Recipient
University of North Alabama

Project Name
University of North Alabama Micro-Credentials Program

Recipient Address
1 Harrison Plaza, Florence, AL 35634

Amount Requested
$500,000

Project Explanation
UNA is the only 4-year institution in Alabama that is approved to offer micro-credentials. The micro-credentials program is a shorter-term program specifically tailored to meet 21st century workforce demands that allows workers to gain skills relevant to today’s workforce. UNA offers 25+ micro-credentials at the graduate and undergraduate levels, including Healthcare Simulation, Professional Accounting, Global Business, Information Systems, and Medical Spanish. UNA is also able to work with existing and future business and industry to design micro-credentials around their specific workforce needs (“curriculum on-demand”). The requested funding amount will be used to develop new micro-credentials and support existing micro-credentials through program design and equipment purchase. The phases of the development will enhance student improvement, education, and experience. This request will provide funding that will directly impact workers and businesses in Alabama by supporting workforce and economic development. This project will be located within AL04 after the new Census lines take effect.
April 27, 2022

The Honorable Rosa DeLauro  
Chair  
House Committee on Appropriations  
H-307 The Capitol  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Kay Granger  
Ranking Member  
House Committee on Appropriations  
1036 Longworth House Building  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Chair DeLauro and Ranking Member Granger:

I am requesting funding for the University of North Alabama Micro-Credentials Program in fiscal year 2023. The entity to receive funding for this project is University of North Alabama, located at 1 Harrison Plaza, Florence, Alabama 35634.

The funding would be used for the development of and equipment needed for a micro-credentials program at the University of North Alabama (UNA). UNA is the only 4-year institution in Alabama that is approved to offer micro-credentials. The micro-credentials program is a shorter-term program specifically tailored to meet 21st century workforce demands that allows workers to gain skills relevant to today’s workforce. This request will directly impact students, employees, and businesses in Alabama by improving education and supporting workforce and economic development.

I certify that neither I nor my immediate family has any financial interest in this project.

Sincerely,

Robert B. Aderholt  
Member of Congress