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HONORS PROGRAM TO CELEBRATE LAUNCH OF STUDENT’S MOBILE APP

The USFSP Honors Program will join psychology senior Deshanie Govender in celebrating the launch of her new mobile app, Scan-Rite, an app that enables users to scan photos and other documents, as well as export, share, and convert files to editable text documents—all from their cell phones. A launch party will be held from noon to 1:45 p.m. on Thursday, April 6, in the University Student Center Palm Room.

“We think it’s terrific that students are being innovative and entrepreneurial, and we want to celebrate the student achievement that Deshanie represents,” said Thomas Smith, associate professor of political science at USFSP and director of the USFSP Honors Program.

Govender, 22, partnered with ImagiNET Ventures, a company in India, to create a mobile application that is affordable and accessible. From start to finish, the app took more than two years to create, with her designing, testing, and providing feedback about the app to the company. The inspiration for the app was a diagnosis of endometriosis at age 17.

“It was very difficult being a pre-med student and suffering with pain almost every day. So I also became a note taker for the Office of Disabilities at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, and that’s how I came up with
the idea of creating a mobile application," said Govender. "I wanted to design an app that would be convenient for students and working professionals."

A portion of the app's proceeds will benefit the Endometriosis Foundation of America.