ADMISSION

Few students are admitted purely on academic merit. While the potential for academic success is a primary consideration, UF’s comprehensive holistic application review also considers personal essays, academic awards, extracurricular activities, family background and home community. All information in the applicant’s file, academic and non-academic, is considered in relation to the size and strength of the applicant pool.

Admission Information for all Applicants

The general requirements below apply to undergraduate admission and readmission to any college or division of the university.

Please understand that admission to the university is selective. Only minimum requirements for admission are provided; satisfaction of these minimums does not guarantee admission:

- Online application for admission received by the Office of Admissions by the deadline.
- A non-refundable application fee of $30 for each term of application.
- A satisfactory academic record. Applicants must furnish a complete chronological record of educational institutions attended. Official transcripts must be submitted according to instructions on the application. Failure to declare attendance at another institution could invalidate an offer of admission and any credits or degrees earned.
- Satisfactory scores on achievement or aptitude tests.
- A satisfactory conduct record.
- The application must identify a preferred term of enrollment (summer, B, fall, or spring). The application may be considered for and admission may be offered to terms other than the preferred term specified on the application. Applicants who wish to change their term of entry should contact the Office of Admissions immediately.
- Admission to on-campus degree programs must be validated by taking one or more on-campus courses in the specific semester for which the student is accepted. Correspondence and/or Web courses do not fulfill this requirement, and this rule does not apply to Web-based degree programs.

Residency for Tuition Purposes

Requests for in-state residency for tuition purposes are not granted to applicants who appear to have entered the state solely for educational purposes.

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Proof of Immunization

Before registering for classes, each person accepted for admission must submit proof of immunization. No student will be permitted to register until the Student Health Care Center has received and approved the mandatory health form.

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Computer Requirement

Access to and ongoing use of a computer is required of all students. The university expects new students and continuing students to acquire computer hardware and software appropriate to the degree program. The cost of meeting this requirement will be included in financial aid considerations.

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Notice of Admission

When an application for admission is approved, the university will send a notice of admission for a specific term. If the student is unable to enroll for the term indicated or wishes to be considered for entrance to a different term, the Office of Admissions should be notified immediately.

All offers of admission are tentative (if coursework is currently in progress) and will remain so until the Office of Admissions receives and reviews final transcripts and credentials. Students who are admitted conditionally may enroll, subject to verification of satisfaction of all conditions of admission. Admission offers will be revoked if final coursework/credentials do not meet admission requirements. Should that occur, the student’s classification will change to a non-degree status and enrollment will be denied.

Under no circumstances should an applicant make plans to depart for Gainesville until the university has provided official admission notification. An applicant who comes to campus without confirmation of admission does so entirely at his or her own risk. Presence on campus will not influence the admission decision.

Applicants who furnish false or fraudulent statements or information in connection with an application for admission or residence affidavit could receive disciplinary action, denial of admission and invalidation of credits or degrees earned.

Under Board of Education policy, the university can admit a limited number of students as exceptions to the requirements listed above.

Freshmen

Current high school students seeking college freshman placement and students who have earned fewer than 12 semester credits following graduation from high school.

Applicants who received their high school diploma and an Associate of Arts degree at the same time should complete the freshman application, which will be evaluated for both freshman and junior-level admission standards.

How to Apply

Freshman applicants must apply online. Apply Online

When to Apply

Admission priority is provided to qualified applicants whose applications and supporting documents are received by the Office of Admissions during the preferred application period from August 1 through November 1. Applications received outside this period will be considered on a space-available basis only.

Incoming Freshman Deadlines

- The freshman application period is August 1 through November 1, regardless of entering term.
- Freshman decisions will be available in mid-February for students who applied by November 1.
Freshman Selection

The selection process is based on the applicant’s academic credentials and a holistic review of the application. It is very difficult to predict the admissibility of any applicant without considering all information contained in the application and the size and strength of the applicant pool. All factors must be considered in the admission review.

