GENERAL INFORMATION

AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA)

The Disability Resource Center is responsible for student accommodations which include the provision of auxiliary aids and services to ensure equal access to academic programs, services, activities and facilities.

Students who feel that they have been harassed or discriminated against on the basis of their disability, in violation of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the ADA, or other applicable law, may file a formal or informal complaint under the College’s Harassment Policy and Procedure, as set forth in the College Handbook.

The Director of Equal Opportunity Programs and Diversity is the University’s ADA Coordinator and has responsibility for ensuring access to employment, academic and public programs for persons with disabilities and investigating ADA complaints.

CAMPUS LIFE

The Department of Campus Life creates learning and leadership opportunities that expose students to a diversity of ideas and experiences and develop the following skills: leadership, communication, problem-solving, program planning, organization, implementation, evaluation, and most importantly, the opportunity to Get Involved on Campus. Activities such as planning Homecoming events, Student Government, movies, athletic events, pep rallies, concerts, comedy shows, lecture series, multicultural theme weeks, and community service are a few of the fun and educational programs offered through the department. Students may form additional organizations and clubs that promote the University’s educational mission and the development of one’s personal attributes. Campus Life activities are co-curricular and cover all aspects of the educational experiences and personal growth of students. Over 210 registered organizations exist to enrich campus life and contribute to the social, cultural, and academic growth of students.

The Department of Campus Life includes the Student Government Association, Black Student Union, Council for Student Organizations (MMC), Student Organizations Council (BBC), Student Programming Council, Honors Council, Greek Organizations, Multifaith Council, Homecoming Council, and Panther Power (BBC).

Location: GC 2240, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-2138; WUC 141, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5804.

CAREER SERVICES

Career Services (CS) assists registered students at all University locations with career plans and employment needs across academic disciplines, and with all types of employers: business and industry, education, technology, government, science, construction, manufacturing, telecommunications, transportation, military and defense, and consumer products and services that may be for-profit or non-profit. CS works closely with the CS offices that are located in the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management, College of Business Administration, and College of Law. CS’s high-tech and high-touch philosophy offers 24-7 services plus individualized attention through intake hours and one-on-one appointments.

CS encourages students to register with the office immediately after enrolling in classes—whether as a freshman, a transfer, or a graduate student. The office can help you identify a major, find an internship, or locate a career that is right for you. Get involved with Career Services. Our programs and services include:

- **CAREER DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT** - This area offers career interest tools assessments, group and individual appointments, as well as workshops for those desiring to identify their next educational and/or career path.
- **INTERNSHIPS AND COOPERATIVE EDUCATION** - We assist students in identifying and securing practical experience in their chosen major. Assignments include part-time as well as full-time employment. Internships and Cooperative Education often provide a salary and academic credit with assignments possible at local, national, or international levels. These experiences have been found to significantly increase the possibility of gaining full-time career employment at time of graduation.
- **EMPLOYMENT UPON GRADUATION** - Students are encouraged to become fully registered with CS, this allows you to take full advantage of the Campus Interview Program, Resume Referral Service, and Online Job Vacancies. You will also receive regular e-mails about networking opportunities and job fairs.
- **DELTA EPSILON IOTA** – This is an academic honor society dedicated to enhancing student leadership skills, career development, and networking opportunities with employers. The society supports the mission, vision, and goals of the Career Services Office. Membership is open to undergraduate and graduate students across all academic units who meet the 3.3 GPA requirement and have earned at least 30 semester hours.

CS also provides specialized workshops like business etiquette lunches/dinners, dress for success seminars, salary negotiating, interviewing effectively, and how to network. Other activities include resume critiques, practice interviews, and advance interviewing. The office has video conference capabilities for interviewing. Location: GC 230, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-2423; WUC 225, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5770; EC 2780, Engineering, (305) 348-1281.

