Two Engineering Students Receive 2017 Goldwater Honorable Mention

(April 10, 2017) Osniel Quintana, an undergraduate studying computer science, and Sanim Rahman, an undergraduate studying chemical engineering both received honorable mention for the 2017 Goldwater Scholarship. To be consider for this highly competitive scholarship, students must be nominated by their academic institution.

Osniel aspires to obtain a doctoral degree and work in the field of artificial intelligence. Sanim would like to perform research in the areas of neurodegenerative disorders and teach at the university level after obtaining a PhD in biomedical engineering.

The Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation has provided more than 7,600 scholarships since 1986. The foundation was established by Congress to serve as a living memorial to honor the lifetime work of Senator Barry Goldwater, who was a U.S. Senator for 30 years.

The University of South Florida, established in 1956 and located in Tampa, is a high-impact, global research university dedicated to student success. The USF System is comprised of three, separately accredited institutions: USF; USF St. Petersburg; and USF Sarasota-Manatee. Serving more than 49,000 students, the USF System has an annual budget of $1.6 billion and an annual economic impact of $4.4 billion. USF is ranked in the Top 30 nationally for research expenditures among public universities, according to the National Science Foundation. In 2016, the Florida Legislature designated USF as “Emerging Preeminent,” placing USF in an elite category among the state’s 12 public universities. USF is a member of the American Athletic Conference.