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Mark Koulianos is the Director of the USF Office of Corporate Training and Professional Education. Mark is a believer in the saying “a rising tide lifts all boats” so it is his passion to help create a world class workforce here in the Tampa Bay Area. He does so by weaving his own corporate experiences with the academic prowess of the USF academic community and building and delivering professional workforce development and training programs for individuals and companies in the area. Mark is a USF alum and holds Bachelor’s degrees in International Relations and Accounting. Mark also holds a graduate certificate in Strategic Intelligence and is pursuing his Master’s degree in Entrepreneurship. He spent 20+ years in the corporate world sandwiched between owning his own import/export company that specialized in gourmet coffee and a consulting company that specialized in operations excellence before accepting a position at USF. Mark spent 14 years of his corporate time at the Nielsen Company working in various Finance, Project Management and Operations Management roles and was known as a change agent who delivered results and developed talent around him. He spent the last 7 years travelling the world for Nielsen as Director of Global Operations and specialized in turning around underperforming business units or integrating newly purchased companies’ operations into the Nielsen operations model. In his off time, Mark teaches history for the USF Osher Life Long Learning Institute as well as leadership courses for USF Continuing Education. Mark also loves to travel to Europe, to read and to cook. He also enjoys spending time with his fiancé Peggy and his two sons Caleb and George and on the weekends can be found on the beach or talking politics or history with his friends. A 30+ year resident of Tarpon Springs, FL, he is very proud of that city’s history and culture and enjoys taking people to visit there and giving them private tours of the city.