

University Information

MISSION

Florida International University is an urban, multi-campus, public research university serving its students and the diverse population of South Florida. We are committed to high-quality teaching, state-of-the-art research and creative activity, and collaborative engagement with our local and global communities.

VISION

Florida International University will be a leading urban public research university focused on student learning, innovation, and collaboration.

VALUES

Florida International University is committed to the following core values:

- Truth—in the pursuit, generation, dissemination, and application of knowledge
- Freedom—of thought and expression
- Respect—for diversity and the dignity of the individual
- Responsibility—as stewards of the environment and as citizens of the world
- Excellence—in intellectual, personal, and operational endeavors

THE UNIVERSITY

Florida International University, a member institution of the State University System of Florida, was established by the Florida Legislature in 1965. Classes began in September 1972, with 5,667 students enrolled in upper division and graduate programs – the largest opening day enrollment in U.S. collegiate history. In 1984, FIU received authority to begin offering degree programs at the doctoral level. The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching ranks FIU as a Research University in the High Research Activity Category.

The University is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, the nation's oldest and most distinguished academic honor society. Florida International University offers more than 175 baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degree programs in the following colleges and schools: College of Architecture and The Arts (School of Architecture); College of Arts and Sciences (School of International and Public Affairs, School of Environment, Arts, and Society, School of Integrated Science and Humanity); College of Business Administration (School of Accounting, Chapman Graduate School, and Landon Undergraduate School of Business); College of Education; College of Engineering and Computing (School of Computing and Information Sciences and OHL School of Construction); College of Law; Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine; College of Nursing and Health Sciences; Honors College; Robert Stempel College of Public Health and Social Work (School of Social Work); School of Journalism and Mass Communication; and Chaplin School of Hospitality and Tourism Management.

FIU has more than 48,000 students, 1,000 full-time faculty, and 180,000 degrees awarded, making it the largest university in South Florida and placing it among the

nation's largest colleges and universities. The University has two campuses – Modesto A. Maidique Campus in western Miami-Dade County and the Biscayne Bay Campus in northeast Miami-Dade County. A shuttle bus runs continuously between the two campuses throughout the day. FIU offers programs at the Pines Educational Center in adjacent Broward County and Downtown on Brickell in Miami. Additionally, numerous programs are offered at off-campus locations and online.

MODESTO A. MAIDIQUE CAMPUS

The Modesto A. Maidique Campus is a 344-acre site on the western edge of Miami, the center of a metropolitan area of almost four million people. Apartment-style residence halls, a nationally certified environmental preserve, and athletic facilities all contribute to a pleasant collegiate atmosphere on Modesto A. Maidique Campus, which is also Florida International University's largest campus. FIU's Modesto A. Maidique Campus (MMC) has impressive campus architecture, lush tropical landscaping, a Sculpture Park, and the eight-story Green Library. There is also a state-of-the-art performing arts center, a recreation center, an expanded university center, a 4,500 seat U.S. Century Bank Arena and a football stadium. Modesto A. Maidique Campus also has laboratories, auditoriums, music and art studios, an art museum, an international conference theater, and an experimental theater. There is a wide variety of clubs and student organizations on campus to meet the professional, service, athletic, social, and cultural needs of the FIU community.

FIU's libraries at Modesto A. Maidique Campus and Biscayne Bay Campus have more than 2 million volumes and 103,000 serials including journals (5,000 online), electronic databases, numerous resources in other formats along with substantial holdings of federal, state, local, and international documents, maps, institutional archives, and curriculum materials.

Housing and Residential Life provides a wide variety of living accommodations on campus. Residence halls at Modesto A. Maidique Campus include Panther Hall, Everglades Hall, University Park Towers, University Apartments, and Lakeview Housing. Housing staff assist students in selecting accommodations to meet their particular needs. Housing for married students is available on a limited basis. Graduate housing is also limited and applications should be submitted as early as possible.

BISCAYNE BAY CAMPUS

The Biscayne Bay Campus of Florida International University is located on 200 acres on the waterfront of Biscayne Bay and has an enrollment over 7,000 students. The campus is headquarters for academic programs in Hospitality and Tourism Management, Journalism and Mass Communication, Marine Science, and Creative Writing. Course work in Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, Architecture and the Arts, Computer Science, Nursing, and Criminal Justice are also offered (for specific degree programs please refer to Academic Programs in this catalog).

The campus houses the Glen Hubert Library, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, and the Roz and Cal Kovens

Conference Center, a state-of-the art conference facility located on Biscayne Bay.

Apartment-style residential housing on the Biscayne Bay Campus accommodates almost 300. The Wolfe University Center is the focal point of all student activities including clubs and entertainment, student life, and dining facilities. The campus houses a Recreational Facility including an Olympic size pool, and also provides a Health and Wellness Center.

BROWARD PINES CENTER

Florida International University has brought higher education closer to home for thousands of South Broward residents through its Broward Pines Center at the Academic Village in Pembroke Pines. Classes are held in a 90,000 square-foot facility that includes classrooms, computer labs, case study rooms, a student lounge and a 450-seat auditorium.