Web site: [http://www.fiu.edu/~career](http://www.fiu.edu/~career)

CHILDREN’S CREATIVE LEARNING CENTER

Established in 1975, the Children's Creative Learning Center, an Educational Research Center for Child Development, is a SACS accredited, Gold Seal Program. The center, a department within the Division of Students Affairs, is located on the Modesto A. Maidique Campus and offers an array of programs for young children.

A full-day developmentally appropriate hands-on early education program is available for children of students, faculty, staff, alumni, and the neighboring community.

The program serves children who have achieved bathroom independence between the ages of 2 ½ through
COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES

Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) provides a variety of services and resources designed to help students achieve and maintain optimum mental health. Students can also strengthen and develop: coping skills; decision-making abilities; identification and management of stressors; and communications skills. In addition, psycho-educational workshops and seminars focusing on mental health issues are also available to the university community throughout the academic year. Students and the university community can utilize services in person or online.

Caps services include:
- Individual, group, and couples therapy for issues such as: anxiety, depression, stress, grief, and interpersonal and relationship problems
- In-person screenings for substance abuse and eating disorders
- Psychological and neurological testing
- Biofeedback
- Crisis intervention
- Psychiatric services
- Victim advocacy support services, such as:
  - Assistance in accessing community and university resources, and helping students understand the different options available to them during or after experiencing actual or threatened abuse or violence. This information is also available to students who may want resources for someone they know.
  - Help with issues related to relationship abuse, sexual assault, stalking, assault and battery, homicide of friend or relative, hate crimes, harassment, and re-emergence of problems as a result of a past abuse such as childhood sexual abuse.
  - Other services available (according to the wishes of the victim) are:
    - Safety planning
    - Understanding and navigating the criminal justice system
    - Assistance in making police reports (if desired)
    - Petitioning the court for an injunction for protection ("restraining order")
    - Finding legal assistance
    - Finding emergency safe shelter
    - Communicating with professors and/or other parties as requested by the victim
    - Help with university administrative procedures
    - Student conduct proceedings
    - Escort to appointments, hearings, and medical facilities
    - Help with other solutions that may be necessary

CAPS online programs include:
- Workshops for time management, anger management, and stress management
- Screenings for anxiety, depression, eating disorders, and bipolar disorder
- Student Bodies—a program for women that focuses on developing healthy eating and exercise habits
- PASS—a program designed to improve student academic and personal functioning

Location: GC 190, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-3532; WUC 131, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5305.
Web site: http://counselingservices.fiu.edu/

DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) collaborates with students, faculty, staff, and community members to create diverse learning environments that are usable, equitable, inclusive, and sustainable. The DRC provides FIU students with disabilities the necessary support to successfully complete their education and participate in activities available to all students.

If you have a history or diagnosis of disability and plan to utilize academic accommodations, please contact the DRC.

Location: GC 190, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-3532; WUC 131, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5345. TTY 1-800-955-8771.

EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROGRAM AND DIVERSITY (EOPD)

Florida International University is committed to equal opportunity and diversity for all students, employees and applicants for employment. EOPD is responsible for the development, implementation and monitoring of diversity, equity and affirmative action programs, policies and procedures to ensure equal employment without regard to
age, color, disability, marital status, national or ethnic origin, political affiliation, race, religion, sex (including pregnancy), sexual orientation, veteran status or gender identity. This is accomplished by various programs, goals and initiatives:

- The University’s Affirmative Action Plan for Women and Minorities, and for Individuals with Disabilities and Veterans and the Florida Equity Accountability Plan;
- American with Disabilities Act (ADA)
- Diversity Initiatives
- External Partnerships
- Minority Scholarships
- Position Vacancy Announcements/Hiring
- Recruitment
- Internal and External investigations
- Training

The Director of the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs and Diversity is the campus Equity Officer responsible for concerns in all areas of discrimination and is also the Title IX Coordinator for the university responsible for FIU’s compliance efforts on gender discrimination, sexual harassment, retaliation, sexual assault, athletics equity and related civil rights investigations. The office is located on the MMC campus in PC 215, (305) 348-2785. For additional information, visit the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs and Diversity website at: www.fiu.edu/eop.

