A. FACILITIES DEFICIENCIES

The existing Career Resource Center is in the Reitz Union, a prime location to serve students, alumni, faculty/staff and industry partners. The current facilities, however, are inadequate in terms of amount of students and industry partners they are able to serve and the outdated and insufficient technology infrastructure available. The existing space lacks essential multi-functional interactive/classroom space, interview rooms, a lounge for corporate partners, adequate numbers of staff and student offices and work spaces, an executive conference room, smaller areas for student engagement and a lounge for visiting professionals. Current technology is essential throughout the center. In addition, the space needs acoustic control for when events are occurring in the ballroom above.

The proposed solution is to expand and renovate the existing CRC, providing the technologies needed for today’s students in a more comfortable, professional and inviting atmosphere.

B. ALTERNATIVE SOLUTIONS

The space needs are in addition to the spaces that the Career Resource Center currently occupies. The existing space requires a complete renovation.

C. QUANTITATIVE ANALYSIS OF PROGRAM SPACES

A Conceptual Master Plan study was completed by Walker Architects December 13, 2013. The study calculated the programmatic needs based on number of employees, number of students and the types of activities required, discussions with the user group and UF Planning, Design and Construction.

Our current five-year Space Needs Assessment Report calculates our Total FTE, less our on-line FTE, at 29,103, permitting us to build up to 526,459 SF of study space and 357,330 SF of office space. This project will fit well with in our current space needs.

The Size of Spaces and Occupant Criteria Table contained in the State Requirements for Educational Facilities Chapter 6, Section 6.1, Size of Spaces and Occupant Criteria Table was utilized as a guide in the development of the program.

D. PROJECT AND SURVEY RECOMMENDATIONS

Describe any differences between the project and survey recommendations for the project.