



UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA : ORLANDO, FLORIDA

# WE ARE UCF

2016-17 : VIEWBOOK FOR UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS



THIS IS UCF

# HOW IT'S ALWAYS BEEN DONE IS DONE.

We're hungry and growing, with something to prove — just like you. At UCF, we are not bound by 200 years of tradition. We think differently. We're a new kind of university, the progressive disruptor of higher education in America. Joining our community of thinkers and innovators will push your boundaries to exciting new places. Because only you can unleash your potential — and we're here to help make it happen.

UCF CREED

## INTEGRITY

I will practice and defend academic and personal honesty.

## SCHOLARSHIP

I will cherish and honor learning as a fundamental purpose of my membership in the UCF community.

## COMMUNITY

I will promote an open and supportive campus environment by respecting the rights and contributions of every individual.

## CREATIVITY

I will use my talents to enrich the human experience.

## EXCELLENCE

I will strive toward the highest standards of performance in any endeavor I undertake.



WHY UCF?

Being at UCF puts you in the midst of a modern, energetic and diverse environment, where you can explore your passions and be part of something new and exciting. Our warm and sunny location, internship opportunities, innovative research and extraordinary academics are just a few of the reasons why students enroll at UCF.

UNLEASHING POTENTIAL

# THE BENEFITS OF BIG

You dream big. So do we. It's how big things get accomplished. Big gives you hundreds of ways to explore your interests until you discover your passion. Big provides the resources to evolve that passion into a meaningful career. Big creates communities of like minds on a campus where everyone can find a home. Big builds a foundation of support for whatever you need to succeed. Big challenges you to stand on your own two feet and forge your future. And big opens the world up to you through a global network of Knights, ready to show you the way.

## QUICK FACTS

## STUDENT POPULATION\*

**64,000**

## STUDENTS COME FROM



## NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARS\*

**280**

**48** PERCENT

of UCF students graduate without any educational debt — compared to 33 percent nationally

\*Projected Fall 2016

UCF ranks alongside Harvard, MIT, Stanford and Duke among the most innovative universities in the country, according to *U.S. News & World Report's Best Colleges 2016* guide.

We attract exceptional academic achievers — incoming fall freshmen have an rSAT average of 1324, an average ACT of 28 and an average high school GPA of 4.0.

Our graduates win Fulbright, Goldwater, Mellon, Rhodes, Truman and Udall scholarships.

We are ranked by the Carnegie Foundation for “very high research activity.”

UCF produces more graduates who get jobs in aerospace and defense companies than any other U.S. university, according to a 2015 *Aviation Week* magazine workforce study.

Kiplinger and The Princeton Review consistently rank a UCF education among the nation’s best values.

The Rosen College of Hospitality Management is ranked the No. 5 hospitality and hotel management school in the world by *CEOWorld Magazine*.





## OUR CAMPUS

# KNIGHTS' DOMAIN

To really appreciate our campus, you need to see it. Take a walk through Memory Mall, stroll by the Reflecting Pond, and visit the Student Union. Here are some of the most popular spots at UCF.

## ① DUKE ENERGY UCF WELCOME CENTER

Home to the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, here you'll learn about everything UCF has to offer. Our admissions staff is available to answer your questions, and student ambassadors will guide you on a walking tour of campus.

## ② REFLECTING POND

A popular spot to study and socialize, the Reflecting Pond is located near the John C. Hitt Library, Millican Hall and the Education Complex. Join us here for Spirit Splash before each Homecoming game, when the pond is transformed into a pep rally.

## ③ FERRELL COMMONS

Close to the Libra, Apollo, Nike and Hercules housing communities, Ferrell Commons is a popular spot for students. Here you can use your meal plan at the '63 South dining hall or prepare for exams at the All Knight Study.

## ④ STUDENT UNION

Located at the heart of campus, the Student Union features more than 10 eateries. It also houses computer labs, lounges, meeting and retail spaces, and the full-service SGA Ticket Center, which offers student discounts on local attractions.

## ⑤ MEMORY MALL

This large, open grassy area — located near Classroom II, the UCF FAIRWINDS Alumni Center, the Veterans Commemorative Site, Career Services and Knights Plaza — is where you can find students enjoying a sunny afternoon or fans tailgating before a football game.

