

## Ms. Yaricet Ruiz, Academic Services Administrator for the Department of Mechanical Engineering received a 2014 University Outstanding Staff Award

**TAMPA, Fla (April 10, 2015) -** Each year, the University of South Florida System's Outstanding Staff Awards Program recognizes a number of exceptional employees who demonstrate a commitment to the pursuit of excellence and a level of performance that exceeds the values and standards of the university. Nominations for this prestigious award are based off <u>USF's Values</u>.

Ms. Yaricet Ruiz, Academic Services Administrator for the Department of Mechanical Engineering was a recipient of this year's 2014 University Outstanding Staff Award. Selected winners were honored at the Outstanding Staff Awards Ceremony. Yari is an extraordinary staff member in the Department of Mechanical Engineering at the University of South Florida. As one nominator for this award has expressed, "I highly recommend Ms. Ruiz for the Outstanding Staff Award as she has transformed our Mechanical Engineering Department Office into a welcoming, service orientated enterprise that is supported with a superb organizational structure". Another nominator for the faculty and students, and makes sure that their academic needs are addressed without any delays. Yari has always offered to increase services to the faculty and students and enhance operations in the department in creative and innovative ways". Another nominator mentioned "I am nominating Yari because of her wonderful attitude, high intelligence, strong work ethic, excellent communication skills, and great collegiality."