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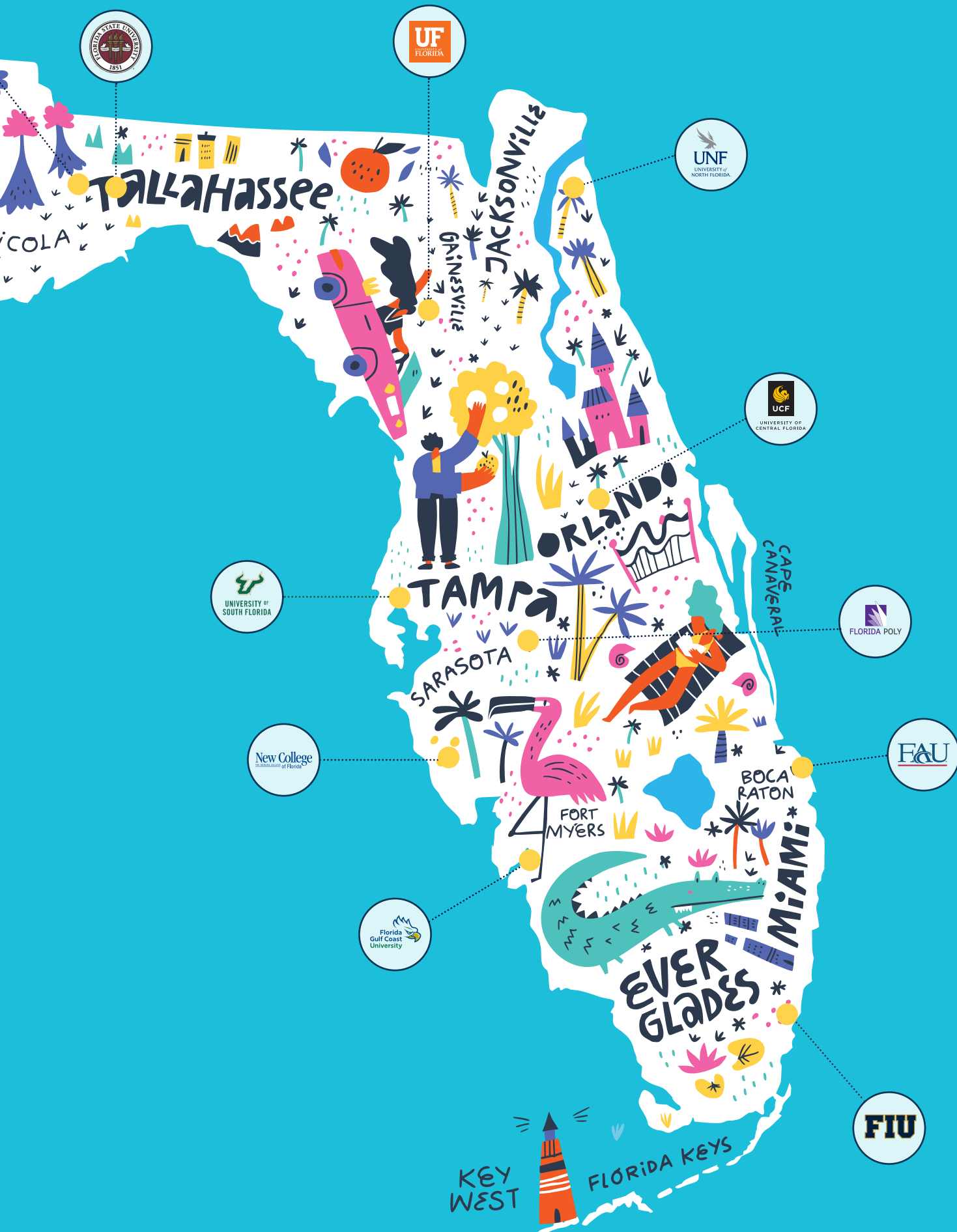
# FLORIDA

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**HIGHER EDUCATION**  
FOR THE 7<sup>TH</sup>  
CONSECUTIVE YEAR

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# FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL UNIVERSITY