CENTER FOR LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

The Center for Leadership and Service (CLS) provides students with developmental and experiential opportunities that foster leadership and community engagement, grounded in values and moral purpose. Through leadership education, service learning, advocacy, and volunteerism, students will become active global citizens on campus, in the community, and in the workplace.

Leadership development programs range from one-hour skill building workshops, to semester-based programs. All of these programs are interactive and experiential in nature and are offered at a variety of times to accommodate our diverse student population. Programs are developmental in nature, so students can begin with an entry-level program and progress to more advanced leadership training while at FIU. Consult the department web site for program descriptions and application details, http://leadserve.fiu.edu.

CLS is also the central office for service development, by offering a clearinghouse and resource center for volunteer activities, service-learning, and advocacy for social issues. Three major service projects are sponsored by CLS. Alternative Break (AB) educates students about social issues and encourages them to make a difference by participating in direct service projects in communities throughout the country and abroad. Dance Marathon is a student-run philanthropy dedicated to raising money for the Children’s Miracle Network. Students can serve on the planning committee or participate as dancers in the 25-hour fundraiser that benefits the Miami Children’s Hospital Foundation. Relay for Life is the signature event for the American Cancer Society. By taking leadership roles in organizing and implementing these projects, students are able to practice and refine their leadership skills.

Students may also take on leadership roles by providing peer education. The LEAD Team is a student group that promotes and supports leadership development. The LEAD Team participates as program promoters and department ambassadors, group facilitators, classroom presenters, and consultants to student organizations.

The Center for Leadership and Service is dedicated to developing the leadership capacity and service ethic of all students, regardless of position or title.

Location: GC 242 Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-6995; WUC 256, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5360.

GRADUATE SENATORS/GRADUATE STUDENT FUNDING COMMITTEE

The Graduate and Professional Student Committee (GPSC) helps facilitate and enhance the overall graduate student experience, by advancing the University’s academic goals and promoting quality presentations and research efforts. Your Graduate Senators make up the GPSC and also work in conjunction with other Graduate Student Organizations and departments, in order to present educational workshops on many topics including thesis/dissertation, as well as coordinating symposiums and scholarly forums.

Website: http://www2.fiu.edu/~gpsc/
Email: GPSC@fiu.edu
MMC (305) 348-3023
BBC (305) 919-5680

UNIVERSITY HEALTH SERVICES

Good health is essential to students’ success while at the university and throughout their life. Therefore, University Health Services (UHS) is committed to providing registered students with free or low-cost quality medical care and health promotion services, which will allow them to thrive both academically and personally. Ambulatory healthcare centers are located at both the Biscayne Bay (BBC) and Modesto A. Maidique (MMC) campuses to serve your primary health care needs in a convenient and student-friendly environment. In addition, the BBC and MMC Wellness Centers are focused on educating students about ways to adopt healthier lifestyles.

Clinical Services include:
- Primary care and women’s health services
- Pre-matriculation and preventive vaccines
- Preventive screenings, EKG’s, and Laboratory testing (blood work, urine test, and cultures)

Pharmacy services at MMC include*:
- Over-the-counter (OTC) products and prescription medications at competitive prices.
- An excellent selection of natural and organic products
- Individualized education and counseling on prescription medications and OTC products

*Although a full-service pharmacy is not available at BBC, pre-packaged medications are dispensed by practitioners at that location.
Wellness services include:
- Consultations, workshops and programs on a variety of topics such as: wellness, stress management, nutrition, fitness, sexual health, substance use/abuse prevention, preventive health/self-care issues, and aromatherapy
- Fitness assessments
- Massage therapy
- Acupuncture
- Meditation sessions
- Anonymous HIV counseling and testing

Other services
- Assist students with obtaining University-sponsored student health insurance plans to help offset the cost of services not covered under the health fee.
- Facilitate the registration process by educating students on pre-matriculation health requirements
- Educate and assist students through medical appeal process

For a complete list of our services and charges, visit our website at www.studenthealth.fiu.edu.

