YOUR FUTURE AWAITS

Graduate Open House
AGENDA

- Welcome
- Testing and Evaluation
- Financial Aid
- Graduate College
- Questions & Answers
WELCOME

Presenters:

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  • Coordinator, Office of Student Financial Aid
• Jordan Hession  
  • Assistant Director, Graduate Orientation and Admissions, Graduate College
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Testing and Evaluation
REGISTER FOR YOUR EXAMS ONLINE.
TESTING AND EVALUATION

Tests Offered at the Boca Raton Campus

• Graduate Record Examination (GRE) [www.gre.org](http://www.gre.org)
• Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) [www.lsac.org](http://www.lsac.org)
• Miller Analogies Test (MAT) [www.milleranalogies.com](http://www.milleranalogies.com)
• Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) [www.aamc.org](http://www.aamc.org)
• Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) [www.toefl.org](http://www.toefl.org)
GRE / GMAT

GRE (General)
- $205
- Three sections: Writing, Quantitative, and Verbal.
- Testing Time: four and half hours
- Can be taken at FAU Boca Raton.

GMAT
- $250
- Four sections: Writing, Quantitative, Integrated Reasoning and Verbal.
- Testing time: four and half hours
The GRE General Test

Featuring question types that closely reflect the kind of thinking you’ll do in today’s demanding graduate-level programs, the GRE® General Test lets you show schools you are ready to succeed.

About  Registration  Scores

Test Centers and Dates
ID Requirements
Test Takers with Disabilities and Health-related Needs
GRE® Information Bulletin & Forms

For Business School  For Law School
Ask the School Expert

Military students: Three things you should look for in an MBA program.

Register for the GMAT Exam

Free GMATPrep® Software

Rehearse for Current Business School Students

Official Guide for GMAT Review
TEST PREPARATION COURSES

- GRE
- LSAT
- MCAT
- FTCE General Knowledge Exam (GK)
- GMAT
- SAT
- ACT

http://www.fau.edu/testprep/
TESTING AND EVALUATION

PRACTICE TESTS

• Graduate Record Examination (GRE) www.gre.org
• Graduate Management Admission Test www.mba.com
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FUN FACTS AND PRIZES

Name one of the tests offered at FAU's testing center.
SUBMIT YOUR FAFSA TODAY!

2019-2020 FAFSA is available now!

2020-2021 FAFSA opens: October 1

Priority deadline: January 1

Add FAU’s school code: 001481
FINANCIAL AID AVAILABLE

1. Loans
2. Grants
3. Scholarships
4. Fellowships
5. Assistantships
6. Employer Tuition Reimbursement
   Ask Your Employer!

fau.edu/finaid
Direct Unsubsidized Loans

- No credit check
- Loan Annual limit = $20,500
- Interest begins at time of disbursement
- Lifetime limit = $138,500
FINANCIAL AID - REVIEW NSLDS

Know Your Borrowing History!
NSLDS.ed.gov
FINANCIAL AID - GRANTS

Graduate Students may be eligible for the FAU Graduate Grant!

- Based on financial need
- FAFSA must be submitted (FAU priority deadline is January 1st)
- Funds are limited, so apply early!

*Graduate students are NOT eligible to receive state and federal grants (e.g. Pell grant).
Scholarships

Click here to review the FAU Financial Aid Guide.

This Scholarship Search Database houses available scholarships at Florida Atlantic University. Click here or click the scholarship image above to access the Foundation Scholarship Search Engine at Florida Atlantic University.

ATTENTION ALL STUDENTS!

Apply NOW for Scholarships for the 2014-2015 academic year!

ATTENTION INCOMING FRESHMAN & TRANSFER STUDENTS!

FAU’s Office of Undergraduate Admissions offers numerous scholarships for incoming freshman and transfer students. We suggest applying early as the scholarships are competitive and most are awarded early in the admission cycle. Additional scholarships are available through the Office of Student Financial Aid, FAU Alumni Association and through the academic colleges.

There are a host of scholarships available to assist students with their educational expenses. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic criteria and/or any combination of academics, financial need, campus/community activities, leadership positions and work experience. Scholarships are designed to reward, encourage and assist students in pursuing academic excellence and leadership roles.

Many colleges and departments at FAU offer scholarships to students that are specific to an area of specialization. Below is a list of scholarships by category that may be helpful to you in funding your college education.

