

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 190 baccalaureate, master's and doctoral degree programs in the following colleges and schools: College of Arts, Sciences and Education (School of Education and Human Development, School of Environment, Arts, and Society and School of Integrated Science and Humanity); College of Business (School of Accounting, Chapman Graduate School, and Landon Undergraduate School of Business); College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts (School of Communication and Journalism and School of Music); College of Engineering and Computing (School of Computing and Information Sciences and Moss School of Construction, Infrastructure and Sustainability); College of Law; Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine; Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing and Health Sciences; Honors College; Robert Stempel College of Public Health and Social Work (School of Social Work); Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs, and Chaplin School of Hospitality and Tourism Management.

FIU has more than 55,000 students, 1,614 full-time faculty, and over 9,000 degrees awarded annually, making

it the largest university in South Florida and placing it among the ten 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, a branch campus, in northeast Miami-Dade County. A shuttle bus runs continuously between the two campuses throughout the day. FIU offers programs at the FIU at I-75 academic center in adjacent Broward County and the FIU Downtown on Brickell academic center 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 Wertheim Performing Arts Center, a recreation center, a health and wellness center, an expanded university center, a 4,500 seat FIU 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 house volumes and serials including print and online journals electronic databases, numerous resources in other formats along with substantial holdings of federal, state, local, and international documents, maps, institutional archives, and curriculum materials. Law and Medical libraries are on the Modesto A. Maidique Campus.

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, Parkview Hall, and Lakeview Housing. Housing staff assist students in selecting accommodations to meet their particular needs. All are single gender accommodations. There are no co-ed, family, or married housing offerings.

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 6,000 students. The campus is headquarters for academic programs in Hospitality and Tourism Management; Communication and Journalism; Marine Science; and Creative Writing. Course work in Arts, Sciences and Education; Business Administration; Communication, 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.

A residential complex living accommodation is available on the Biscayne Bay Campus. The Wolfe University Center is the focal point of all student activities including clubs and entertainment, student life, and dining facilities.

FIU at I-75

Florida International University has brought higher education closer to home for thousands of South Broward residents through its academic center, FIU at I-75. Located at 1930 SW 145th Avenue in Miramar, classes are held in an 89,000 square-foot LEED-certified facility shared with Broward College. The center includes classrooms, computer labs, case study rooms, administrative offices, student collaborative areas and a dining facility.

Select programs at the bachelor's and master's level are being offered by the College of Arts, Sciences and Education; College of Business; Steven J. Green School of International and Public Affairs; and the College of Engineering and Computing. Non-Credit programs and current courses are offered.

Students attending FIU at I-75 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 Public libraries. The Biscayne Bay Campus and FIU at I-75 Student Government Association sponsors social and cultural events that provide students with opportunities to enhance their experiences outside of the classroom. For more information on FIU at I-75 and its program offerings, please visit <http://broward.fiu.edu>

FIU DOWNTOWN ON BRICKELL

FIU Downtown on Brickell consists of 60,000 square feet at 1101 Brickell Avenue. FIU 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. FIU Downtown on Brickell is also home to the College of Arts, Sciences and Education's 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://dwntwn.fiu.edu/>.

MIAMI BEACH URBAN STUDIOS

The Miami Beach Urban Studios (MBUS) is a unique 16,000sf facility in the 420 Lincoln Road Building that hosts an interdisciplinary array of innovative exhibitions, classes, research laboratories, and events for the College of Communication, Architecture + The Arts (CARTA). It also houses affiliated institutions (Sea Level Solutions Center, The Amernet String Quartet, ARC+, and

temporarily, the Miami Urban Future Initiative). MBUS contains the 3,500sf Knight-sponsored CARTA Innovation Lab, which with over 33 3D printers is one of the largest 3D printing laboratories of its kind in the United States. The lab was selected to be a participant in the HD/EDUCAUSE Building the Campus of the Future Project. In the broadest sense, MBUS provides a platform for people to explore new ideas in arts, design, technology, and the sciences.

For more information on MBUS, please visit <http://mbus.fiu.edu>.

ACCREDITATIONS

All academic programs of Florida International University (FIU) are approved by the Florida Board of Education, the FIU Board of Trustees and the Florida Board of Governors. FIU is accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) 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 FIU. SACSCOC reaffirmed FIU's accreditation on December 6, 2010. General inquiries about FIU, such as admission requirements, financial aid, educational programs, etc., should be addressed directly to the appropriate FIU department and not the Commission's office. 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.

Accounting

Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB)

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

Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND)

Education

Council for the Accreditation of Education Professionals (CAEP)

Engineering

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

Forensic Science

American Academy of Forensic Sciences

Health Informatics

Commission on Accreditation for Health Informatics and Information Management Education (CAHIM)

Healthcare

Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Management Education

Hospitality and Tourism Management

Accreditation for College Programs in Hospitality Administration

Interior Architecture

Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA)

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

Liaison Committee for Medical Education (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 Assistant

Accreditation Review Commission on Education for the Physical Assistant

Physical Therapy

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

Psychology (Clinical Science)

American Psychological Association (APA)

Public Administration

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

Public Health

Council on Education for Public Health (CEPH)

School Psychology

National Association of School Psychologists (NASP)

Social Work

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

Speech Pathology and Audiology

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)