

# **Info + Q&A Series** for International Students

## **Life in the U.S. and Getting Involved on Campus**

Presented by International Student Services





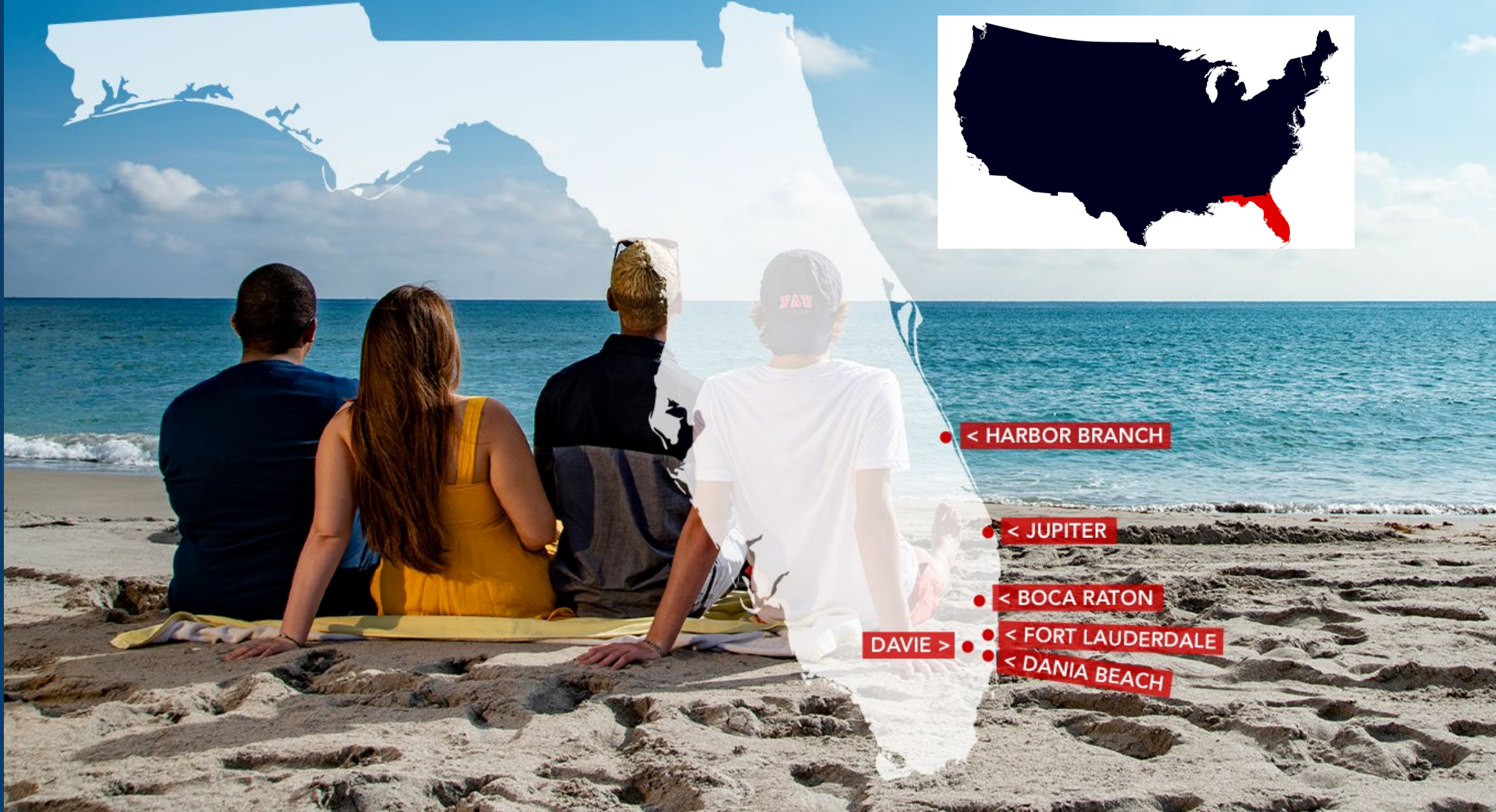
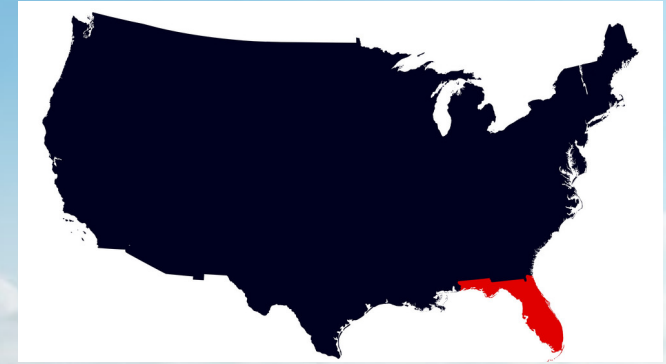
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# FAU Campuses