Location: University Health Services Complex (near the College of Law and Recreation Center), Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-2401, Fax: (305) 348-6655; Health Care Center (HCWC Building located by parking lot 1-C), Biscayne Bay Campus; Wellness Center: (third floor of the Wolfe University Center), (305) 919-5620, Fax: (305) 919-5312.

THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND RESIDENTIAL LIFE

The Department of Housing and Residential Life provides housing for students at both the Modesto A. Maidique Campus and Biscayne Bay Campuses. There are six residential complexes five are located at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus and one on the Biscayne Bay Campus housing approximately 3,100 students on both campuses.

Our student housing is designed to provide a comfortable living environment conducive to supporting students’ academic success. The facilities are located within walking distance to classrooms, faculty offices, labs, recreation facilities, and other student services. There are multiple room types which provide a variety of accommodations to meet students’ housing needs and budgets.

The campus residential community provides unique opportunities for personal growth and development, leadership experiences through student participation in programming and activities, and developing an appreciation of and sensitivity to differences. Residents have the opportunity to enjoy social and educational events that are sponsored by the Residence Hall Association and Resident Assistants. The residence halls feature several Living and Learning Communities that include: FYRST (First Year Residents Succeeding Together), Wellness, FYRST Social Justice, Arts and Architecture, Honors Place, Honors Place 2, Global Community, and a Law Community. Housing academic tutors known as the A-Team are also available to assist students with their academic tutoring needs.

All of the housing facilities have fast Ethernet connections. Unlimited access to the web, satellite television, and utilities are included in the room rental rate. Each of the residence halls is staffed with both professional and paraprofessional personnel to ensure the facilities are safe and well maintained. For more information regarding services and accommodations, please visit our web page at http://www.housing.fiu.edu.

Location: Housing Office, University Park Towers (UPT) 121, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-4190, Fax: (305) 348-4295; e-mail: housing@fiu.edu. Office of Residential Life, Panther Hall (PH) 126, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-3661, Fax: (305) 348-3674. On the Biscayne Bay Campus, the Bay Vista Housing Office is (305) 919-5587.

HUMAN RESOURCES

The Division of Human Resources provides human resource management services for all employees in the academic and administrative areas including student employees, research and graduate assistants, college work study and temporary employees on all campuses. The division comprises the following areas: HR Administration, Recruitment Services, Compensation Administration, Employee and Labor Relations, Payroll, Employee Records, Benefits Administration, HR Management Systems, Talent Management and Development, Equal Opportunity Programs and Diversity, Employee Assistance Programs, Human Resources Relations, and Human Resources (Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine). It is through this office that new employees participate in the New Employee Experience (NEE) to gain knowledge of FIU’s past, present, and future for their individual career success and institutional impact.

The Modesto A. Maidique Campus (MMC) office is located in PC 224, (305) 348-2181. The Biscayne Bay Campus (BBC) office is located in LIB 322, (305) 919-5545. For additional information, visit the Division of Human Resources website at: http://hr.fiu.edu.

INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETICS

FIU Athletics has been a program of tremendous growth since its inception almost 40 years ago. 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 an affiliate member of Conference USA. FIU continues to elevate the athletics program and has reached new heights as the football program won its first Sun Belt Championship in 2010 after competing for only three years at the NCAA Division I level. In FIU’s first ever post season bowl appearance the football team won the 2010 Little Caesars Pizza Bowl. 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

Several of the FIU Athletic teams have won conference championships in recent seasons including women’s soccer, baseball, football and tennis while many other student-athletes have garnered accolades across the sport programs. FIU’s intercollegiate sports programs for women include basketball, volleyball, soccer, golf, tennis, track, softball, cross-country, swimming/diving and added the emerging sport of sand volleyball to begin competition
in spring 2013. Men’s sports include basketball, football, soccer, baseball, track, and cross-country.

