



Madeline Pumariega is the president of Miami Dade College and a thought leader in student success, workforce innovation and higher education policy. She is the first female president of the institution. She most recently served as executive vice president and provost of Tallahassee Community College, where she aligned and advanced high-impact practices within the College's three core divisions: academic affairs, student affairs and workforce development.

In 2015, President Pumariega was appointed as the first female and Hispanic chancellor of the Florida College System (FCS). Recognized among the top in the nation, the FCS is composed of 28 colleges, serving nearly 800,000 students, and is committed to maintaining high quality programs in order to meet Florida's growing workforce needs.

Prior to becoming chancellor, President Pumariega served as president of Take Stock in Children, a statewide non-profit focused on breaking the cycle of poverty through education. Take Stock in Children has helped more than 25,000 students who are living in poverty, successfully complete high school and move into post-secondary education and eventual careers.

A product of the college system herself, President Pumariega began her academic career at Miami Dade College and returned to the college as an administrator where she spent 20 years in positions of increasing responsibility, culminating in her role as Wolfson Campus President. While at MDC, she was instrumental in supporting workforce programs by leveraging key partnerships in the community, developing innovative approaches to supporting academic progress and student success so that thousands of youth could access and complete college. President Pumariega believes in giving back and being involved in both statewide and local boards that focus on transforming communities.

President Pumariega is currently a doctoral candidate in higher education at Barry University. She holds a bachelor's degree from St. Thomas University and a master's from Florida Atlantic University. She is the proud mother of a teenage daughter, Alyssa.