The Office of Admission considers an applicant’s total high school record, including grades, test scores, educational objective and pattern of courses completed, and personal background and experiences. Admission becomes selective when the number of qualified applicants exceeds the number of freshman spaces available.

Minimum Requirements for Freshman Admission Consideration

Minimum freshman admission requirements include:

- Graduation from a regionally accredited secondary school or the equivalent (G.E.D., etc.).
- 18 academic units, 16 distributed as follows:
  
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- A cumulative C average in the academic core, as computed by the university, at all institutions attended, high school and college.
- A record of good conduct. Major or continuing difficulty with school or other officials may render an applicant ineligible regardless of academic qualifications.

Home Schools and Non-Accredited Schools

In addition to the freshman application requirements listed above, homeschooled students and students attending non-accredited schools must complete the following additional requirements:

- Send transcripts from all previous institutions you have attended, including a homeschool transcript.
- Submit scores from the SAT Subject Tests in mathematics (Level II-C), foreign language, science and social science if you have not completed two courses in a specific subject area at an accredited institution, such as a local high school, Florida Virtual School, or a state community college.

Credit by Examination

There are several credit-by-examination programs that earn credit toward a UF degree. The university participates in the Advanced Placement (AP) program, the College Level Examination Program (CLEP), the International Baccalaureate (IB) program and the Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE). Students may receive university credit for or exemption from such courses without credit, depending on the results.

Dual-Enrollment Credit

Courses from Florida public colleges and State University System schools generally adhere to the Statewide Course Numbering System. If the prefix (first three letters) and the last three digits of the course number are the same, then the course is considered equivalent.

Equivalent courses will generally fulfill the same requirements (e.g., general education) that the UF course fulfills. However, whether a course fulfills UF’s writing requirement is determined by specific criteria, not course number equivalency.

International Students

The Office of Admissions classifies an applicant as an undergraduate if he or she has not earned a university degree equivalent to a U.S. bachelor’s degree.

How to Apply

International applicants must apply online.

Apply Online

Applications cannot be considered until the Office of Admissions receives ALL required credentials. International applicants should supply the following:

- All international applicants should apply online.
- Submit the non-refundable $30 application fee (U.S. currency drawn on a U.S. bank or credit card).
- Submit appropriate test scores:
  
  - Freshmen must submit official SAT or ACT scores.
  - Applicants whose native language is not English must submit official scores from the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or the Michigan English Lab Assessment Battery (MELAB)
  - Applicants are exempt from the English proficiency requirement if enrolled for one academic year in a degree-seeking program.
at a recognized/regionally accredited university or college in
a country where English is the official language prior to your
anticipated term of enrollment or if you are from one of the
following countries.

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- International applicants are required to submit secondary and college
  or university credentials from non-U.S. institutions to a credential
  evaluation agency for a course-by-course evaluation with grade point
  average calculation.

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**Transfer Students**

A transfer student is defined as an applicant who has earned at least 12
semester credits of credit following graduation from high school and who
has not received a bachelor’s degree.

**How to Apply**

Transfer applicants must apply online.

Apply Online

**When to Apply**

Transfer applicants generally are received six to nine months before the
term begins. Apply by your intended college's deadline.

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**Transfer Eligibility**

- Must have completed an Associate of Arts degree from a Florida
  public institution or at least 60 transferable semester credit hours
  from a regionally accredited institution
- Must show proficiency in a foreign language. Students can do this by
  providing a high school transcript showing completion of two years of
  the same foreign language OR by completing 8-10 semester hours by
  the same foreign language.
- Must have a minimum 2.0 overall GPA and a minimum 2.0 GPA at the
  last institution attended as calculated by UF.
- Must complete or will complete specific requirements for intended
  major before attending UF.
- Must be in good standing and eligible to return to any institution
  previously attended.

Students with less than 60 semester credit hours or who have already
completed a bachelor’s degree are not eligible to transfer to an on-
campus program.