## ⑥ KNIGHTS PLAZA

Anchored by the CFE Arena and Bright House Networks Stadium, this exciting spot on campus offers concerts and shows, plus NCAA sports and cultural events. There's an All Knight Study and a Recreation and Wellness Center. Dining options include Knightro's, Burger U, Jimmy John's and Kyoto Sushi & Grill. And the Barnes & Noble @ UCF is the largest bookstore on campus.

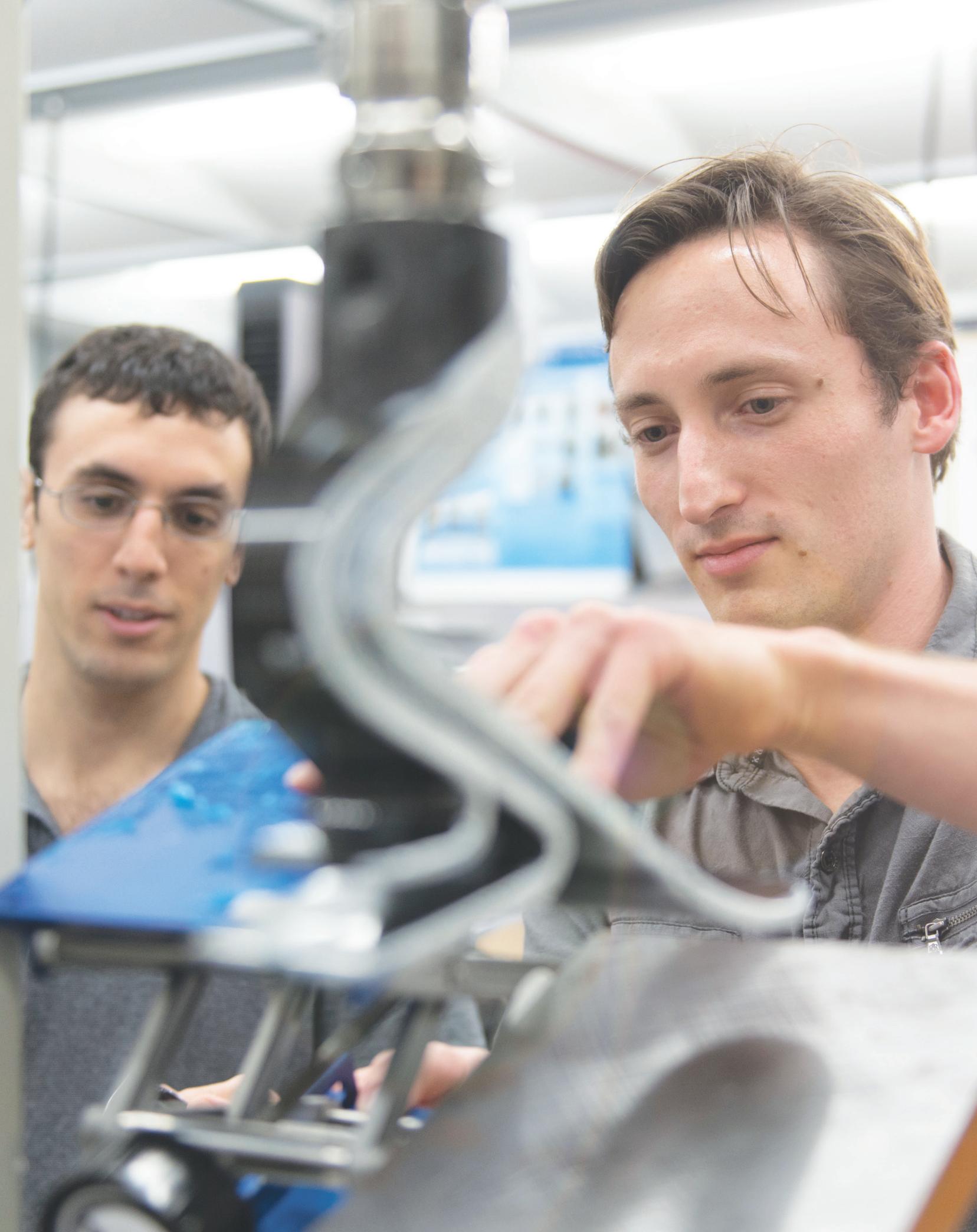
## ⑦ RECREATION AND WELLNESS CENTER

This facility offers two swimming pools, cardio and fitness floors, a 41-foot rock climbing tower, sand volleyball and multipurpose courts, and more. Aerobics, yoga, Pilates and spinning are a few of the classes offered to students free of charge. The university's intramural and club sports are supervised here as well.