Founded October 3, 1887, **Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University (FAMU)** is a public, historically Black university located in Tallahassee, Florida. FAMU is currently ranked as the #1 Public HBCU (U.S. News & World Report 2019-current) for four consecutive years. FAMU offers 13 schools and colleges in which students can choose over fifty undergraduate majors. FAMU is a leader in STEM and is ranked #1 for Research and Development by the National Science Foundation. FAMU is also a leader amongst HBCUs for Fulbright Scholars. What distinguishes FAMU from other universities is its legacy of providing access to a high-quality, affordable education with programs and services that guide students toward successfully achieving their dreams. In addition to the main Tallahassee campus, FAMU has several satellite campuses across Florida. These include the College of Law in Orlando and the College of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, Institute of Public Health, which has sites in Crestview, Tampa, Jacksonville, and Miami.

Semester/Term	Application Availability	Application Deadline
Fall 2024	August 1, 2023	April 1, 2024
Early Action/ Scholarship Priority Deadline	August 1, 2023	November 1, 2023
Scholarship Notification Period	January 2024	November 1, 2023

- ▶ Official transcript required.
- ▶ Official test scores required.
- ▶ Essay and letters of recommendation for scholarship only.







# FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY

**Florida Atlantic University** calls to the innovative and ambitious as a leader in research and opportunity. Our main campus is in Boca Raton, 1.8 miles from the Atlantic Ocean. Here, students can connect with resume-building experience in South Florida’s lush business landscape, participate in award-winning undergraduate research programs, and find solutions to real-world issues such as climate change and healthcare. Or explore an all-honors curriculum with world-class scientific internships at the Wilkes Honors College on the Jupiter campus. Florida Atlantic boasts one of the most affordable tuition rates in the state and an above average starting salary, which means students start their career with less debt and an increased probability of success.

Application Type	Summer	Fall
Priority Application Completion	November 1	November 1
Merit Scholarship (Admissions Application Completion)	January 15	January 15
Final Application Completion	April 1	April 1
Priority Housing Contract Completion	April 1	April 1
Deposit Deadline	May 1	May 1

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# FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY

**Florida Gulf Coast University (FGCU)**, located in beautiful Southwest Florida, has approximately 16,000 students. FGCU is one of the best values in U.S. Higher Education. We have kept the cost of tuition the same for nine years! The majority of our students (59%) graduate with zero debt. We award \$118 million in financial aid & scholarships annually. We are dedicated to student success. Our 64 undergraduate majors and 22:1 student-to-faculty ratio guarantee you'll get an education with a personal touch and have the support, advising, and guidance to complete your degree on time. FGCU holds the highest employment rate for graduates getting jobs in Florida.

Semester/Term	Application Opens	Application Closes	Deposit Deadline
Spring	January 2	December 1	December 15
Summer	August 1	March 1	May 1
Fall	August 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>*Freshman Early Action Date (decisions available in December)</li> <li>Supplemental Items Due November 15</li> </ul>	November 1	May 1
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Freshman Regular Decision Date</li> </ul>		March 1	

▶ \*Freshman merit scholarships are competitive and not guaranteed. Preference is given to students who apply by the early action date of November 1st.

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# FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

**Florida International University** is a top public university that drives real talent and innovation in Miami and globally. Very high research (R1) activity and high social mobility come together at FIU to uplift and accelerate learner success in a global city by focusing in the areas of environmental resilience, health and technology and innovation. Today, FIU has two campuses and multiple centers. FIU serves a diverse student body of more than 56,000 and 300,000+ Panther alumni. U.S. News and World Report places dozens of FIU programs among the best in the nation, including international business at No. 2. Washington Monthly Magazine ranks FIU among the top 20 public universities contributing to the public good.

Application Type	Early Fall	Fall
Application Opens	July 1	July 1
Deadline 1	October 23	October 23
Notification Date 1	November 15	November 15
Scholarship Application Due	December 1	December 1
Deferred final review	March 1	March 1
Final Application Deadline	March 25	March 25
Deposit Due	May 1	May 1

 [admissions.fiu.edu](https://admissions.fiu.edu) | [admiss@fiu.edu](mailto:admiss@fiu.edu) | 305-348-7000





# FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

**Florida Polytechnic University** is the state’s only all-STEM public university, leading the way toward a high-tech future with project-based education in engineering and applied science. Florida Poly is recognized by U.S. News and World Report as the top public college in the Southern U.S. for the second straight year, and a top-30 engineering program without a Ph.D. With small classes and laser-focused degree plans, graduates are qualified for the high-wage, high-demand jobs needed throughout the state. The University is a powerful economic engine for Florida, combining scientific research with industry partnerships to give students a top STEM education with real-world relevance.