**Athletic Facilities**

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

Phase I of **Alfonso Field at FIU Stadium** was opened in Fall 2008. The stadium features over 20,000 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 Alfonso Field at 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 weight training facility and ticket office staff. The **University Credit Union Box Office** is located at the west entrance to the field house and services all FIU sports. It also houses a 12,500 sq ft weight room that accommodates all FIU intercollegiate student-athletes.

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 eight locker rooms. The new expanded entrance to the U.S. Century Bank Arena added 11,000 square feet with new bathroom facilities, box office, meeting rooms, elevators, and concession area.

The **Baseball Stadium** is the home to our intercollegiate baseball team. The stadium has a seating capacity of 2,200, and offers a luxury suite with a capacity of 20 overlooking the field. The Baseball Stadium also has three 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 three covered batting cages, and three 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 visit the athletic department’s website at [fiusports.com](http://fiusports.com) or call the University Credit Union Box office at 348-4263 (FIU-GAME).

**CAMPUS RECREATION SERVICES**

Recreational sports programs and fitness facilities are available for Florida International University students, faculty, staff and alumni through the Offices of Recreation Services (MMC) and Campus Recreation (BBC). Funding for these services is primarily through student fees allocated by the FIU Student Government Association (SGA).

A variety of Intramural (IM) Sports are offered on each campus, including men’s, women’s and co-rec leagues in sports such as flag football, basketball, volleyball, softball and soccer, and tournaments for sports like racquetball, tennis, and table tennis. Individuals looking for a team are encouraged to register as “free agents”. Registration for Intramural Sports can be initiated via the web on the Recreation Services website (see URL below).

The 70,000+ square foot MMC Recreation Center is equipped with state-of-the-art exercise and cardiovascular fitness equipment. In addition to free weights, the center provides resistance and selectorized equipment, steppers, upright and recumbent bicycles, treadmills, rowers, and ellipticals. A basketball gym, locker rooms and a Pro Shop are also available. The Rec Center is located west of the Health Services Complex.

Over 90 PantherFIT group fitness classes per week are scheduled in the RC. Low cost or free classes offered throughout the year include Pilates, ultimate abs, and Zumba, as well as specialty classes such as yoga, Spinning, and BodyPump. Fitness orientations, body composition evaluations, and personal training are also featured. Non-credit fitness workshops and First Aid/CPR/AED certifications are offered.

The BBC Fitness Center is located on the first floor of the Wolfe University Center (WUC), room 160. The 12,000 square foot Fitness Center features 21 cardiovascular machines with locker rooms and showers, nine flat screen televisions, a Bose sound system, an array of LifeFitness selectorized, and Hammer Strength fitness equipment. Additionally, there is a state-of-the-art aerobics studio with ballet bars and separate Bose sound system. Cardio vascular group exercise classes include yoga, hip hop dance, belly dancing, body sculpting, dance aerobics, and Zumba Free massages are offered on Mondays.

The two campuses offer other facilities for recreational use. The Tennis Centers on each campus offer lighted courts, and tennis lessons are available. The BBC Aquatic Center and Panther Hall Pool provide on-campus swimming opportunities. At MMC, students have free access to nearby Tamiami Pool during lap swim hours. At MMC, the U.S. Century Bank Arena houses two indoor racquetball courts available on a reservation basis. A current, activated OneCard ID is required for access to all recreation facilities and programs.

Other areas of interest include adventure recreation programs (offering trips in and out-of-state), sport clubs, Lose It Weight Loss Program, and special events.