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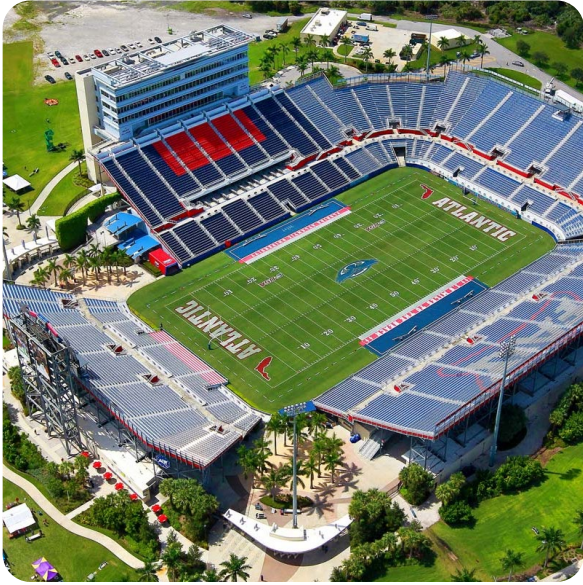


# Local FAU Area: Boca Raton, FL

- A vibrant coastal city - one of the best places to live on Florida's southeastern coast.
- Known for gorgeous beaches and luxury real estate.
- A safe place to live - low crime rates.
- Over 45 [parks and recreation areas](#).
- Located in **Palm Beach County**, but also close to Broward County and Miami-Dade County (known as Tri-County collectively).
- Close to major cities and airports
  - West Palm Beach – 30-45 minutes
  - Fort Lauderdale – 30-45 minutes
  - Miami – 1 hour
  - Orlando – 3 hours







# Boca Raton - Main Campus Facilities

- State-of-the-art classrooms & labs
- Suite-style housing for more than 4,500 students
- 16 dining locations
- Recreation and fitness center
- Library
- Football stadium
- Sports arenas and playing fields
- Art galleries
- Movie theater with café
- Student union
- eSports gaming center

[Virtual Tour of Campus](#)



# Things to Do in South Florida

- Shopping mall
- Movie theaters
- State parks
- Beaches
- Restaurants
- Grocery stores (Walmart, Publix, Target)
- Water parks
- Ice skating
- Bowling
- Much more!

Boca area:

Numerous attractions,  
shopping, and dining

[Mizner Park](#)

[Town Center Mall](#)

[Gumbo Limbo Nature Center](#)

[Sugar Sand Park](#)

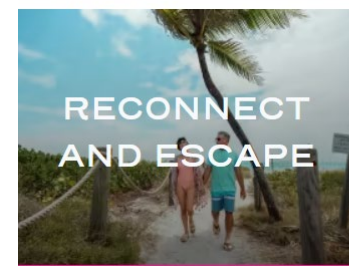
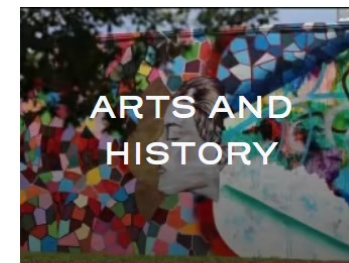
[Spanish River Park](#)