Application Plan	Application Deadline	Scholarships
Early Action	November 15	Alexander & Provost Scholars
Regular Decision	March 1	Florida Poly Merit / Out-of-State
Late Decision	May 1 *space available basis	Florida Poly Merit *If funding still available

- ▶ Unofficial transcripts accepted.
- ▶ Unofficial test scores accepted.
- ▶ Essay is no longer required.

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# FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Designated as a Preeminent Research University, **Florida State University** consistently delivers an affordable, high-quality education and was named the No.1 Best Value College in Florida according to U.S. News & World Report. With more than 280+ degree programs and 50+ combined Bachelor’s/Master’s Pathway Programs, our students have access to a robust selection of academic options.

FSU is the largest research university in the country to adopt an experiential learning requirement for undergraduate students. This requirement gives students the opportunity to learn from hands-on, real-world experiences by participating in internships, service-learning, research or creative activity, international study, and more.

Application Plan	Application Deadline	Decision Release Date
Early Action (Florida only)	October 15, 2023	December 14, 2023
Regular Decision (All Students)	December 1, 2023	February 15, 2024
Rolling Decision (All Students)	March 1, 2024	Released on a Rolling basis in April

Deadline for the University Honors Program and automatic scholarship consideration: December 1.

- ▶ Self-report all test scores.
- ▶ Link the SSAR.
- ▶ Upload an essay.
- ▶ Upload a list of activities.

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# NEW COLLEGE OF FLORIDA

Founded in Sarasota in 1960, **New College of Florida** is the #5 public liberal arts college in the country and the Honors College of Florida. New College provides students with a highly individualized education that integrates academic rigor with career-building experiences and is the place for the growing population of students looking to explore their intellectual curiosity, pursue their passions, and gain a better understanding of the world without having to abandon who they are and what they believe. New College offers more than 50 undergraduate majors in arts, humanities and sciences; a master's degree in data science; and certificates in technology, finance, and business skills.

Application Plan	Application Deadlines	Notification Dates	Deposit Deadlines
Early Action	November 1	Rolling	May 1
Regular Decision	February 1	Rolling	May 1
Final Deadline	June 1	Within 2 weeks of completion	Within 2 weeks of decision

- ▶ Self-reported transcripts are acceptable for admissions. Official transcripts required for enrollment.
- ▶ Self-reported test scores are acceptable for admission. Official test scores required for enrollment.
- ▶ Essay required.
- ▶ No separate scholarship application is required for most NCF scholarships.

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# UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

**UCF** is a public, metropolitan, research university invested in unleashing the potential within every individual, enriching the human experience through inclusion, discovery and innovation, and propelling broad-based prosperity for the many communities we serve. Located in Orlando and designated as an Hispanic Serving Institution, UCF offers more than 220 degree programs in 13 colleges. Named one of the top 20 universities in the nation for innovation by US News & World Report, UCF is comprised of four campuses – the main campus in east Orlando, the Rosen College of Hospitality Management campus, the Academic Health Sciences campus and UCF Downtown.

Application Plan	Summer	Fall
Priority Application Completion Deadline for Scholarship Consideration	November 1	November 1
Final Application Deadline	March 1	May 1
Notification Date	Early December then Rolling	Early December then Rolling

- ▶ SPARK required.
- ▶ Official test scores required.