- Freshman, Transfer & International Scholarships
- FAU Scholarships
- Other Scholarships
- Athletic Scholarships
- FAU Department Scholarships
- Prestige Scholarships
- Community Foundation Scholarships
- State of Florida Scholarships
- Scholarship FAQs
- Scholarship Search Engines
Bright Futures recipients:
You may be eligible for one semester of Bright Futures funding!

DID YOU KNOW?
Florida Academic Scholars (FAS) and Florida Medallion Scholars (FMS) earning a baccalaureate degree in seven semesters or fewer (or the equivalent in credit hours) may receive funding for one term of graduate study, not to exceed 15 semester hours, paid at the undergraduate rate.

WANT TO LEARN MORE?
www.floridastudentfinancialaid.org/ssfad/bf

CONTACT:
FAU Graduate College
777 Glades Road
SU 80, Room 101
Boca Raton, FL, 33431

fau.edu/graduate
graduatecollege@fau.edu
561.297.3624
FINANCIAL AID - ENROLLMENT

You must be enrolled *at least half-time* to receive financial aid, including loans. Your aid may be adjusted based on your enrollment.

For FALL and SPRING semesters:
- FULL-TIME = 9 or more credits
- 3/4 TIME = 7 - 8 credits
- 1/2 TIME = 4.5 - 6 credits
Before You Borrow:

• Determine your borrowing needs
• Determine your affordable debt level: The maximum amount of student loan debt you should incur in pursuit of your degree
• Loan fundamentals: Understand the terms and interest rates at studentloans.gov
• Stay in good standing – review NSLDS.ed.gov

fau.edu/finaid/debt-management/index.php
RESOURCES

NSLDS.ed.gov
StudentLoans.gov
FAFSA.gov
FAU.edu/finaid
Students are assigned a Financial Aid Counselor at the time their FAFSA is loaded into the FAU system.

Financial Aid Office
Student Support Services Bldg.
SU-80, Room 233
(561) 297-3530
www.fau.edu/finaid
FUN FACTS AND PRIZES

When is FAU’s priority deadline for submitting the FAFSA?
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Graduate College
Mission

FAU’s Graduate College is a service college dedicated to supporting graduate student success throughout our multi-campus research university. We aim to pursue excellence in graduate education by working closely with graduate students, graduate faculty, and academic colleges with graduate programs across the university.
FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS

- Graduate Fellowship Awards
- Assistantships
- Tuition Waivers
- Graduate Research and Inquiry Program (GRIP) Grant
- Graduate Loans (Unsubsidized Loan or Graduate PLUS Loan)
- FAU Graduate Grant (Student Fees)
- Academic College Fellowships
- Dissertation of the Year Award
- Bright Futures
The Graduate College has numerous fellowships and awards available to graduate students. A fellowship is an amount paid (stipend) to aid in the pursuit of study or research.

**FELLOWSHIPS**

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
Alice Griffin AAUW Graduate Fellowship
Delores A. Auzenne Fellowship
Dissertation Year Awards
Graduate Diversity Fellowship
Graduate Fellowship for Academic Excellence
McKnight Doctoral Fellowship
Newell Doctoral Fellowship

For more information, visit the Graduate College at [www.fau.edu/graduate](http://www.fau.edu/graduate) or contact your department. Fellowships may reduce financial aid awards and it is the student's responsibility to notify the Office of Student Financial Aid.
FINANCIAL AID - ASSISTANTSHIPS

Assistantships are awarded by individual departments. Compensation may include a tuition waiver and/or stipend.

• Graduate Assistants
• Teaching Assistants
• Research Assistants

Assistantships may reduce financial aid awards. Please notify the Office of Student Financial Aid if you will receive a tuition waiver.
## GRADUATE PROGRAMS

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Data from Graduate College brochure, Oct 2017. Includes new DSW program.

*Figure does not include all program concentrations.

**College of Education total includes 3 Specialist programs.
SELECT A PROGRAM

2018 U.S. News and World Report’s
“Best Online Graduate Programs”
College of Business
College of Education
Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing

Read More>>
Graduate Programs

We invite you to fully explore the graduate programs in FAU's eight academic colleges offering graduate degrees. Listed below are the graduate degrees and majors sorted by college.

