ACADEMIC ADVISING

Mission
The university is committed to quality academic advising for all students. The academic advising mission is to assist students in attaining their educational goals. New students are required to attend, and will receive advising during Preview, UF's new student orientation. After Preview, student advising is handled by college and departmental advisors.

University Responsibilities
The Academic Advising Center in Farrior Hall is responsible for certain university advising functions: coordinating academic advising during Preview, advising exploratory students, and providing resources and information to students interested in post-baccalaureate professional programs such as dentistry, law, medicine, and veterinary medicine.

Map (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0019) More Info (http://www.advising.ufl.edu/)

College/School and Department Responsibilities
The dean of each college or school ultimately is responsible for ensuring that academic advising is available and accessible to all students within the college or school. Some colleges' advisors are located in college-level offices, while others are located in departmental offices.

Academic Advising Contacts at UF (http://www.ufadvising.ufl.edu/)

Student Academic Responsibilities
To graduate, students are responsible for knowing and fulfilling all university, college, and major requirements.

All students must:
• Complete the Preview orientation program to receive academic advising before their first term of enrollment
• Maintain a GatorLink email address and read official university correspondence sent to this address
• Meet with an advisor in the appropriate college/major upon entrance to a major
• Confer with an advisor on a regular basis about options for a major if the student is undecided about a major
• Review the degree audit each semester to ensure they fully understand their remaining degree requirements
• Seek advising when experiencing academic difficulty to avoid, if possible, academic probation or off-track status, or to understand their options if on probation or off-track
• Maintain their own personal academic records, including transcripts, degree audits, evaluation of transfer work, and notes from previous advising sessions.

Students who at any time are confused about academic requirements or their progress toward a degree are encouraged and expected to meet with an advisor.

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Academic Progress

Universal Tracking

Universal Tracking is the university’s monitoring system that assesses progress toward the student’s degree requirements. It provides feedback on the student’s progress in a major, helping them find the best academic path to complete their degree. For each major, there is a model semester plan which represents an example progression for completing the degree in a timely fashion.

Each semester, students are reminded via GatorLink email and Registration Prep in ONE.UF to review their degree audit before registration for the next term. The audit fits the student’s courses and grades into the degree requirements for their major, indicating the requirements that have been completed as well as showing which requirements have yet to be completed.
**Students Who Enroll During the Fall and Spring Semesters**

Progress toward a degree is monitored in those semesters to ensure that students are on track. For these students, the summer terms may provide opportunities to catch up on critical-tracking courses or to improve their GPA.

**Students Who Enroll Only in the Spring and Summer Semesters**

**Innovation Academy Students**

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**Critical-Tracking Criteria**

Critical-tracking criteria usually include a minimum GPA (UF or overall, depending on the academic program), completion of certain courses toward the major (critical-tracking or preprofessional courses), and a minimum GPA in the critical-tracking courses (tracking or preprofessional GPA). The critical-tracking criteria are listed on the Critical Tracking tab for each major. For many majors, critical-tracking courses are bolded in the semester plan.

**Minimum Academic Progress Under Universal Tracking During Semesters 1-5**

- Students do not have to complete all of the courses in the model plan each semester to remain on track; they simply have to meet certain minimum requirements known as **critical-tracking criteria**.
- In the degree audit, a summary of critical-tracking criteria for the first five semesters as well as an area that tracks your progress through all eight semesters appears near the top of the audit.
- The critical-tracking criteria are minimum requirements for progression; students should consult their degree audit and their advisor to ensure they meet all requirements for graduation.
- All students admitted as freshmen are monitored in their first semester for the Semester 1 critical-tracking criteria, regardless of the number of credits they have earned through dual enrollment and credit by examination.
- During the first five critical tracking semesters, an **off-track** student will have a hold placed on their registration to require a meeting with an advisor to discuss the student's progress. This enables the student to determine what is necessary to get back on track, or to change to a more appropriate major.
- If a student is **off-track for two consecutive terms** in the first five critical tracking semesters, they must change to a major more appropriate to their skills, goals, and performance. Once the student selects a new major, they should contact the college offering that major to schedule an appointment with an advisor to discuss changing majors.

**Off-Track Notification During Semesters 1-5**

Student progress toward tracking is assessed twice a semester. An analysis of whether the student will be on track at the end of the term (‘predictive’ analysis) occurs in the fourth week. If a student is predicted to be off-track at the end of the term, a hold is placed on their registration requiring the student meet with an advisor to develop an academic plan to complete the critical-tracking courses for the current major or identify a more appropriate major.

If a student is predicted to be on-track during the term, but ends up off-track at the end of term, they should meet with an advisor in their college/major before the end of drop/add for the next term to make a plan to get on track or change majors.

Students should review any holds on [ONE.UF](http://one.uf.edu/) when planning their registration for the next semester.