Both recreation offices provide student employment opportunities as sports officials, customer service and weight room attendants, recreation facility supervisors, lifeguards, group fitness instructors, personal trainers, and office assistants.

**Location:**

MMC Recreation Services/Rec Center: (305) 348-2575

BBC Campus Recreation/Fitness Center: (305) 919-5678

MMC Recreation Center Membership Desk: 348-2951

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**Contact Information:**

MMC Recreation Services/Rec Center: (305) 348-2575

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**Additional Information:**

Visit the Athletic Department’s website at [fiusports.com](http://fiusports.com) or call the University Credit Union Box office at 348-4263 (FIU-GAME).
INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND SCHOLAR SERVICES

The Office of International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) assists international students and visiting researchers and scholars by providing advising services related to immigration, legal, personal, academic, cultural, social, and financial concerns.

The staff serves as a resource to the university community for cross-cultural concerns and advises and consults with the university community on matters pertaining to international students and visiting researchers and scholars. ISSS is also responsible for maintaining university compliance with the Student Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) for the Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

All new and/or international transfer students MUST attend a MANDATORY orientation program before the start of their first semester and MUST report to the ISSS office no later than one week after the start of classes. The ISSS also offers social and cultural programs to assist students in adapting more effectively to the university community and to living in Miami. An active International Student Club on each campus collaborates with the department in organizing various social activities.

Location: GC 355, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-2421; WUC 363, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5813.


OFFICE OF STUDY ABROAD

The Office of Study Abroad provides students with the opportunity to spend a semester or academic year studying at one of our foreign partner institutions through the International Student Exchange (ISE) Program, or through FIU Study Abroad programs (usually ranging from 10 days to a semester) led by FIU faculty members.

Students participating in the ISE Program will pay FIU tuition and fees and, with pre-approval from their department, will receive full credit for the courses taken abroad. Grades earned on these programs will not be averaged into the FIU GPA. In order to be eligible for the ISE Program, students must be in good standing with a minimum 3.0 GPA.

FIU Study Abroad programs are typically offered during the summer, although some programs are offered during the Fall and Spring semesters, and are designed and led by members of the FIU faculty. Students participating in these programs will pay FIU tuition and fees in addition to a program fee for the cost of the program abroad. Grades earned on these programs will be averaged into the FIU GPA.

For more information about studying abroad, please contact the Office of Study Abroad, located at Modesto A. Maidique Campus, PC 113, at: (305) 348-1913; http://studyabroad.fiu.edu/.

MULTIFAITH COUNCIL

The Multifaith Council serves student groups involved in a variety of activities. Professional representatives from various faiths are available for personal appointments. Individual denominations sponsor campus-wide programs including worship, study groups, social gatherings, and cultural events. Campus Ministry sponsors programs and activities which are non-denominational.

Location: GC 318, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-3902; CM 101, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5247.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT, NONDISCRIMINATION, EDUCATIONAL EQUITY

All members of the University Community are entitled to study and work in an atmosphere free from discrimination. Florida International University’s equal opportunity policy prohibits discrimination against students and employees on the basis of their race, color, creed, age, disability, sex (including sexual harassment), religion, marital status, national origin, or sexual orientation. Under the policy, it does not matter whether the discrimination was intended or not; the focus is on whether students or employees have been treated differently or subjected to intimidation, or a hostile or offensive environment as a result of their belonging to a protected class or having a protected status. Sexual harassment includes unwelcome physical contact of a sexual nature, overt or implied threats to induce performance of sexual favors, verbal harassment, use of sexually suggestive terms, or display or posting of sexually offensive pictures.

Any employee, applicant, or student who believes that he or she may be a victim of unlawful discrimination may file a complaint with the Office of Equal Opportunity Program and Diversity, PC 215, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-2785.

