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I joined the faculty of the University of Florida in 1999 as an assistant professor in the Department of Molecular Genetics & Microbiology in the College of Medicine. Over the years I have been active in undergraduate, graduate and professional student teaching and mentoring. I also direct a research program in virology.

I have also served the University in various capacities. This is my second term on the Faculty Senate. I have also served on the Graduate Council, Institutional Biosafety Committee (including as Chair), Research and Scholarship Council and the Academic Personnel Board. In the College of Medicine I have served on the Medical and Graduate student admissions committees, Tenure and Promotion Committee and the Academic Status and Graduate Standards Committees. Through this service I continue to be impressed by our campus's amazing diversity and talent.

My first term on the Faculty Senate was during President Charles Young's administration when our current system of Faculty shared governance was debated, voted on and established. Those were exciting times and I was particularly struck by the inter-college dialog and the high level of faculty engagement. Leadership by its Faculty is a hallmark of the most outstanding universities. If elected, I am prepared to devote the time and energy to reach out across our campus and with the goal of increasing faculty engagement. I will listen to needs, and act to amplify our voice as together we help UF rise to the very forefront of the best universities in the U.S.