez will be **held Sept.15 and 22, from 8 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

Forklift training with instructor B.J. Price will be held **Sept. 16 and 23, from 8 a.m.-5 p.m.** Students must wear long pants and closed-toe shoes for this hands-on instruction.

Warehouse process with instructor Mark Davis will be held Sept. **18, from 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

Students will receive a certificate of completion from CF, a forklift certification card, plus an OSHA 10-hour certification card.

The cost is \$340 per student. Tuition assistance may be available.

**For more information or to register, please contact Bonnie Hays at 352-854-2322, ext. 1855, or [haysb@cf.edu](mailto:haysb@cf.edu).**