

The Talent Lab at FIU in Washington, D.C.

Future of Tech Talent Fly-In – Fall 2021

Tuesday, November 16

11:00am-noon Welcome!

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Eric Feldman & Carlos Becerra, FIU in DC
Janelle Mendez, MITRE

12:30-2:10pm Think Tank Visit: Cato Institute

1000 Massachusetts Ave NW

Matthew Feeney, Director, Project on Emerging Technologies
Pericles Niarchos, Student Programs Manager

2:30-4:45pm Federal Agency Visit: U.S. Department of State

2025 E ST NW

Keith Jones, Chief Information Officer
Dorris Lin, Director of Diversity and Inclusion, Bureau of Information Resource Management

5:30pm Reception

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Wednesday, November 17

9:00-10:30am “Follow the Talent” National Dialogue

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Topic: “Leveraging our Nation’s Minority-Serving Research Institutions to Diversity the Technology Sector”

11:00am-12:00pm HTTP Lunch

La Cosecha, 1280 4 ST NE

Alejandro Roark, Executive Director, Hispanic Technology & Telecommunications Partnership
Diego Zambrano, Professional Staff, House of Representatives Office of Diversity and Inclusion

2:00-3:00pm Hill Visits

Justin Maturo, Legislative Director, Office of Rep. Mark Takano (D, CA-41)

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Carlos Castro, Legislative Assistant, Office of Rep. Carlos Gimenez (R, FL-26)

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4:00-5:00pm Corporate Tech Workforce Policy Panel

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Lemar White, D&I Channel Lead, Google

Thursday, November 18

9:00-10:00am Association Visit: Blockchain Association

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Jacob Hample, Director of Government Affairs and Policy
Cleve Mesidor, Public Policy Advisor

11:00am-11:30am Lunch

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11:30am-1:00pm Policy Hack Group Work

601 New Jersey Ave NW, 9th Floor

1:00pm-3:00pm Policy Presentations & AWS Panel

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Jawann Graves, Systems Developer Manager and President of Amazon’s Black Employee Network
Anne Kierig, Senior Manager for Public Policy

601 New Jersey Ave NW, Suite 730