**College for Design and Social Inquiry**  
Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters  
Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine  
College of Business  
College of Education  
College of Engineering and Computer Science  
Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing  
Charles E. Schmidt College of Science  
University Catalog

### COLLEGE FOR DESIGN AND SOCIAL INQUIRY

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| Public Administration                      | Master of Public Administration  
|                                            | Doctor of Philosophy          |
| **School of Social Work**                 |                               |
| Social Work                                | Master of Social Work          
|                                            | Doctor of Social Work         |
PROGRAM SHEETS BY MAJOR

fau.edu/graduate/programs/index.php

Graduate Programs

Charles E. Schmidt College of Science
Degree: Master of Science (M.S.)
Major: Biological Sciences

Important information about applying to Graduate School:
✓ Transcripts: Submit official transcripts in sealed envelopes from all schools attended.
NOTE: If you attended any of the Florida State University System institutions, transcripts may be submitted electronically.
✓ Supporting documentation: Supplemental applications, letters of recommendation, and/or portfolios should be submitted directly to your graduate program.
✓ Conduct: A “best” answer to either of the following questions on the online application will require a written explanation. Additional information may be requested when your application is reviewed. Applications will not be fully processed until all conduct issues are resolved.
✓ Application status: Once your application has been submitted, you can check your application status online to ensure transcripts and test scores have been received.
NOTE: Applications status will remain unavailable until an admissions decision has been made.
✓ Residence classification: Your residence classification automatically defaults to non-Florida. After you are admitted, the residency officer will review your application and request additional documents if needed.

Admission Requirements

Domestic Students
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0
- GRE scores of 151 (verbal) and 140 (quantitative)
- Letters of recommendation
- Statement of personal objectives in essay form
- Supplemental application required by department
- Committee from FAU Faculty Advisor

International Students
- Undergraduate GPA of 3.0
- GRE test scores of 335 (total) and 140 (quantitative)
- Three letters of recommendation
- Statement of personal objectives in essay form
- Supplemental application required by department
- Students are required to provide a personal evaluation of their country’s economy
- TOEFL scores of 550, TOEFL-iBT of 79, IELTS of 6.5
- Commitment from FAU Faculty Advisor
PATHWAYS TO GRADUATE EDUCATION

Accelerated Pathways
- Bachelor’s to Master’s Combined Degrees
- Program Plan with Summer Classes

Other Pathways
- International (Navitas)
- State College Articulation (Baccalaureate to Master’s)
GRADUATE STUDENT SUCCESS
RAMON GARCIA AREAS

- Ph.D. student, Integrative Biology
- Master’s *En Passant* in Biological Sciences
- B.S. in Biology
- Breast cancer researcher
- Graduate Teaching Assistant
- **GRIP Grant** awardee
STEVE SWANSON

- FAU Master of Applied Science in Computer Systems
- NASA astronaut
- 5½ months on International Space Station
FAU BY THE NUMBERS

FALL 2017 HEADCOUNT ENROLLMENT

30,179 students

Students from 50 states and 180 countries.

*Source: Registrar
HEADCOUNTR ENROLLMENT FALL 2017

**LEVELS OF STUDY**

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<td>545</td>
<td>312</td>
<td>857</td>
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<td>2,756</td>
<td>2,419</td>
<td>5,175</td>
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*Source: WebFocus

*Percentage of FAU population
# FALL 2017 ADMISSIONS

## GRADUATE ADMISSIONS

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<td>4,049</td>
<td>818</td>
<td>1,596</td>
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* Source: WebFocus
GRADUATE APPLICATION PROCESS

• Submit application at fau.edu/graduate
• Pay $30 application fee
• Submit transcripts from any previously attended institution (FAU graduates do not have to)
• Submit test scores, if required
• Submit supplemental documents (i.e., personal statement, letters of recommendation, resume, etc.)
GRADUATE ADMISSIONS TIPS

1. Know your deadlines (see program sheets)
2. Complete your FAFSA
3. Search for fellowship, scholarship, and awards early
4. Take the GRE/GMAT
5. **Apply early**
6. Make sure to submit ALL application materials
7. Know the faculty/staff at the department level
8. Reach out to the Graduate College with any questions
Fun Facts and Prizes

Name one type of financial assistance that graduate students may receive with the help of the Graduate College.
Why does FAU have an owl for a mascot?