[Morikami Museum and Japanese Gardens](#)

[Boca Raton Museum of Arts](#)

Get some more ideas from the  
Visit Florida page:

<https://www.visitflorida.com/places-to-go/southeast/>







# Weather (1)

- Florida is called the “**Sunshine State**” because of its warm, sunny climate.
- Average of more than 240 days of sunshine a year.
- Experience summer highs of around the 80°F (27°C) and 90°F (32 °C); and cozy winter lows of 60°F (15°C) and 70°F (21°C)







# Weather (2)

- “The weather in Florida can be confusing.”
- Known for having a subtropical climate.
- Wet Season (May–October): Florida’s wet season brings about 68% of the state’s total rainfall for the year. Showers and thunderstorms happen frequently.
- Dry season (November–April): Brings significantly less humidity, reduced precipitation, and fewer storms.
- Hurricane season runs from June 1 through November 30.
- Regardless of the season, keep a close watch on the forecast, and try downloading a storm-tracking app like Storm to get the latest info on weather.
- **Tips: Umbrella and sunblock are your friends.**







# A Guide to Florida's Weather



## Average Temp

City	High	Low
Jacksonville	59	79
Orlando	62	83
Miami	69	83
Key West	73	83

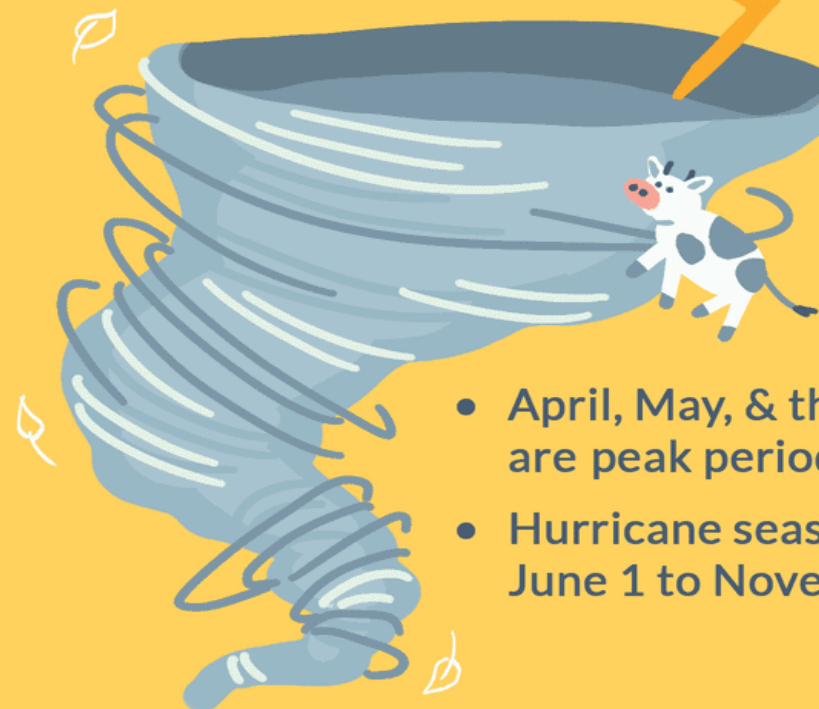
## Avg. Rainfall

59"

trip savvy

- Florida is the thunderstorm capital of the United States
- Lightning is the state's leading cause of weather-related death

## Weather



- April, May, & the summer months are peak periods for tornadoes
- Hurricane season runs from June 1 to November 30



# Student Organizations and Involvement

- Registered Student Organizations
  - More than 400 Student Organizations
  - Diverse, vibrant, and robust community
  - Leadership development opportunities
  - Can't find an organization that meets your needs? Start a new one!
- How to Get Involved
  - [OwlCentral](#) is FAU's network of registered student organizations
  - Search for organizations that interest you
  - Find contact and meeting info
- [International Friends Program](#)
- [Global Owls](#)
- [Indian Student Association](#)
- [Bangladeshi Students' Association](#)
- [Nepali Student Association](#)
- [FAU Indo Grooves](#)







