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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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.

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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 semester 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 make a plan to get back on track or change majors.
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 back on track or change majors.

Students should review any holds on ONE.UF (http://one.ufl.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.

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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**
- Probability (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/academic-progress-policies)
- Dismissal (http://catalog.ufl.edu/UGRD/academic-regulations/academic-progress-policies)
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).


Dean of Students Office Care Area | 202 Peabody Hall

Professionals in the Dean of Students Office work with students, their families, and campus and community resources to develop success plans and provide ongoing support for students in distress dealing with a variety of issues.

Map (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0004) More Info (https://www.dso.ufl.edu/care)

Disability Resource Center | Reid Hall and Cypress Hall

The Disability Resource Center (DRC) in the Division of Student Affairs, celebrates disability identity as a valued aspect of diversity. We champion a universally accessible community that supports the holistic advancement of individuals with disabilities.

The DRC serves more than 3,000 registered students to provide access within the academic environment. This may be done through academic accommodations as well as collaborating with faculty and staff across the University to proactively address barriers. Students are able to register online by visiting our website (https://disability.ufl.edu). DRC staff are available to consult with faculty and staff on how to best support the access needs of gators with disabilities. Students and their families can schedule an inquiry appointment to learn more about the DRC by emailing draccessuf@ufsa.ufl.edu or calling 352.392.8565. More Info (https://www.dso.ufl.edu/drc)

Graduate Diversity Initiatives, Office of | 123 Grinter Hall

The Office of Graduate Diversity Initiatives (OGDI) is a function of the Graduate School dedicated to the recruitment and retention of underrepresented graduate students. This includes increasing the number of UF graduate students from underrepresented ethnic/racial populations, low-income or first-generation college students, as well as advancing and promoting professional development for all graduate students at the University of Florida. OGDI strives to provide currently enrolled graduate students with programs and services to assist and support the pursuit of a successful graduate education. OGDI provides students with social, informational, referral, mentoring, and, in some cases, financial support. Additionally, OGDI maintains partnerships with administrative offices, academic units, research centers, student services, and organizations across campus to help students with the graduate experience. OGDI accomplishes its mission through several programs held throughout the academic year.

Undergraduates Interested in Graduate School

OGDI aims to improve our UF undergraduates’ access to information about graduate school opportunities and to assist graduate schools in identifying qualified underrepresented candidates interested in graduate studies. In this effort, OGDI maintains The University of Florida’s membership to the National Name Exchange Consortium (https://apps.grad.uw.edu/nne). This consortium matches undergraduate underrepresented students interested in graduate studies to graduate schools across the nation. The name exchange seeks to increase the number of qualified minority students accepted into graduate school. OGDI also participates in several recruitment events throughout the state and beyond.

More Info (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0002) More Info (http://graduateschool.ufl.edu/about-us/offices/division-of-graduate-student-affairs-dgsa/graduate-diversity-initiatives-ogdi) Email (ogdi@aa.ufl.edu)

International Center | 170 Hub

The UF International Center (UFIC) supports and promotes international education and research across the university and provides valuable support services for all students and faculty at UF through its various units. International Student Services provides immigration and orientation services to international students throughout their studies at UF. Exchange Visitor Services provides administrative support for international scholars at UF. The Office for Global Learning supports integrative global opportunities for faculty and staff to facilitate global learning courses and experiences. The Office for Global Research supports faculty development of international research and training programs.

The center also develops, administers, and coordinates study abroad programs, which are offered during spring break, summer, semester, and the entire academic year. Students can live and study abroad while fulfilling UF degree requirements. Exchange programs enable students to pay UF tuition while studying at an international partner institution. Scholarships and financial aid can help to finance the international academic experience. Study abroad advisors work with students to find a program that fits both their personal and academic needs. More Info (https://internationalcenter.ufl.edu)

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, and 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)

Teaching Center | SW Broward Hall, Main office
The Teaching Center 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.

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 is a certified Prometric, Pearson Vue Select, and NCTA Testing Center, and also provides test proctoring for distance education courses and CLEP exams. There is a fee for test proctoring/administration, however. Please be aware that CLEP exams must be taken and scores reported to UF before the end of the first semester of enrollment (or Fall semester for students entering Summer B).

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. Map (http://campusmap.ufl.edu/?loc=0011) 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 (http://cms.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. Six 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 (http://cms.uflib.ufl.edu)

University Minority Mentor Program
The University Minority Mentor Program is an opportunity open to first-year 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 six month program cycle is administered by Multicultural and Diversity Affairs. For more information, email ummp@multicultural.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 transferable 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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