



FAFSAA Region III Representative Candidacy
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As a candidate for the FASFAA Region III Representative, I am honored for the opportunity to share my experience and knowledge with the financial aid community.

I would like to introduce myself and provide a brief history of my journey through financial aid. I started working as a Federal Work Study student in the Office of Student Financial Assistance of the University of Puerto Rico. After graduating from University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez Campus and after a few years of traveling with my husband throughout his military career we came to Orlando and I started working at the UCF financial aid office. I have been part of the UCF financial aid office family for 25 years. I have managed and coordinated the Federal and Private loan programs as well as the Federal Work Study program.

When I started with the Federal loan program, it was a completely manual process. From the beginning, I have been apart of the development and implementation of the transitions to EFT, to different origination platforms, and finally to Direct Loans. Under my supervision, Federal Direct Loans, Federal Work Study, and Special Programs have been successful in the streamlining and automation of the processes and I continue to work for the benefit and success of our students.

Through my years, I have been a long-standing member of FAFSAA, SASFAA, and NASFAA. I have attended and presented in the organizations' various conferences and trainings. Recognizing the importance and benefits of professional development, I strongly encourage my staff to engage and seek opportunities for growth. I truly believe that the Central Florida financial aid community needs to continue to work together for the success of our students and our institutions. Following that same initiative, I hope to serve as Region III representative. Thank you for your consideration.