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Let’s get started

Welcome

Guide to FIU
Welcome to FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Your journey starts now!

Choose from over 200 academic programs.

Learn from faculty and staff who want to help you become the best version of yourself.

Conduct innovative research alongside prestigious faculty at a top-tier research institution.

Explore the world with study abroad programs and global learning opportunities.

Get involved in hundreds of student organizations on campus.

No. 15 in the nation among public universities for patent production
National Academy of Inventors and the Intellectual Property Owners Association

No. 2 PUBLIC UNIVERSITY IN THE STATE, according to the Florida Board of Governors’ 2018 performance scores.

No. 35 programs in the top 100 in the nation among public universities
U.S. News & World Report
ACCEPT YOUR ADMISSION AND SUBMIT YOUR TUITION DEPOSIT

In order to reserve your space, you will need to submit a $200 (non-refundable) tuition deposit. This deposit will be applied to your tuition for your first semester of classes. Your deposit or deposit waiver MUST be submitted prior to starting your orientation. Please visit admissions.fiu.edu/admitted for deposit deadlines and for information on how to request a deposit waiver.

APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID

fafsa.gov onestop.fiu.edu

Complete the FAFSA online at fafsa.gov. FIU’s federal school code for the FAFSA is 009635. Create your Financial Student Aid (FSA) ID at https://studentaid.ed.gov/rfp/index.htm. Reuse your FSA ID every year.

IMPORTANT DATES

October 1: You can now complete your FAFSA beginning October 1. Early completion and timely response to our requests for information will enable us to provide your estimated financial aid offer by January, if not sooner. Financial aid is awarded on an annual basis. Note: if you are starting classes in the summer you must submit two FAFSA applications, one for summer (which is considered the prior academic year) and another for the upcoming academic year. Early award priority date for applicants is December 1.

Check your To Do List at my.FIU.EDU and email for updates.

NOTE: FIU Scholarships are available for qualified U.S. citizens, permanent residents and some international students based on visa type.

FLORIDA BRIGHT FUTURES (available for Florida high school students only) Bright Futures Scholars must list FIU as your first school of choice to ensure FIU receives your Bright Futures Scholarship funds. FIU’s school code for the scholarship is 131. Bright Futures is also available for FIU’s OneCard (student ID) for students who are citizens, permanent residents, and non-citizens with a Green Card.

SUBMIT YOUR IMMUNIZATIONS RECORD

studenthealth.fiu.edu

As a prerequisite to registration, FIU requires all students comply with the following immunization policy regulations from the Florida Board of Governors regarding immunity of Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hepatitis B, and Meningitis. Download all immunization forms at go.fiu.edu/immune. As a prerequisite to registration, FIU requires all students comply with the following immunization policy regulations from the Florida Board of Regents regarding immunity of Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Hepatitis B, and Meningitis. Download all immunization forms at go.fiu.edu/immune. All forms must be signed and stamped by a physician (M.D. or D.O.), a nurse practitioner or a registered nurse and can be mailed, faxed or physically submitted to Student Health Services prior to your scheduled orientation date.

Finalize your admissions file:

Your acceptance to FIU is based on the academic information that was available when the Admissions Office reviewed your application. You may have been admitted with courses in progress. Therefore, it is important that you submit official final transcripts showing your final grades and proof of graduation.

• Your official final transcripts should be submitted as soon as they are available but no later than the end of your first semester at FIU. Failure to submit by the deadline will result in an enrollment hold.
• If you took dual enrollment courses, have the college or university send official transcripts to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Please contact College Board and ACT to submit your official test results.
• Bring hard copies of dual enrollment transcripts or AP exam scores (if applicable) with you to orientation or your advising appointment for appropriate advising.

COMPLETE NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION

All students are required to complete a two-part orientation process. Virtual Orientation is first, and can be accessed through your My.FIU.EDU account under “Orientation”. This online tool highlights university policies, resources and departments, and is available to you throughout your time at FIU. After completion of the Virtual Orientation, you’ll follow the steps below:

FRESHMAN STUDENTS Freshmen admitted for Early Fall and Fall are required to attend a two-day, on-campus orientation program (spring freshmen will have a one-day program). During orientation, you’ll be able to meet with advisors, register for classes, get your FIU OneCard (student ID), tour the campus and learn about the FIU community and resources. During this time, a concurrent orientation session will also be available for families. Visit GO.FIU.EDU/FreshmanOrientation for available dates, how to sign up, and all the details you need to be prepared for your session.