**How Tracking Holds affect a Student**

- Holds applied before advance registration prevent students from registering until they consult an advisor to develop an academic plan to complete the critical-tracking courses for the current major or identify a more appropriate major.
- Holds applied at the end of the semester for failure to be on track for two consecutive semesters require students to see an advisor before the next term of enrollment to select a new major and to avoid cancellation of enrollment.

**Minimum Academic Progress Under Universal Tracking During Semesters 6-8**

- In the degree audit, critical-tracking criteria for semesters six through eight will appear in the “Critical Tracking Progress” area near the top of the audit only if the student has a critical tracking term of six through eight.
- The critical-tracking criteria are minimum requirements for progression; students should consult their degree audit and their advisor to ensure they meet all requirements for graduation.
- During the critical tracking semesters six through eight, an **off-track** student may have a hold placed on their record requiring them to formulate a plan for getting on track and preparing for graduation in a timely manner.
- If a student is **off-track for two consecutive terms** in during critical tracking semesters six through eight, they will be required to revise their graduation plan and undergo more intensive academic counseling to ensure they meet all academic requirements for timely graduation.
**Off-Track Notification During Semesters 6-8**

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**Academic Probation and Dismissal**

Academic probation and dismissal follow the academic standards of the university and require the maintenance of grade point averages and reasonable adherence to the program of study.

A minimum grade point average of 2.0 is required to graduate from any UF undergraduate degree program. Any college may specify additional academic standards and students are responsible for observing these regulations.

**Additional Information**

- Probation (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/academic-progress-policies/)
- Dismissal (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/academic-progress-policies/)
- Changing Majors (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/majors/#changingmajorstext)

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**Academic Support Programs**

**Academic Support, Office of | 105 Classroom Building (CBD)**

The Office of Academic Support (OAS) for Undergraduate Affairs, in collaboration with faculty, staff, and our campus partners, provides programs and services to enrich the experience of UF students. Our mission is to offer supportive resources and opportunities that help students thrive and grow professionally. OAS is committed to creating an encouraging and inclusive learning community that challenges our students to achieve academic excellence. Our comprehensive academic support includes peer coaching, tutoring, general advising, and other resources to promote students’ empowerment and growth as scholars. We help students set and achieve academic goals to persist, graduate, and advance in their careers.

Map (https://campusmap.ufl.edu/#/index/0105) More Info (http://oas.aa.ufl.edu/)

**Career Connections Center | Level Two Reitz Union**

The Career Connections Center (Career Center) provides events and services to help students develop and implement their Career Action Plan to realize their next steps. Students can work with Career Center staff to clarify their interests and abilities, select a major, develop professionally, build experience, and prepare for future internship, graduate school, or employment searches.

Students should activate their Gator CareerLink account to learn about the range of in-person and online career planning services available to them, and to see which employers are actively recruiting University of Florida candidates.

The Career Connections Center hosts hundreds of employers annually as they attend a variety of career events, hold on-campus interviews, present information sessions, and interact informally with students.

Map (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0686) More Info (https://career.ufl.edu/)

**Center for Undergraduate Research | 202 Newell Hall**

The Center for Undergraduate Research (CUR) is committed to fostering a culture of research that encourages students in all levels and disciplines to include a research component as a critical part of their undergraduate experience. CUR provides guidance to students interested in pursuing research opportunities and coordinates campus undergraduate research activities. CUR also works to expand undergraduate research opportunities across campus.

Map (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0013) More Info (http://cur.aa.ufl.edu/)

**Collegiate Veterans Success Center | 4th Floor Yon Hall**

The Collegiate Veterans Success Center serves over 2,000 student Veterans, Active Duty Service members, and military families at UF by providing a designated location on campus for student Veterans to study, meet with on and off campus resources, and to spend time with and support each other in a fun and relaxing space. The Collegiate Veterans Success Center at UF is also one of ninety-four universities to host the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs’ VetSuccess on Campus Counselor (VSOC). The VSOC Program serves as the on-campus face for the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. UF has been honored for its support services for student Veterans, Active Duty Service members, and military families.

- UF is ranked 1st out of 63 colleges and universities in Florida for Veteran friendliness (by College Factual);
- UF is ranked 4th out of 1,751 colleges and universities for Veteran friendliness (by College Factual);
- UF is ranked in the Top Ten of Tier One research institutions with outstanding programs and support for our nation’s Veterans and their Families (Military Friendly 2019); and
- UF was awarded a Best For Vets college award for excellent academic support of military students (Military Times 2019).
McNair Scholars Program | 319 Infirmary Building
The Ronald E. McNair Scholars Achievement Program encourages undergraduate students to pursue advanced studies at the Ph.D. level. This intense academic research program, one of the most prestigious in the country, is designed for first-generation and low-income college students, as well as students from groups underrepresented at the graduate level. There are 187 McNair programs nationally, which are funded by Federal TRIO Program grants from the U.S. Department of Education.
New scholars begin the program in the summer with an intensive research internship, which includes a three-credit Research Methods and Writing course, GRE preparation, and workshops on the graduate school application process and other topics related to graduate study at the doctoral level.

