

2024-25 COUNSELOR UPDATE

UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS | ENROLLMENT PLANNING & MANAGEMENT



FLORIDA'S PREMIER ENGINEERING & TECHNOLOGY UNIVERSITY

At UCF, we believe bringing people's ideas to life by leveraging engineering and technology in new and creative ways is the key to solving the world's greatest challenges and improving the human experience for all. Through our focused and interdisciplinary integration of STEM principles, we create strong career trajectories for our students and a talent pipeline for the communities we serve -- all aiming to answer the demands of today and anticipate the needs of tomorrow.

EARLY ACTION, MODIFIED ROLLING ADMISSION PLANS ANNOUNCED

FTIC STUDENTS APPLYING TO SUMMER AND FALL 2025 WILL BE FIRST COHORT OFFERED NEW TIMELINE

Starting with the Summer & Fall 2025 application cycle, UCF will transition from a straight rolling admission process to Early Action (EA) and modified rolling admission for FTIC students. The change provides prospective students with the option for a more structured timeline and earlier notification of their admission status.

Under the new process, FTICs who wish to apply EA for the summer or fall term must submit their application by Oct. 15. All required application materials must be received by Nov. 1. FTIC applicants who meet these deadlines will receive a final admission decision or deferral for new

information on Nov. 15. UCF will continue to operate on rolling admission for applications completed after Nov. 1, with decisions resuming in early January.

Early Action at UCF is non-binding, and admitted students have until May 1 to make their final decision and submit a deposit. This flexibility allows families to explore their options and make an informed college choice. The EA plan is part of UCF's ongoing efforts to enhance the admissions process and improve the application experience. The university remains dedicated to providing an enriching and inclusive environment that empowers students to transform their aspirations into achievements.

FALL 2024 FTIC ADMITTED STUDENT PROFILE

4.33 GPA (WEIGHTED CORE)

1354 SAT (EBRW + MATH)

29 ACT

81 CLT

71 NEW FRESHMAN NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS

TOP 5 MAJORS FOR FRESHMEN (FTIC)

1. PSYCHOLOGY
2. COMPUTER SCIENCE
3. HEALTH SCIENCES
4. BIOLOGY
5. MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

KEY DEADLINES	Early Action	Regular Decision
Application Deadline	Oct. 15 ☀️🍁	Mar. 1 ☀️ May 1 🍁
Material Submission Deadline	Nov. 1 ☀️🍁	Mar. 1 ☀️ May 1 🍁
Decision Notification	Nov. 15 ☀️🍁	Rolling
Decision Outcomes	Admit, Pathway, Defer, Deny	Admit, Pathway, Defer, Deny, Waitlist

☀️ Summer Term 🍁 Fall Term

FRIENDS,

At UCF, student success and well-being is everyone's responsibility and the number one priority of UCF's strategic plan, *Unleashing Potential*.

Our mission in the division of Student Success and Well-Being is to help students thrive in four domains: *Belonging, Engaging, Achieving, and Meaning (BEAM)*.

BEAM provides a framework to transform student aspirations into achievements and empower every student to develop a sense of belonging, engage with the community, achieve their goals, and find meaning in all they do.

BEAM encourages students to explore opportunities to connect intentionally, actively, and meaningfully with others, both inside and outside of the classroom; discover and utilize campus resources to support them on their journey to success; and develop, nurture, deploy, and hone passions and interests to catapult their career preparation and success into the future. Through our dynamic community of dedicated and supportive coaches, advisors, faculty and staff, students are empowered to succeed at UCF!

We invite you and your students to visit us for yourselves through our daily Campus Visit Experience or a weekend "Knight for A Day" open house.

We are also committed to being accessible to you, so please reach out by phone or email if we can be of assistance.

Thank you again for your tireless dedication, support and friendship.



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EARLY ACTION USHERS IN CHANGES TO HOUSING APPLICATION PROCESS

Students who are admitted to UCF Early Action will be assigned a Housing Portal Open Date based upon the date and time that they pay their \$30 admission application fee or approved application fee waiver.

The Housing Portal Open Date is the first day that Early Action admitted students can enter the Housing Portal and submit an application for on-campus housing. This is not the *only* date that students can submit a housing application - just the *first* date.

Students admitted to UCF *after* Early Action decisions are released will *not* be issued a Housing Portal Open Date; these students will be able to access the Housing Portal within 48 hours of receiving their admission offer.

NEW UNDERGRAD DEGREES & NEW NURSING CAMPUS

The College of Undergraduate Studies will launch three new academic programs this year.

The B.S. in **Environmental Sciences** aims to prepare students to work in a growth field focused on building a sustainable future while protecting the environment and human health. Students will study the social, political, and ethical dimensions of environmental actions and policy decisions.

B.A. and B.S. degree options in **Leadership** are designed to equip students with the skills to solve complex problems and resolve conflict, inspire others, build teams and collaboration, manage change, and provide strategic

guidance in a variety of fields and settings.

The **Sustainability** program offers both a B.A. and B.S. to teach concrete skills that will help students solve programs and navigate barriers related to understanding, supporting and studying human interactions with the environment.

