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Thank you for your interest in being part of the VOLARÉ Institute, which supports capacity-building for innovative research at Hispanic-Serving Institutions (HSIs).

We look forward to learning more about you and your team members. Please complete this application, which will help us determine eligibility for the institute and inform our decision-making process.

Confidentiality

Please be assured that all information you provide in this application will be kept confidential.

Thank you for taking the time to complete this application. We look forward to reviewing your application.

The answers to this application form may be used for research purposes. **You can apply for the VOLARÉ Institute without consenting to your answers**

being used for research purposes.

There are no foreseeable risks to you if your responses are used for research purposes. Your identity will remain confidential in reports and publications, and data will only be reported in the aggregate. For additional information, please contact, Dr. Jimmy Hernandez at 210-576-3256 or jimmy.hernandez@hacu.net.

Do you agree to have your application responses be used for research purposes? (*Your response does not affect your eligibility or your chances of being accepted*).

○ Yes
○ No

Personnel Information

Please provide the following information for the lead administrator or point of contact.

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First Name

Last Name

Title

Name of institution

Email address

Phone number

Physical address

City

State

Zip code

Please provide the following information for up to two additional core team members that will be participating in the VOLARÉ Institute.

These should be administrators who manage and have influence over the research agenda and enterprise at your institution. A faculty member may be included if they will be instrumental in the growth of STEM research programs at your institution.

Core team member 1

First Name

Last Name

Title

Email address

Core team member 2

First name

Last name

Title

Email address

Please provide a brief (250 word) description of the individuals who will participate in the workshops. Include an explanation of why each person is well-suited to contribute to the project. Justification may include both the position they hold at the institution and their individual skill set(s) that qualifies them for the role.

Institutional Information

In this next section, you will be asked to provide information about your institution and answer a few questions about your institution's research activities, grants, and interest in participating in the VOLARÉ Institute. This includes providing a letter of institutional support.

Please select the type of your institution.

○ 2-year, public

○ 2-year, private

○ 4-year, public

○ 4-year, private

Institutional Information

Number of undergraduate students

Number of Master's students

Number of Ph.D. students

Number of faculty who have authorization to serve as Principal Investigator (PI) on a grant

Number of FTEs supporting the administration of sponsored research (such as pre-award, post-award, award accounting, research development, industry relations, advancement, etc.)

Federal Research Expenditures in 2022 (https://ncsesdata.nsf.gov/profiles/site?method=rankingBySource&ds=herd). If your institution is not listed here, please estimate the value of all sponsored awards received in 2022.

How many **RESEARCH** focused grant proposals (NSF, NIH< DoE, EPA, etc.) has your institution submitted in the last four

years?

Funding to support broadening participation, educational activities, outreach, workshops, etc. should not be included.

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How many grant proposals supporting broadening participation, service provision, educational activities, outreach, workshops, listening sessions, etc. has your institution submitted in the last four years?

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How many **RESEARCH** grants did your institution receive in the past 4 years?

*Only include awards that support **RESEARCH** projects. Funding to support broadening participation, educational activities, outreach, workshops, etc. should not be included.*

What is the dollar value of all **RESEARCH** awards received by your institution in the last 4 years?

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What is the dollar value of all **Non-RESEARCH** awards received by your institution in the last 4 years?

*Only include awards that support **Non-RESEARCH focused** projects. Funding to support broadening participation, educational activities, outreach, workshops, etc. should not be included.*

Please list all the successful/funded projects in the last 2 years.

Please indicate your level of agreement or disagreement to following statement.

Note: This response will not hinder your possibility to participate; it will provide us with an initial self-assessment of readiness.

	Strongly disagree	Disagree	Somewhat disagree	Somewhat agree	Agree	Strongly Agree
My institution's internal administrative infrastructure is sufficient to conceive, justify, and execute a research project.	○	○	○	○	○	○

Please provide a description of the strengths and weaknesses of your institution's internal administrative infrastructure in seeking external research funding.

What are the biggest barriers to increased research activity at your institution? (max. 100 words)

Please share the extent to which your institution's current network of partnerships is helping to sustain research and improve federal program competitiveness (max. 100 words).

What does your institution wish to gain from participating in the VOLARÉ Institute? (max. 100 words)

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How do you see expanded research activity fitting into your Hispanic serving mission? (max. 100 words)

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Please attach a letter of institutional support from your President/Chancellor or Provost/Vice Chancellor for your institution's participation in growing your campus research enterprise infrastructure through the VOLARÉ program.