TRANSFER STUDENTS Sign up for a half-day on-campus orientation to take care of your business, meet with Academic Advisors, and register for courses. Further details can be found by visiting GO.FIU.EDU/TransferOrientation.

FULLY ONLINE STUDENTS After completing your virtual orientation set up an appointment with your Academic Advisor through your Panther Success Network in my.FIU.EDU to create your academic plan. If you have questions, please email your Enrollment Coach at onlineprograms@fiu.edu or call 305-348-3125; press 2 then 3.

PANTHER CAMP New FIU students have the unique opportunity to attend Panther Camp — an off-campus extended orientation program — that will allow you to develop relationships with fellow students, faculty and staff; learn more about FIU traditions, resources and involvement opportunities; and much more. Go to GO.FIU.EDU/PantherCamp.

SIGN UP FOR HOUSING

housing.fiu.edu

Whether you take your classes at MMC or BBC, living on campus is a great way to begin your life at FIU. To apply for housing at MMC, go to my.FIU.EDU > Campus Resources > Student Housing. Apply by May 1st to be guaranteed housing and participate in roommate selection. To apply for housing at BBC, visit Bayviewfju.com. For more information send an email to housing@fiu.edu or call us at 305-348-4190.

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NEED HELP WITH YOUR ENROLLMENT?

FIU’s OneStop provides quality, professional service in support of your academic and financial aid objectives. OneStop generalists are skilled in admissions, registration, and financial aid and focus on assisting you with processes that cannot be completed independently. We promote independence in completing admissions, registration, and financial aid to-do list items online through your student portal (my.FIU.edu). Students can visit OneStop located in the Student Access & Success Center (SASC), located next to the Ernest R. Graham Center and Gold Parking Garage. Visit onestop.fiu.edu for hours and information.
How to Register for Classes
If you are a first-time FIU student, you will register for classes during your orientation session. Once you pay your deposit at my.fiu.edu, you will receive dates and details about orientation via your FIU email.

How to Pay for Classes
Prior to the payment deadline (visit onestop.fiu.edu for deadline dates), you will need to accept your Financial Aid award at my.fiu.edu. Follow the “Financial Aid – accept/decline awards” link to ensure that your award is posted as “pending financial aid” for a tuition deferment.

If your pending financial aid award (excluding Federal Work Study) does not cover all your tuition and fees, you are responsible for paying the difference. Most financial aid is based on full-time enrollment (12 credits per semester). Check the Academic Calendar at onestop.fiu.edu for payment deadline information. If your pending aid is greater than your tuition and fees, your payment will be deferred until the disbursement of your financial aid award. The Financial Aid Office begins the disbursement of grants and scholarship aid after the add/drop period for each semester. Tuition may be paid online with a credit card or electronic check/transfer of funds through the “Make a Payment” link found under the “Finances” section of your my.fiu.edu. You can also pay by check or cash at the Student Financial Office in the Student Academic Success Center (SASC), room 101 (MMC) or ACI 140 (BBC). Self-service payment kiosks are available in PC 120 and at SASC 101.

On Campus Services

ACADEMIC ADVISING
advising.fiu.edu     305-348-2892 | 305-919-5754
Each student is assigned an Academic Advisor within their major. The Advisors provides personal academic advising for incoming freshmen. Students all the way through graduation. They also provide guidance on courses that promote and support academic, intellectual, personal, and social growth to help students with their transition to the university. Students can find their assigned Academic Advisor through the Panther Success Network under my.fiu.edu.

ATHLETICS
fsuports.com     305-348-8932
FIU Athletics has grown tremendously since its inception almost 40 years ago. FIU is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) and Conference USA for 18 men’s and women’s athletic programs. As an FIU student, you are admitted to all regular season home events free of charge with your FIU OneCard.

CAREER AND TALENT DEVELOPMENT
career.fiu.edu     305-348-2423 | 305-919-5770 | 305-348-1281
Career and Talent Development is dedicated to helping you make your career dreams a reality. Through workshops, career assessments and partnerships with employers in South Florida and around the globe, the Career and Talent Development team is committed to helping you get an early start on your career path at three on-campus locations.

