

President Mark B. Rosenberg



Dear Graduate Students:

Welcome to FIU!

As one of the largest public research universities in the country, FIU plays a critical role in our community's and nation's future. We recognize the many challenges in our world today and we are committed to doing what is right. One of the things that is special about our FIU is that our students, faculty, staff and alumni have a shared sense of purpose: we want to leave this world a better place than we found it.

We demonstrate this commitment every single day by standing up to some of society's most pressing concerns – from sea level rise, transportation, to prevalent health concerns and more. We have a special kind of drive and determination that take our research efforts from the Arctic to Aquarius, the world's only underwater laboratory. We're constantly accelerating our research. In fact, FIU is in the top tier of research universities in the U.S., according to the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education.

Today, FIU offers more than 190 nationally and internationally recognized bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs in business, engineering, nursing, public health, architecture and other disciplines.

Innovation and entrepreneurship is at the heart of what we do at FIU. We have some of the most outstanding nationally and internationally recognized full-time faculty in the world. They are leading by example. From a new way to fight cancer to a tool that provides early intervention for glaucoma, our faculty are always pushing the boundaries of innovation and technology. Many have produced groundbreaking projects that have received U.S. patents! FIU is on track to make the list of top 100 universities in the world for granted U.S. utility patents in the next few years.

Additionally, in 2016 we launched StartUP FIU to give our students and community a place to bring their ideas and launch their ventures, as well as develop and commercialize new, groundbreaking technologies. We also launched StartUP FIU FOOD so that food entrepreneurs in Miami can have access to our Chaplin School of Hospitality & Tourism Management's state-of-the-art food laboratories and grow their businesses. In Fall 2017, the Ratcliffe Arts + Design Incubator was launched, in partnership with StartUP FIU. This unique program is located at BBC, and is among the most innovative arts entrepreneurship spaces housed at a public university in South Florida!

Through the Green Family Foundation NeighborhoodHELP program, our students have changed the lives of local families from underserved neighborhoods in Miami-Dade County. From June 2016 through June 2017, our students conducted 2,247 visits to 465 households, impacting 1,343 people. It's also driving out breast cancer with the Linda Fenner 3D Mobile Mammography Center. During this period, we provided screenings to 661 women.

Graduate education is central to the research core of FIU's mission. Our graduate students, under the expert guidance of our faculty, are making a major impact. Graduates from our professional schools and colleges have become leaders in corporate, nonprofit and governmental sectors throughout the world. Whatever your intellectual desires and career objectives may be, you will find at FIU the resources and opportunity to fulfill your personal and professional goals. We are so honored to welcome you to the FIU family! You are now a part of something very important and something that will be with you forever. You are on your way to making a tremendous impact in our community for generations to come.

Dean Andrés G. Gil



Dear Graduate Students:

We welcome you to explore the many offerings of our graduate programs here at FIU. FIU has the highest Carnegie Research Classification, “Research I: Highest Research Activity.” The reputation of a research university is based in large part by the quality of its graduate faculty. However, graduate students are also key contributors to the University’s reputation and active contributors to the University’s intellectual and creative environment. Through its graduate faculty members, FIU offers graduate programs of the highest quality.

The Graduate Catalog provides information and resources to those interested in graduate education programs at FIU, including the full range of programs and courses available. We offer a wide range of graduate programs to satisfy virtually every personal or professional pursuit. We have over 120 graduate degree programs including an extensive array of doctoral, masters and graduate-level certificate programs. Florida International University is a young, vibrant and diverse university with a graduate population of over 8,000 students and an overall enrollment of over 56,000 students. We have an active Graduate Student Association and other avenues for graduate involvement on campus through the University Graduate School and other student services offices.

At FIU, we take pride in designing graduate programs that prepare our students to be future leaders in their fields and to be knowledge creators. Our graduate faculty are worlds ahead scholars producing new discoveries to solve the challenges facing our nation and the world. Our focus on research-integrated graduate curricula, and the rich cultural diversity of our campus and South Florida, provide the graduate students with the most exciting and dynamic learning environment at FIU.

FIU also offers excellent infrastructure for cutting-edge graduate work. We have modern, well equipped laboratories, and ample computer facilities and support. We also boast one of the largest libraries in the State University System. All of this is available to our graduate students to help them achieve their goals in a timely manner and obtain the postgraduate appointments they desire. We also have excellent professional training and development opportunities designed to prepare the graduate students to be successful in their chosen careers.

We are glad you have chosen to be a part of our rich academic culture, and we are committed to providing you with the most stimulating learning environment.