NAME OF INSTITUTION	SUMMER SEMESTER					
	Total Enrollment	Total Undergraduate Enrollment (2022)	Number of FTIC Applications	Number of FTIC Admits	Average or middle 50% FTIC GPA	Middle 50% Admit FTIC SAT
 FLORIDA AGRICULTURAL AND MECHANICAL UNIVERSITY	7,803	4,933	1104	520	3.53	990 – 1140
 FLORIDA ATLANTIC UNIVERSITY	29,614	23,067	6,292	4,280	3.58	1010 – 1150
 FLORIDA GULF COAST UNIVERSITY	16,004	14,481	1,796	1,112	3.57 – 4.39	1020 – 1180
 FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY	55,687	45,442	7,810	5,923	3.9 – 4.4	1060 – 1170
 FLORIDA POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY	1,593	1,531	N/A	161	3.8 – 4.5	1120 – 1220
 FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY	44,161	32,936	12,775	4,614	4.1 – 4.5	1230 – 1320
 NEW COLLEGE OF FLORIDA	689	669	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
 UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA	68,406	58,721	11,600	7,640	3.9 – 4.3 / 4.10	1170 – 1240
 UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA	60,795	38,011	See Fall for combined	2,964	4.4 – 4.6	1240 – 1390
 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA	16,517	14,282	1,982	1,359	3.11 – 3.74	950 – 1120
 UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA	49,766	36,948	13,849	9,067	3.90 – 4.29	1100 – 1200
 UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA	13,504	9,280	673	271	3.81	970 – 1150



FALL SEMESTER								
Middle 50% Admit FTIC ACT	Number of FTIC Applications	Number of FTIC Admits	Average or middle 50% FTIC GPA	Middle 50% Admit FTIC SAT	Middle 50% Admit FTIC ACT	SSAR/SPARK	Self-Reported Test Scores	2+2 Program
19 – 24	21,415	4,186	3.91	1070 – 1240	22 – 27	Yes	No	FAMU IGNITE
20 – 24	30,337	17,727	3.70 – 4.30 / 4.0	1090 – 1250	22 – 28	Yes	Yes	Link to FAU
19 – 24	17,949	11,265	3.76 – 4.51	1080 – 1230	21 – 26	No	No	Destination FGCU
21 – 24	16,487	5,373	4.1 – 4.7	1240 – 1370	26 – 30	No	No	Connect4 Success
25 – 27	2,483	1,120	4.0 – 4.7	1250 – 1390	28 – 32	Yes	Yes	South Florida State College & Polk State College
26 – 30	62,046	14,128	4.3 - 4.6	1340 – 1450	29 – 33	Yes	Yes	Aspire TCC2FSU
N/A	2,782	1,511	4.03	1100 – 1310	22 – 29	Yes	Yes	NCF Transform
23 – 26	43,332	16,157	4.1 – 4.5 / 4.30	1260 – 1380	26 – 30	Yes	No	Direct Connect
27 – 31	66,866	12,742	4.4 – 4.6	1370 – 1510	31 – 34	Yes	Yes	Gator Engineering @ Santa Fe and State College of Florida
21 – 27	17,749	12,562	3.80 – 4.44	1060 – 1250	21 – 27	Yes	No	Transfer2UNF
22 – 25	51,348	17,648	4.10 – 4.59	1250 – 1390	27 – 31	Yes	No	FUSE
19 – 24	9,397	5,212	3.95	1050 – 1230	21 – 27	Yes	No	2UWF

# UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA



As a preeminent research institution, the **University of Florida (UF)** pushes the world forward by challenging convention and ourselves. Our 11 colleges offer more than 120 undergraduate and 200 graduate degrees. We also offer training within our five professional schools: dentistry, law, medicine, pharmacy, and veterinary medicine. With limitless opportunities for undergraduate research, involvement with over 1,000 student organizations, mentoring from world-class faculty, and residential living-learning communities, students can create a college experience as unique as they are.

Application Plan	Application Deadline
Summer B & Fall	November 1, 2023
Merit Scholarship	November 1, 2023
Space Available	March 1, 2024
Application Notification	February 2024
Space Available Notification	Late March 2024



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# UNIVERSITY OF NORTH FLORIDA

The **University of North Florida (UNF)** is a public institution situated on a beautiful campus in Jacksonville, FL, a short distance from miles of beaches and downtown Jacksonville. UNF has an enrollment of nearly 17,000 students and offers over 100 bachelor's degree programs. Approximately 85% of our students participate in internships and other real-world experiences by graduation, and UNF ranks first in the State University System in the percentage of graduates employed in Florida. In addition, our students' participation in study abroad is in the top five in Florida. UNF has been ranked among the top public institutions by U.S. News & World Report, and one of the best in the southeast by The Princeton Review

## Application Plan      Application Deadline

Priority Application Deadline	November 1
Priority Decision Release	November 15, then Rolling
Priority Scholarship Deadline	January 15
Final Application Deadline	April 1
Commitment Deadline	May 1

- ▶ Self-reported transcripts are acceptable for admissions. Official transcripts required for enrollment.
- ▶ Official test scores required for admissions and enrollment.

