

## Intercollegiate Athletics

FIU is a member of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), and the Sun Belt Conference for 16 men's and women's athletic programs. The men's soccer program is a member of Conference USA. The university has competed at the NCAA Division I level (the highest classification offered by the NCAA) since September of 1987. Prior to that FIU competed successfully at the Division II level since 1972. Programs and services in Intercollegiate Athletics provide an opportunity for student-athletes to develop their athletic skills and leadership abilities in an educational setting. Much emphasis is placed on the student as a student-athlete to ensure intellectual, emotional and social well being.

### ATHLETICS TEAM MEMBERSHIP

Athletic team membership is open to all full-time students, who meet NCAA eligibility requirements and are enrolled for 12 credits. Women's programs consist of basketball, volleyball, soccer, golf, tennis, track, softball, cross-country, and swimming. Men's programs consist of basketball, football, soccer, baseball, track, and cross-country. To be eligible for intercollegiate competition, the university and NCAA require each student-athlete to be in good academic standing and make satisfactory progress toward a degree. Team membership is determined in a manner which does not discriminate based on race, gender, national origin, marital status, age, or disability.

Financial assistance is available to all students recruited for all 17 athletic teams. Assistance may include grants, scholarships, loans or self-help programs. To be eligible for financial assistance, each student-athlete must be in good academic standing and make satisfactory progress toward a degree.

### ATHLETIC FACILITIES

The Athletic Department utilizes eight facilities that serve as the sites for athletic, educational, and recreational activities.

Phase I of the **FIU Football Stadium** was opened in Fall 2008. The stadium features over 15,000 permanent seats, 1,400 club seats, an upper concourse and 19 full service luxury suites. In addition to the suites the stadium features a 6,500 sq. ft. **Stadium Club**, which is a multi-purpose banquet hall that can be used for various events such as weddings, banquets, conferences and pre-game parties. The stadium is the home of our intercollegiate football program. During the fall, the facility is also used to host many Miami-Dade County Schools high school football games.

Located in the West end zone bleachers of the FIU Football Stadium is the R. Kirk Landon Field House. The R. Kirk Landon **Field House** is a 55,000 sq ft facility that houses the FIU intercollegiate football team, coaches, and staff. The University Credit Union Box Office is located at the west entrance to the field house and services all FIU sports. The first floor is equipped with a spacious team locker room, coaches' locker room, and sports medicine and equipment areas. It also houses a 12,000 sq ft weight room that accommodates all FIU intercollegiate student-athletes. The second floor is complete with 5 meeting/class rooms that overlook the field, as well as 2

other meeting/class rooms with one being over 3,000 square feet.

The **U.S. Century Bank Arena** is home to our intercollegiate men's and women's basketball teams as well as our women's volleyball team. It is a multi-purpose facility with a seating capacity for 5,150 and is the venue for our convocation and graduation ceremonies. The main floor can hold four volleyball courts and two basketball courts. The two auxiliary gyms can each hold one basketball court or a volleyball court. Also housed in the arena are seven classrooms and six locker rooms.

The **Baseball Stadium** is the home to our intercollegiate baseball team. The stadium has a seating capacity of 2000, and offers a luxurious suite with a capacity of 20 overlooking the field. The Baseball Stadium also has 3 covered batting cages located just outside the left field fence.

The **FIU Soccer Stadium** is the home of our intercollegiate men's and women's soccer programs. This lighted soccer stadium seats 1,500 and the dimensions of the field span 120 yards in length by 70 yards in width.

The **FIU Tennis Center** has twelve lighted courts and is home to the women's tennis program. Six courts are open for daily recreational play.

The **FIU Softball Stadium** houses our intercollegiate softball program and seats 300. It is equipped with two batting cages, and 3 bullpen areas located outside the outfield walls.

FIU students are admitted to all regular season intercollegiate athletic home games free of charge. Presentation of a valid university identification card is required.

For additional information please call: FIU Athletic Facilities 348-3258; visit the website at [fiusports.com](http://fiusports.com) or call the University Credit Union Box office at 348-4263 (**FIU-GAME**).

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