CENTRE FOR STUDENT ENGAGEMENT
cse.fiu.edu     305-348-3840
A successful first year is critical for academic and developmental achievement in college. The Center for Student Engagement supports the transition and retention of new students by developing programs, events, and opportunities that facilitate your campus engagement and foster academic success.

DINING
pantherdining.com     305-348-0088 | 305-919-5558
Panther Dining offers a variety of foods and a great selection of meal plans to make dining convenient, tasty and fun. Meal plans save up to 41% vs. a la carte, whether you live on-campus or off-campus. You can dine at Art Street Campus Kitchen and 29 other restaurants and retail locations at MMC and BBC. You can buy your meal plan through my.fiu.edu or cash/credit/debit or via easy payments at the Panther Dining Office in GC 1215 (MMC) or on pantherdining.com

FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE COURSE
firstyear.fiu.edu     305-348-2020
This transition to a university environment is unique as one for first time university students. FIU’s First Year Experience course is designed to facilitate this transition. The course provides a forum for integrating the FIU experience and for discussing issues promoting intellectual, personal, academic, social growth and success as a member of the University community. It addresses university policies, procedures, and services; addresses academic and career choices; and enhances study and time-management skills. All students entering the University with fewer than 30 semester hours are required to take this one-credit course, SLS 1501 First-Year Experience.

FIU ONLINE
online.fiu.edu     305-348-3125
FIU’s fully online students benefit from a wealth of support services, including enrollment coordinators, success coaches, and academic advisors, all working together to keep you on track from your first day of classes to graduation day. At FIU Online, you’re part of a vibrant community of students and faculty from around the world. Earning your degree is a shared experience, and we’ll be with you every step of the way.

HOUSING
housing.fiu.edu     305-348-4190
Studies show that students who live on campus are more involved in academic and co-curricular activities, more satisfied with their overall university experience, and tend to succeed academically at a higher rate than students who live off campus. At FIU, living on-campus means you can sleep in and walk to class, and you have the opportunity to meet a ton of new people and make long-lasting memories! Apply today at my.fiu.edu/campus-resources/student-housing.

PARKING AND TRANSPORTATION
parking.fiu.edu     305-348-3615 | 305-919-5558
All vehicles parked on-campus at a non-metered space are required to have a valid virtual permit, which is linked to your vehicle license plate. Please remember, head in parking only. We offer transportation on and between campuses. To obtain your permit, view shuttle schedules or obtain additional information, visit our website or call our Customer Care Center.

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES
studenthealth.fiu.edu     305-348-2401 | 305-919-5620
The mission of FIU’s Student Health Services is to provide affordable and accessible student-focused medical care and promote healthy lifestyles through education, mentorship and research activities. Ambulatory health care centers are located at both the BBC and MMC to serve your health care needs in a convenient and student-friendly environment.

VETERAN AND MILITARY AFFAIRS
go.fiu.edu/veterans     305-348-2838
FIU’s Office of Veteran and Military Affairs is here to assist Veterans, Active Duty Members, Guard/Reservists, Dependents and Spouses of the U.S. Armed Forces with educational benefits from the VA and DoD. We can also provide in state tuition waivers for those who qualify under Florida law. Visit or contact our office for further information or assistance.

WELLNESS AND RECREATION CENTERS
go.fiu.edu/recreation     305-348-2575 | 305-919-5678
Panthers can work out their stress, challenge themselves and get into shape with recreation centers on both campuses. Each facility features state-of-the-art exercise equipment, group fitness classes, and individualized personal training. Each campus hosts intramural sports like dodgeball and soccer, offers Sport Clubs like Mudchute and Rugby, and BBC features watersports on the bay.

50 states.
130 countries.
1 Panther family.
Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act

Under the Student Right-to-Know and Campus Security Act, Florida International University will, upon request, make available to students the completion or graduation rates of certificate or full-time degree-seeking students for a one-year period. Also, available upon request, are university policies regarding procedures for reporting criminal actions or other emergencies; access to campus facilities; campus law enforcement; crime prevention programs; statistics concerning arrests and the occurrence on campus of certain criminal offenses; criminal activity of off-campus student organizations, and the use, possession, and sale of illegal drugs or alcohol. This information can be obtained from the Department of Public Safety or the Office of Undergraduate Admissions.