Expected to open in Fall 2025, the **Dr. Phillips Nursing Pavillion** is the College of Nursing's new 90,000-square-foot home at the UCF Academic Health Sciences Campus at Lake Nona. The state-of-the-art facility will strengthen patient care by enabling UCF to graduate 150 more highly qualified, compassionate nurses each year.

QUICK FACTS

DEGREE PROGRAMS

104 Bachelor's

97 Master's

33 Doctoral

3 Professional Doctoral

3 Research Specialist

MALE-FEMALE RATIO

44% Male • 56% Female

FACULTY

1,875 • 81% with Ph.D.s

GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY

Students come from 67 Florida counties, all 50 states and 155 countries — with the highest number from Venezuela, Brazil, India, Columbia and Vietnam.

TOP PRODUCER

UCF awards more than **18,000** degrees a year and is one of the top producers of graduates among public universities in the nation.

SPARK FORM REMAINS FOR 2025 WITH MINOR UPDATES

Students applying to UCF will continue to self-report their high school courses and grades via the SPARK Form in lieu of sending in-progress transcripts. To simplify the student experience and prevent delays due to incomplete submissions, students who enter too few credits on the form or appear to be missing required units will be prompted to review their SPARK and correct any errors. Students who choose to move forward and submit their SPARK Form without making corrections will be required to submit an unofficial in-progress transcript to verify that they meet SUS unit requirements. Not all applicants will be required to upload a transcript, only those who are missing required units. For more information on the SPARK Form, visit the FAQ section on our website.

FTICS EARNING AA VIA DUAL ENROLLMENT MAY RECEIVE ADMINISTRATIVE "HOLD"

Students earning both the standard high school diploma and an associate in arts (A.A.) degree through dual enrollment from a Florida College System or State University System institution and who do not meet FTIC admission requirements may qualify for admission to UCF under BOG 6.005. Students being considered for admission under FL BOG 6.005 will be required to submit official in-progress

dual enrollment transcripts for evaluation prior to an admission offer being made.

Students who are admitted under this regulation will be required to submit verification of earning their A.A. degree before they will be able to enroll in UCF courses. A hold will be placed on their account until we have received this document. Students admitted under this regulation who fail to earn their A.A. will have their admission rescinded.

FLBOG 6.005 does not guarantee admission to UCF specifically and earning the A.A. through dual enrollment with the standard high school diploma does not equal an automatic admission offer.

SSN AND FAFSA

Students should be encouraged to submit their Social Security number (SSN) on their application for admission to UCF. Not doing so can lead to complications and processing delays for all types of aid, including FL Pre-Paid. The FAFSA requires a SSN to apply for aid; as a result, is a key piece of identifying information that UCF uses to match award packages to enrolling students. By not supplying a SSN, students may face delays in having financial aid disbursed and can even have aid canceled. Visit finaid.ucf.edu to view more information and filing dates for the 2025-26 FAFSA.

UCF PRODUCES 25% OF FLORIDA'S ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE GRADUATES

(State University System)



MOST INNOVATIVE

UCF is the highest ranked university in Florida for innovation and ranks among the nation's top 15 most innovative colleges, according to *U.S. News & World Report*.

BEST GRAD SCHOOLS

U.S. News & World Report ranks 23 UCF grad programs among the top 100 in their fields — including three in the top 20.

DIVERSE & INCLUSIVE

UCF ranks fourth for number of bachelor's degrees earned by students of color. And with 29% Hispanic enrollment, UCF is designated a Hispanic-Serving Institution by the U.S. Department of Education.

FOSTERING SOCIAL MOBILITY

At UCF, more than 20% of current students are the first in their families to attend college.

A LEADER IN NURSING EDUCATION

U.S. News & World Report ranks UCF #31 for Best Undergraduate Nursing Programs, preparing students to provide compassionate care and clinical excellence.

240+ MAJORS. ENDLESS OPPORTUNITIES.

ZERO DEBT

68% of FTICs go on to graduate from UCF with no educational debt

72%

of undergraduate students received financial aid

NO. 1

supplier of graduates to the aerospace and defense industries, six years in a row
—*Aviation Week Network*

TOP 5

hospitality and tourism school in the world
—*ShanghaiRanking*

NO. 2

graduate and **No. 6** undergraduate game design programs in the world
—*The Princeton Review and PC Gamer*

SCHOLARSHIP PRIORITY DEADLINE REMAINS NOV. 1

The Scholarship Priority Deadline for FTIC students remains Nov. 1. FTIC students should submit a complete application for admission, including the \$30 fee or waiver, SPARK Form, and official test scores by this date for priority scholarship consideration. Award funding is limited, and the Scholarship Committee reviews admitted FTIC students until all funds are allocated. Scholarship funding for FTIC students is usually exhausted by January for the incoming summer and fall classes.

COUNSELOR EMAIL LIST

If you are not on the list, please send your name, title, school, mailing address, email address and telephone number to Elizabeth Costello at elizabeth.costello@ucf.edu.

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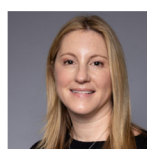


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Kiplinger and Forbes rank a UCF education among the nation's best values.



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