Select programs at the bachelor's, master's and doctoral level are being offered by the College of Arts and Sciences, College of Business Administration, College of Education, and the College of Engineering and Computing. For specific degree programs, please refer to the Broward Pines Center link on the University home page, as well as the relevant pages in this catalog. In addition to degree-seeking programs, the English Language Institute and University College offer non-credit courses.

Students attending the Broward Pines Center benefit from computer labs and access to the resources of both the FIU libraries (Modesto A. Maidique Campus and Biscayne Bay Campus) and the Broward County Southwest Regional Library. The Broward Student Government Association sponsors social and cultural events that provide students with opportunities to enhance their experiences outside of the classroom.

DOWNTOWN ON BRICKELL

In September 2011, FIU inaugurated FIU Downtown on Brickell. Consisting of 60,000 square feet at 1101 Brickell Avenue, Downtown on Brickell includes multi-purpose classrooms, a reception space, leadership and faculty offices and a dining area. With its prime location, FIU Downtown on Brickell provides working professionals a convenient place to further their education. A range of master level business programs are offered at the venue. Graduate public administration and global governance academic programs complement the business offerings. Downtown on Brickell is also home to the College of Arts and Sciences' Metropolitan Center, a public affairs center that focuses on economic development, land use, housing, and applied social research.

For more information on FIU Downtown on Brickell programs, please visit <http://downtwn.fiu.edu/>.

MIAMI BEACH URBAN STUDIOS

Inaugurated in Fall 2011, the College of Architecture and The Arts' new studio on Miami Beach, Florida, houses graduate design studios for students studying architecture, landscape architecture and interior architecture. In addition, the 16,000 square feet of space at 420 Lincoln Road, known as the Miami Beach Urban Studios (MBUS), offers practice rooms for music students, exhibition and

graduate studios for visual arts students, performance spaces for theatre students, and classrooms for communication arts students. MBUS also serves as the home of the newly established Office of Engaged Teaching, Scholarship, and Creative Activities. In close proximity to the New World Symphony, The Wolfsonian-FIU and the Bass Art Museum, MBUS represents a commitment to broaden collaboration with other cultural institutions in South Beach.

For more information on MBUS, please visit <http://carta.fiu.edu/about-us/where-welearn/facilities/mbus/index.html>.

ACCREDITATIONS

All academic programs of Florida International University are approved by the Florida Board of Education, the FIU Board of Trustees and the Florida Board of Governors. Florida International University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate, baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral degrees. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call (404) 679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Florida International University. SACS reaffirmed FIU's accreditation on December 6, 2010. Degree programs at FIU are accredited or approved by the appropriate specialized accreditation agency, or are pursuing full accreditation or approval. To obtain information about the specialized accreditation agencies, their criteria and review process, contact the Chairperson/Director of the respective degree program. The professional accrediting agencies and the respective FIU degree programs are listed in alphabetical order below.

Anesthesiology Nursing

Council on Accreditation of Nurse Anesthesia
Educational Programs (CoA-NA)
American Association of Nurse Anesthetists (AANA)

Architecture

National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB)

Art Education

National Association of Schools of Art and Design
Commission on Accreditation (NASAD)

Art History

National Association of Schools of Art and Design
Commission on Accreditation (NASAD)

Art Museums

American Association of Museums

Athletic Training

Commission on Accreditation of Athletic Training
Education (CAATE)

Business

Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of
Business (AACSB) International

Chemistry

American Chemical Society (ACS)

Computer Science

Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology
(ABET)

Construction Management

American Council for Construction Education
Board of Trustees (ACCE)

Counselor Education

Council for Accreditation of Counseling and Related
Educational Programs (CACREP)

Dietetics and Nutrition

Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics
Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and
Dietetics (ACEND)

Education

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education
(NCATE)

Engineering

Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology,
Inc. (ABET)

Forensic Science

American Academy of Forensic Sciences

Interior Architecture

Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA)
(formerly FIDER)

Journalism and Mass Communication

Accrediting Council on Education in Journalism and
Mass Communications (ACEJMC)

Landscape Architecture

American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA)
Landscape Architectural Accreditation Board (LAAB)

Law

American Bar Association (ABA)

Medicine

Association of American Medical Colleges (LCME)

Music

National Association of Schools of Music
Commission on Accreditation (NASM)

Nursing

Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE)

Occupational Therapy

American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA)
Accreditation Council for Occupational Therapy
Education (ACOTE)

Physical Therapy

American Physical Therapy Association (APTA)
Commission on Accreditation in Physical Therapy
Education (CAPTE)

Public Administration

National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and
Administration (NASPAA)
Commission on Peer Review and Accreditation
(COPRA)

Public Health

Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)

Social Work

Council on Social Work Education Office of
Social Work Accreditation and Educational
Excellence (CSWE)

Speech Language Pathology

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
Council on Academic Accreditation in Audiology &
Speech-Language Pathology (ASHA)

Theatre

National Association of Schools of Theatre
Commission on Accreditation (NAST)