OFFICE OF STUDENT CONDUCT AND CONFLICT RESOLUTION

The mission of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution is to promote concepts of respect, civility, fairness, and conflict resolution on campus by enforcing community standards (FIU policies, federal, state, and local laws) and holding students accountable for their behavior in a fair, yet developmental manner, through the involvement of the campus community and educational development of students.

Infringement of an academic nature should be directed to the Vice Provost for Academic Affairs. Complaints that are non-academic should be directed to the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution.

The Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution also:

- Provides student conduct record background checks for various agencies (Secret Service, FBI, CIA, State Department, DEA, Federal Marshals, Law Enforcement Agencies, Military, Graduate Schools, Law Schools, Dean Certifications, Florida Bar Examiners).
- Assists in the selection and training of Student Conduct Committee members and hearing officers.
• Manages admissions clearances – The university reserves the right to review the case of any student who has been involved in misconduct prior to admission to determine eligibility for admission.
• Administers the student conduct process. Holds students accountable for violations of the Student Code of Conduct.
• Provides educational programs for faculty, staff, and students regarding the student conduct process; ethics and integrity; conflict resolution; and dealing with disruptive students in the classroom.
• Provides mediation as a possible avenue to foster mutual respect and understanding when differences arise. Mediation through the Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution is an informal, voluntary, and confidential way to resolve minor conflicts, disputes, or disagreements without going through formal charges or judicial proceedings.

Please refer to the Student Code of Conduct section in the FIU Student Handbook for more information regarding the student conduct process and procedure. The Office of Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution is located in GC 311 at the Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-3939. Web site: http://www.fiu.edu/~sccr.

STUDENT MEDIA

Student media at FIU include The Beacon newspaper, fiusm.com, and WRGP radio.

The Beacon is an editorially independent publication produced by students and distributed free. The purpose of The Beacon is to keep the university community informed about campus news, events and activities; to serve as a forum for opinion and commentary concerning campus related topics; and to protect the interests of the University community and its component parts. It is published Monday, Wednesday, and Friday during the Fall and Spring terms, except during holiday breaks. It is also published eight times during the summer term. Students can work on the staff in news and features, photography, and/or advertising. No prior experience is required.

WRGP is FIU’s radio station located at 88.1, 95.3 (MMC), and 96.9 (BBC) FM. Its programming is an eclectic mix of the latest music on the cutting edge of the alternative scene, FIU sports play-by-play, and news. Programming also includes daily specialty shows that cover the music spectrum of metal to reggae, and in between Caribbean, hip-hop, rap, Latin rock, jazz, and classical mornings. The station operates 24 hours seven days a week. The station provides a means for students to acquire experience in various disciplines related to the broadcast industry, including hands-on experience in a realistic, business-like setting encompassing teamwork and professional standards. Students can work in areas such as broadcasting, business, promotions, and/or engineering. Prior experience is not required.

Fiusm, is a multi-media website that incorporates all of student media. Not only can you read about an event, but you can also listen and watch it with fiusm's streaming video. The website is updated five days a week. fiusm accepts advertising.

Location: The Beacon, GC 210, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-2709; WUC 220, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-4722. WRGP, GC 319, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-3071; fiusm.com, GC 210, Modesto A. Maidique Campus.

UNIVERSITY CENTERS

The University Center on each campus provides vital services to students and the University community. The Graham Center (GC) at Modesto A. Maidique Campus and the Wolfe University Center (WUC) at Biscayne Bay Campus are the focal points for the university community to meet and interact in an educational and vibrant environment. Staff in the centers coordinate the scheduling of space and assist with the production of student and university sponsored events.

As the hub of university life, these centers house the offices of Student Government Association (SGA); Campus Life; Student Programming Council (SPC); Council of Student Organizations (CSO); Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life; and the Faculty Club.

In the Graham Center, you will find the Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs, Ombudsman Office, and other departments of the Division of Student Affairs that provide services to students like: Career Services, Center for Leadership and Service, Disability Resource Center, International Student and Scholar Services, Multi-faith Council, Office of Multicultural Programs and Services, Office of Orientation and Parent Programs, Office of Pre-Collegiate Programs, Grants and McNair Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution, and Women's Center.

