

1 **DRAFT Resolution 2016-2017-19 Opposition to Replacement of Foreign**
2 **Language Classes by Computer Coding in Florida High Schools**
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4 **Whereas**, the 2017 Florida Legislature may consider Senate Bill 104, the Computer
5 Coding bill, which would in the academic year 2019-2020 allow high school
6 students to substitute computer coding classes for foreign language classes (2
7 credits); and
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9 **Whereas**, currently high school foreign language credits are considered part of the
10 application for undergraduate admissions at UCF; and
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12 **Whereas**, UCF supports international cooperation, understanding, and partnerships
13 by virtue of President Hitt’s third goal: “Provide international focus to our curricula
14 and research programs;” and
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16 **Whereas**, UCF seeks to increase international mobility and enhance the university’s
17 global competency by the recent opening of UCF Global; and
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19 **Whereas**, foreign language study develops a person’s appreciation and
20 understanding of cultures and people across the world; therefore
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22 **Be It Resolved** that the UCF Faculty Senate opposes the effort to replace foreign
23 language classes with computer coding in Florida high schools.