UF AT A GLANCE

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP
President: Dr. W. Kent Fuchs
Provost: Dr. Joseph Glover

HISTORY
Traces its beginnings to 1853, Gainesville campus opened in 1906
First women admitted: 1947
First African American enrolled: 1958

ENROLLMENT (AS OF FALL 2020)
Undergraduate: 37,880
Graduate: 13,382
Professional: 3,807
Non-degree seeking undergraduate: 2,678
TOTAL: 57,841

STUDENTS
Male: 25,191
Female: 32,650
Black or African American: 3,384
Asian: 4,692
Hispanic/Latino: 11,793
White: 29,930
American Indian or Alaska Native: 87
Two or more races: 2,207
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander: 55
non-resident Alien: 3,960
Unknown: 1,733

STUDENT RESIDENCY
In-state: 45,007
Out of state: 12,834

STUDENT-FACULTY RATIO
17:1

ADMISSIONS (AS OF FALL 2021)
Applied to Fall 2021: 52,513
Admitted to Fall 2021: 11,972

FACULTY
5,747

EMPLOYEES
31,514 (includes faculty)

ALUMNI
Living: 450,000+

ACADEMICS (AS OF 2021)
Undergraduate majors: 120
Graduate programs: 250
For the Class of 2025
Average GPA: 4.51
Average SAT: 1392
Average ACT: 31

MAIN CAMPUS
Size: 2,000 acres
Number of buildings: 1,000+
Colleges: 16
Undergraduate Residence Halls: 26
Libraries: 7
In-state tuition and fees for academic year 2020 - 2021: $6,381 a semester
Out-of-state tuition and fees: $28,658 a semester

UF student athletes have earned a total of 150 academic All-America Honors since 1992.

Since the 1972 Olympiad held in Munich, 180 different Gators have participated in the Olympic Games. Gators have won 126 Olympic medals with 60 gold medals, 33 silver and 33 bronze.

UF Ranks No. 6 in the U.S. News & World Report among public universities and No. 30 overall.

UF is the only university in Florida that belongs to the Association of American Universities, the top 63 research institutions in North America.

The retention rate is 97 percent.

Research expenditures totaled $942.2 million in fiscal year 2020.

The UF Health care network has facilities throughout the state of Florida, including Jacksonville and Orlando.

The University of Florida is a top-10 public, comprehensive, land-grant, research university. The state’s oldest and most comprehensive university, UF is among the nation’s most academically diverse public universities. UF traces its beginnings to a small seminary in 1853. It opened its doors in Gainesville in 1906 with 102 students. Today, it is one of the most comprehensive and academically diverse universities in the nation, with an enrollment of some 57,000 students annually. UF is home to 16 colleges and more than 170 research centers and institutes. UF offers nearly 100 undergraduate degree programs and more than 200 graduate degree programs. Only five other universities nationwide have as many programs of study on one campus as the University of Florida.

UF has a long history of established programs in international education, research and service. It is one of only 17 public, land-grant universities that belong to the Association of American Universities, the higher-education organization comprising the top 63 public and private institutions in North America. UF is consistently ranked among the nation’s top universities: No. 6 in U.S. News & World Report’s “Top Public Schools” (2021); No. 2 in Kiplinger’s “Best Values in Public Colleges” (2017); and No. 3 on the Forbes list of best value public universities (2019). Additionally, UF ranked No. 6 in the New York Times list of universities that do the most to help low-income students (2015) and No. 3 in the Milken Institute’s ranking of Best Universities for Technology Transfer.

UF is a leader in artificial intelligence research, with a leading public-private partnership with NVIDIA that will create unprecedented access to AI training and tools for underrepresented communities, and build momentum for transforming the future of the workforce. The initiative will create an AI-centric data center that houses the world’s fastest AI supercomputer in higher education.