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# UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH FLORIDA

The **University of South Florida** is located in the vibrant and diverse Tampa Bay region, with campuses in Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Sarasota-Manatee. Together, our campuses serve more than 50,000 students pursuing undergraduate, graduate, specialist, and professional degrees. Across our 13 colleges, undergraduates choose from more than 200 majors, minors, and concentrations, from business and engineering to the arts and USF Health.

USF is the fastest-rising university in America, according to U.S. News and World Report's (U.S. News) 2023 Best Colleges rankings. Also in 2023, USF became the first public university in Florida in nearly 40 years to be invited to join the Association of American Universities (AAU), a prestigious group of the leading universities in the United States and Canada. High-impact global research is central to USF's mission as one of only three Preeminent Research Universities in Florida.

## Application Plan      Application Deadline

Application opens	August 1
Priority application deadline	November 1, 2023
Notification	Mid December (Rolling admissions thereafter)
Priority application completion deadline for admissions and merit scholarships	January 15
Final application Deadline	March 1
Admissions Deposit Deadline	May 1

▶ SSAR required.

▶ Official test scores required.

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# UNIVERSITY OF WEST FLORIDA

The **University of West Florida** promotes an innovative, student-centered culture. Ranked among the “Best Regional Universities South” by U.S. News & World Report, the 1,600-acre Pensacola campus serves a student body of 13,500, with more than 100,000 alumni, and offers 70 undergraduate programs. UWF provides a personalized and engaging experience through small class sizes, supportive faculty, and active student organizations, and promotes undergraduate research and scholarly activities in the classroom and beyond. UWF offers an affordable, high-quality education and generous scholarship opportunities that enable students from varied backgrounds to meet their career and life goals.

Application Plan	Summer/Fall Deadlines	
Scholarship Consideration	December 1	Must be admitted by this deadline to be automatically considered for merit-based scholarships.
Final Deadline	June 1	
Notification Date	October 15 then Rolling	

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**U.S. News & World Report ranks Florida's Higher Education #1 in the country!** With 12 members of the State University System and 28 members of the Florida College System, Florida offers a wide range of programs, degrees and experiences. Please visit [floridashines.org](http://floridashines.org).

**The Talented Twenty Program:** The Talented Twenty Program is part of the Governor's Equity in Education Plan. The purpose is to guarantee admission to students who succeed in their respective K-12 public schools, and to encourage students to strive for better grades and a rigorous curriculum. The Florida Department of Education and Florida Board of Governors has created a frequently asked questions document to assist public school counselors with navigating the process. Please visit [www.fldoe.org/schools/family-community/activities-programs/talented-twenty-program/](http://www.fldoe.org/schools/family-community/activities-programs/talented-twenty-program/) for details and step-by-step instructions.

**Florida Student Scholarship & Grant Programs:** Students must submit a completed Florida Financial Aid Application (FFAA) to the Office of Student Financial Assistance for programs such as the Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program, Jose Marti Scholarship and Scholarships for Children and Spouses of Deceased or Disabled Veterans. Please visit [floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org](http://floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org).

**AA degrees for graduating seniors:** A high school student earning dual enrollment credit and/or an AA degree in high school is considered a first-time in college student and should submit an application as a first-year student, not as a transfer. Earning the AA while in high school does not guarantee admission into a specific state university.



**RESOURCES:**

Florida Shines: [floridashines.org](http://floridashines.org)

Florida Counseling for Future Education Handbook:  
[dlss.flvc.org/florida-counseling-for-future-education-handbook](http://dlss.flvc.org/florida-counseling-for-future-education-handbook)

Florida College Access Network: [floridacollegeaccess.org](http://floridacollegeaccess.org)