McNair Scholars receive mentoring, academic support, faculty-guided research experience, a research stipend of up to $2,800, and travel funding to present at professional conferences and visit prospective graduate programs. Application information (http://mcnair.aa.ufl.edu/application.aspx). Map (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0018) More Info (http://mcnair.aa.ufl.edu/)

**CLAS Academic Resources**
Formerly Teaching Center

Academic Resources offers various academic resources to help students succeed in their studies. All of our tutoring services are free to current students. The following tutoring services are available:

- Drop-in tutoring: best for students who have a few questions or want a place to study with the opportunity to ask questions of a tutor.
- Appointment tutoring: best for students who want to meet regularly with a tutor for an entire class period. These appointments meet at the same time each week of the term.
- Study Groups / SI: group tutoring which allows students to work together with a peer leader. In SI, students actively process concepts through social interaction.
- Test Reviews: large auditorium tutoring is great for an overall review of what to expect on upcoming course exams. GRE preparation workshops are also available each semester.
- Video Resources: features tutors explaining how they think about concepts and how they approach problem solving. These online resources are available any time.
- Language Studio: offers facilities and support for language learners and instructors. Activities include: language tutoring, meeting space, conversation space, and multimedia resources.
- Language proficiency test proctoring: UF students may use the FLPE (https://academicresources.clas.ufl.edu/testing/flpe/) to prove proficiency in a foreign language, and thus satisfy a foreign language requirement.

A study skills/learning strategies improvement program is also available. Students may work individually with a learning strategist or participate in workshops covering a variety of topics. Study skills videos are available online as well.

The Teaching Center also provides tutoring in satellite centers (mathematics through Calculus 1 in LIT 215 and chemistry in TUR 1315). Tutoring schedules may be found on the website. More Info (https://teachingcenter.ufl.edu/)

**University of Florida Libraries**

All seven of the libraries on campus serve the entire community, and each has a special mission to be the primary support of specific colleges and degree programs. The Libraries home page (https://uflib.ufl.edu) offers a wealth of information about the Libraries and links to a vast array of resources.

The Marston Science Library and Library West are the largest libraries on campus. In Marston, the first floor Collaboration Commons has 21 group study rooms and a multipurpose conference room featuring a multi-touch visualization wall. The first floor is also home to MADE@UF, a collaboration space created by the Libraries and Academic Technology with equipment, software and training for virtual reality and augmented reality applications. A 3D printing lab is located on the second floor and includes 3D scanners and printers available for lending.

Library West (Humanities and Social Sciences) offers 18 group study rooms, a graduate student floor, graduate student/faculty study carrels, and the Scott Nygren Scholars Studio, an emerging community center for digital humanities and digital scholarship. The One Button Video Recording Studio is available for student and faculty checkout. Ten ProctorU testing carrels are available by reservation. Library West also has a Tutoring Center, Accessibility Studio, and FitDesk study bikes.

Other campus libraries include the Health Science Center Library, Education Library, Architecture & Fine Arts Library, Smathers Library (special and area studies) and the Legal Information Center.

More Info (https://uflib.ufl.edu)

**University Multicultural Mentor Program**

The University Multicultural Mentor Program is an opportunity open to incoming students from underrepresented populations. The program pairs each participant with a faculty/staff mentor to assist with the students’ transition to college. Mentoring programs have a dramatic and positive effect on student retention, graduation rates, and faculty-student relations. This program lasts the full duration of the student's first year at UF and is administered by the Department of Multicultural and Diversity Affairs within the Division of Student Affairs. For more information, email ummp@ufsa.ufl.edu.

More Info (https://multicultural.ufl.edu/programs/ummp/)
University Writing Program | 2215 Turlington Hall

The University Writing Program (UWP) offers writing-intensive courses, workshops, and tutorial support to students and faculty. Instruction is based on the premise that writing is a skill necessary for success in all academic and professional fields.

The University Writing Program also provides one-on-one consultations on any topic related to writing in the Writing Studio. Students can make an appointment online or by contacting the UWP office.

Courses taught by writing program faculty include

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Variable topics for ENC 3254 include: Nature Writing; Travel Writing; Writing in Construction Management; Writing in the Environmental Sciences; Writing for Graphic Design; Writing in the Humanities; Writing for Non-Prosits; Writing in Sustainability; Writing in Women's Studies

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| ENC 3459 | Writing in the Medical Sciences                  | 3       |
| ENC 3464 | Writing in the Social Sciences                   | 3       |
| ENC 3465 | Writing in the Law                               | 3       |
| ENC 3466 | Writing in the Communication Sciences            | 3       |
| ENC 3483 | Writing in the Physical Sciences                 | 3       |
| ENC 4493 | Peer Tutoring in Rhetoric and Writing            | 2       |

Map (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0026) More Info (http://www.writing.ufl.edu/)
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E
• English Composition Placement (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-advising/placement/#englishcompositiontext)

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• Flexible Learning (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-advising/flexible-learning/)
• Foreign Language Placement (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-advising/placement/#foreignlanguagestext)

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