



Graduate Student Life

Services and Programs

Services

Graduate College Recruitment

The Graduate College provides prospective graduate students with individualized and group information sessions; including office appointments, monthly information sessions, a recruitment workshop, and an annual open house.

Graduate College Admissions

The Graduate College provides admission support to applicants and colleges as well as residency classification to new applicants and colleges at FAU.

New Graduate Student Orientation

Led by the Graduate College, with assistance from the Graduate and Professional Student Association, orientation includes what to expect as a graduate student, academic and social opportunities, graduate student policies and procedures, and information on available student services.

Graduate Teaching Assistant Workshops

To help newly-appointed graduate teaching assistants prepare for their teaching experience in our undergraduate classrooms and laboratories, the Florida Atlantic University Graduate College sponsors a mandatory Graduate Teaching Assistant (GTA) Workshop each fall and spring.

Seminar for International Teaching Assistants (SITA)

SITA is a multi-purpose program designed to prepare international graduate students to teach undergraduate students at FAU provided by International Student and Scholar Services that the Graduate College supports through marketing initiatives.

Student Financial Reviews for Graduate Assistants

The Graduate College provides information regarding the opportunities for graduate students to work closely with faculty members and undergraduate students in teaching, research, or administrative environments. Financial reviews are provided to breakdown the total cost of graduate education for which students are billed, such as tuition and fees.

Full-Time Status Equivalency

The Graduate College advises graduate students on the eligibility criteria to be classified as full-time with a reduced course load.

Academic Planning

Graduate College Forms: The Graduate College provides advising services to faculty, staff, and students related to the timely and accurate submission of required Graduate College Forms. These forms include: Plan of Study, Revision, Candidacy, Academic Progression Plans, Requests to Waive University Requirements, Changes to Thesis and Dissertation Committees, and Application for Degree.

Thesis and Dissertation Manuscript Reviews

The Graduate College provides up to two courtesy format reviews for one's thesis or dissertation.

Graduate Degree Completion

The Graduate College provides support to colleges and students by reviewing each graduate student's transcript at time of graduation to ensure that all degree requirements have been met.

Masters *En Passant*

The Graduate College works with various colleges to support students earning a "master's along the way" to a Ph.D., by means of advising, processing, and degree completion tracking.

Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) Co-Advising

The Graduate College supports student success and support efforts through the advising of the GPSA. The GPSA is a student organization that advocates for graduate and professional students across FAU.

Programs

Graduation Celebrations

The Graduate College and the Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA) provide receptions on the days of commencement for graduates earning a master's, specialist, or doctoral degree. Graduates and their family are invited to enjoy light refreshments, music, and a photo booth to capture the memory. Gifts are also provided to the graduates. Owsley and numerous faculty attend each reception to congratulate the graduates.

Graduate Fellowship Awards Reception

The Graduate College administers the application and award process for several graduate fellowships, including the Alice Griffin AAUW Graduate Fellowship, Delores A. Auzenne Fellowship, Dissertation Year Awards, Graduate Diversity Fellowship, Graduate Fellowship for Academic Excellence, McKnight Doctoral Fellowship, and the Newell Doctoral Fellowship.

Professional Development Workshops

Counseling and Psychological Services presents several Professional Development workshops, such as Healthy Communication, Stress Management, and Finding Balance in Graduate School and Work Life, that the Graduate College supports through marketing initiatives.

Scholarly Writing Workshops

The Graduate College offers a series of Scholarly Writing Workshops on topics such as Presenting Scholarly Work, Producing Scholarly Publications, and Developing Theses & Dissertations.

Graduate and Professional Research Day

Sponsored by the Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA), Research Day is an excellent opportunity for graduate and professional students to showcase their research and receive constructive feedback from faculty and peers.

Responsible Conduct of Research Workshops

RCR workshops are provided by the Division of Research on various topics, including: Conflict of Interest; Protection of Human Subjects and Welfare of Research Animals; Responsible Authorship & Publication, Peer Review and Mentor/Mentee Responsibilities; Data Management Practices, Research Misconduct and Collaborative Research. The Graduate College supports these workshops through marketing initiatives.

Graduate College Open House

At the Graduate College Open House, students have the opportunity to learn why FAU should be the first choice for graduate education.

Information Sessions

The Graduate College hosts monthly Information Sessions for prospective graduate students. The sessions provide an overview of the graduate admissions process and financial aid. The event includes presentations from several departments including the Graduate College, Testing and Evaluation, Test Preparation, and the Office of Student Financial Aid.

Recruitment Workshop

The annual Recruitment Workshop is a program that presents enrollment management information to graduate academic departments. The event also provides funding opportunities for academic departments through the Graduate Recruitment Grant and Graduate Recruitment Fellowship programs.

Newsletters

The Graduate College provides monthly newsletters to students, faculty, and staff, to keep each group informed on upcoming graduate events, deadlines, university initiatives, and happenings on campus.

Graduate Research and Inquiry Program (GRIP) Grants

The Graduate College developed the GRIP Grant program to assist and encourage doctoral, masters, and professional students by providing funding for scholarly research projects.

Thesis and Dissertation Formatting Workshops

The Graduate College offers workshops each semester on Thesis and Dissertation writing and how to properly format a Thesis or Dissertation.

For more information, visit: fau.edu/graduate