The Graham Center also offers the following services: event planning, audio visual/multimedia support, state-of-the-art computer labs, Lost and Found, ATMs, a satellite cashiering office, locker rentals, notary public service, vending machines, vending refunds, and Kaplan Test Preparation Center. Additionally, GC offers event facilities such as: meeting rooms, ballrooms, and auditoriums for lectures, banquets, receptions, and weddings. There is a classroom wing located on the second floor and lounges throughout the building. University members can enjoy entertainment and the arts by visiting the Student Art Gallery, the Porter Davis Game Room, The Beacon student newspaper, and the student radio station (WRGP).

The GC mini-mall offers a variety of food locations: a fresh food concept-serving all you care to eat- Chili's Too, Recharge U convenience store, Jamba Juice, Pollo Tropical, Subway, Burger King, Sushi Maki, Einstein Bros. Bagels, and Bustelo coffee shop. Other retail venues include: Barnes and Noble Bookstore (with Starbucks Café), GameStop, Sant's Hair and Nail Salon, Waves Spa, Panther's Dry Cleaners, and Toshiba Copy Center.

GC has LCD screens throughout the building highlighting university activities and events. Visit the GC virtual tour by going to: grahamcenter.fiu.edu/virtualtour.html. The administrative offices of the Graham Center are located at GC 1210 Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-2297, and the web site is grahamcenter.fiu.edu.

The Wolfe University Center (WUC) is located at the heart of FIU's Biscayne Bay Campus. It is home to the 300-seat Mary Ann Wolfe Theater, houses a state-of-the-art computer lounge, five large meeting rooms, and a recently renovated multi-purpose ballroom. A multi-purpose dining and catering facility, the student Fitness Center, and several comfortable study lounges can also be found in the WUC. It is also host to one of the most
complete and professional team-building training programs in South Florida, the Team Ropes Adventure Challenge (TRAC). Tenants include Student Affairs Offices for Disability Resource Center, Multicultural Programs and Services, Career Services, International Student and Scholar Services, and Counseling and Psychological Services. University support offices include the Credit Union, the FIU One Card office, Panther Print and Mail, University Technology Services, and the Parking and Transportation Office. The Barnes and Noble University Bookstore is located on the first floor next to Panther Square.

Location: GC 2200, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-1506; WUC 256, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5359.

The administrative offices of the Wolfe Center are located in WUC 325 at Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5800.

WOMEN’S CENTER

The Women’s Center at FIU provides numerous programs and services to support FIU women students in their personal, academic, and professional development. The Women’s Center collaborates and coordinates with other university departments and student organizations to meet the needs and enhance the lives of our diverse female population on campus. While our programs and services focus on women, they are open to the entire community, and include confidential referrals, leadership, and volunteer opportunities. We educate and advocate for systematic changes that will improve the lives of women and men.

Our curriculum includes the following programs:
- Mentoring Partnerships Program
- Sisterhood Retreat
- Wild Succulent Women program series
- Women Who Lead Conference
- International Day for the Elimination of Violence Against Women
- Take Back the Night
- Strong Women, Strong Girls student organization
- VOX, Voices for Planned Parenthood student organization

Location: GC 2200, Modesto A. Maidique Campus, (305) 348-1506; WUC 220, Biscayne Bay Campus, (305) 919-5359.

UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act)

All postsecondary institutions, both public and private, that participate in federal Title IV student aid programs are required to comply with the Clery Act regulations. Although Clery Act compliance is an institutional responsibility, full compliance is a campus wide effort, and concerns all members of the Community. Policy statements must be developed and crime reports must be collected from a wide variety of campus security authorities.

These authorities include: Police; Non–police security staff responsible for monitoring campus property; individuals and offices to which crimes should be reported;