# Student Involvement and Leadership Opportunities

- [Florida International Leadership Conference \(FILC\)](#)
- [Weppner Center for Lead and Service-Learning](#)





## International Friends Program

- The mission of the International Friends Program (IFP) is to help new international students transition and navigate college life at FAU while promoting cross-cultural friendship and fostering a sense of belonging among international and domestic students





# INTERNATIONAL FRIENDS PROGRAM (IFP)



## Start here as an IFP Mentee



**Connection:** Meet students from around the world and form lasting friendships.

**Support:** Transition smoothly into college life with the help of a mentor.

**Engagement:** Participate in campus events and activities.



## Become an IFP Mentor

**Make an Impact:** Mentor new international students and help them thrive.

**Enhance Skills:** Develop leadership and communication abilities.

**Plan events:** Plan and organize IFP events.



## Achieve Excellence as a Global Ambassador



**Represent FAU:** Be the voice of Florida Atlantic international students.

**Leadership Role:** Engage in panels, Global Owls, outreach, and university events.

**Receive a \$1,000 Scholarship:** Awarded for your contribution and commitment.



Scan the QR code and complete the interest form to learn more about the programs!



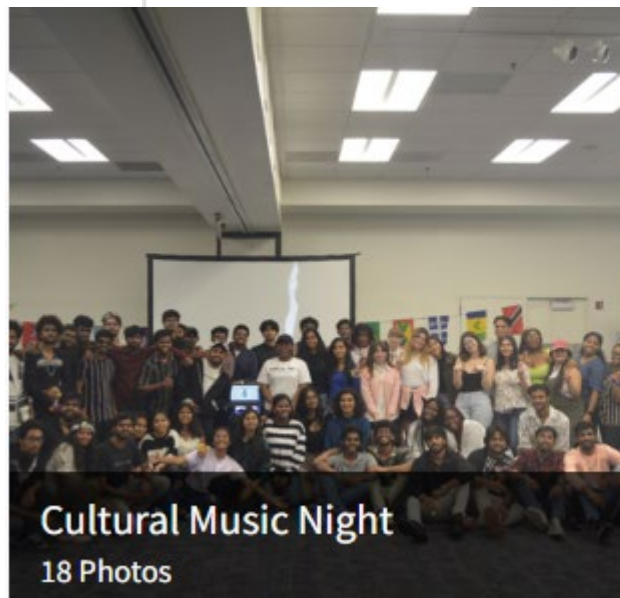
# Student Organization led by International Students



Global Owl's Taste of Nation

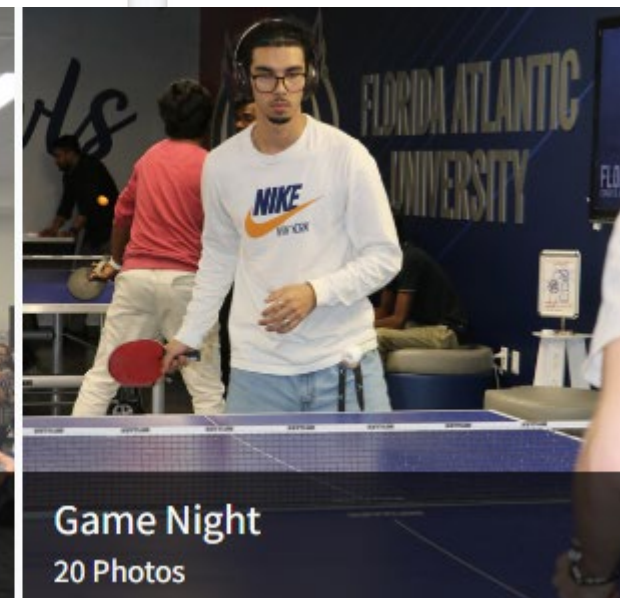


Global Coffee Hour- Colombia



Cultural Music Night

18 Photos



Game Night

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# Student's Sharing

- Sakshi Maurya, current graduate assistant working for events and programming.



# Q&A Time