UF has more than 5,700 faculty members with distinguished records in teaching, research and service, including 37 Eminent Scholar chairs and 45 faculty elections to the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, the Institute of Medicine, or the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. Awards include a Fields Medal, three Pulitzer Prizes, NASA’s top award for research, and Smithsonian Institution’s conservation award.
UF’s students are accomplished. Students admitted for the fall 2021 freshman class had an average 4.51 GPA and an average SAT score of 1392. The freshman retention rate of 97 percent is among the highest in the country and 67 percent of UF freshmen graduate in four years; 88 percent graduate in six years.

UF is dedicated to creating a broadly diverse environment necessary to foster cultural competencies and perspectives that support every Gator so they can thrive on campus and beyond. UF ranks fourth and ninth respectively in Latino and African American graduates who go on to receive doctorates in STEM fields. It is also ranked first in the nation in terms of the number of African American female faculty in Engineering.

UF is a leader in research and discoveries which improve the lives of individuals throughout the state, nation and world. UF’s research expenditures totaled a record $942.2 million in fiscal year 2020.

UF conducts over $475 million of industrial/company-sponsored research annually. This level of collaborative industry/academic research places UF among the top 25 public research universities in the United States for overall industrial sponsored research. These research collaborations occur across the entire campus, in diverse fields that include engineering, life sciences, pharmaceuticals, and medicine, as well as the physical and social sciences. Research into improving education techniques and learning outcomes has also been sponsored by a variety of companies, particularly in areas pertaining to improving the education of students from underrepresented and low-income demographic groups. Industrial funding for UF research comes from Global 1000 companies as well as local and regional start-ups and corporate entrepreneurs, all of which seek to leverage the expertise of UF’s world-class faculty to promote discoveries that will benefit the health and overall well-being of people worldwide.

The university is recognized as an international leader in technology commercialization. Under the umbrella of UF Innovate, the commercialization arm of the university, Tech Licensing receives more than 300 invention disclosures, executes more than 100 commercial transactions, and launches nearly 20 companies each year. UF Innovate | Ventures fuels consistent growth in the number and quality of technology-based startup companies licensing UF inventions by developing entrepreneurs, connecting companies to investors, and making equity investments. The university’s two business incubators – world-renown Sid Martin Biotech and The Hub – support UF and other startups and growth companies by providing a program and a place for fledgling companies to learn and grow. UF Innovate’s Collaboratory, housed in The Hub, helps make entrepreneurship more accessible through training and other programs.

In 2020, the George W. Bush Institute and the Opus Faveo Innovation Development consulting firm named the University of Florida the most productive large university in the country at leveraging its research funding into new companies, new jobs, and new ideas. The “Best Large University for Innovation Productivity” award points to the efforts of UF Innovate, which provides an entire innovation ecosystem to move researchers’ ideas out of the laboratories and into the marketplace where they can make a difference. Also in 2020, Sid Martin Biotech received the “Best Global Incubator” award for a record third time. (No other incubator in the world has won the award even twice.) UF Innovate | Tech Licensing In 2017, the Milken Institute ranked UF third in the nation for its tech commercialization efforts. According to the most recent statistics from AUTM (FY2018), UF ranked 4th in the nation for licenses and options executed on technologies developed at the university level (228, which includes IFAS and Tech Licensing’s commercial agreements), 7th in patents issued (128), and 9th in the number of startups (20).

The university has a 2,000-acre campus and more than 1,000 buildings (including 170 with classrooms and laboratories). The UF residence halls have a total capacity of some 7,500 students and the five family housing villages house more than 1,000 married and graduate students. The university’s current facilities have a book value of more than $1 billion and a replacement value of $2 billion.

Overall, UF’s economic impact on the state in fiscal year 2017-18 was $16.91 billion in industry output or sales revenues, $10.4 billion in contribution to the State Gross Domestic Product, and 134,609 full-time and part-time jobs. That puts UF’s total employment and gross state product contributions roughly on par with the direct activity of all hotels and motels in the state.