## HOUSING

With 10 communities located across the campus, there's no more convenient place for students to live. The Towers at Knights Plaza are within steps of concerts and sporting events. The Neptune, Nike and Hercules communities are adjacent to the Recreation and Wellness Center and its resort-style leisure pool. The Lake Claire Community is close to the natural beauty of its namesake and Greek row. NorthView is our newest apartment community, located just north of Bright House Networks Stadium. And the Apollo and Libra communities are central to Ferrell Commons and many classroom buildings.





# CURIOSITY LEADS THE WAY.

THERE'S A LOT TO LEARN HERE.

## DEGREE PROGRAMS

93

Bachelor's

84

Master's

31

Doctoral

You ask the big questions. Without them, there will be no answers. We encourage you to challenge convention and, in turn, challenge yourself to be entrepreneurial, innovative and inclusive in everything you do. In any of the 212 degree programs offered by our 13 colleges, you'll expand your intellectual perspective to broad, new horizons, conduct cutting-edge research that writes headlines, and gain real-world experiences through internships and co-ops that lead to dream jobs. Our faculty bring expertise from around the world that will shatter your preconceptions, fuel your discoveries, and reward your hard work with the knowledge and skills to create a positive impact on the world.

# OPTIONS ARE A GOOD THING.

We offer nearly 100 undergraduate majors. See something that interests you? We thought so. It might be difficult narrowing your decision. No problem. We have experts ready to help you get started. The possibilities are exciting, aren't they?

[ucf.edu/degree-search](http://ucf.edu/degree-search)

## DEGREE PROGRAMS

### A

- Accounting
- Advertising-Public Relations
- Aerospace Engineering
- Anthropology
- Applied Science
- Architecture
- Art
- Art Education
- Athletic Training

### B

- Biology
- Biomedical Sciences
- Biotechnology
- Business Economics

### C

- Chemistry
- Civil Engineering
- Communication and Conflict
- Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Computer Engineering
- Computer Science
- Construction Engineering
- Criminal Justice

### D

- Digital Media

### E

- Early Childhood Development and Education
- Economics
- Electrical Engineering
- Elementary Education
- English
- English Language Arts Education
- Entertainment Management
- Environmental Engineering
- Event Management

### F

- Film
- Finance
- Forensic Science
- French

### H

- Health Informatics and Information Management
- Health Sciences/Pre-clinical Track
- Health Services Administration
- History
- Hospitality Management
- Human Communication
- Humanities and Cultural Studies

### I

- Industrial Engineering
- Information Technology
- Integrated Business
- Interdisciplinary Studies
- International and Global Studies

### J

- Journalism

### L

- Latin American Studies
- Legal Studies

### M

- Management
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Mathematics Education
- Mechanical Engineering
- Medical Laboratory Sciences
- Music
- Music Education

### N

- Nursing

### P

- Philosophy
- Photography
- Photonic Science and Engineering
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Administration

EVEN MORE →

## DEGREE PROGRAMS CONT.

### R

- Radio-Television
- Real Estate
- Religion and Cultural Studies
- Restaurant and Foodservice Management

### S

- Science Education
- Social Science Education
- Social Sciences
- Social Work
- Sociology

Spanish

Sport and Exercise Science

Statistics

### T

- Technical Education and Industry Training
- Theatre
- Theatre Studies

### W

- World Languages Education
- Writing and Rhetoric

## PRE-PROFESSIONAL PROGRAMS

Pre-chiropractic

Pre-dental

Pre-law

Pre-medical

Pre-occupational therapy

Pre-optometry

Pre-osteopathy

Pre-pharmacy

Pre-physical therapy

Pre-podiatry

Pre-veterinary

## CAN'T DECIDE?

That's OK. We're here to help. Meeting with your academic advisors regularly throughout your time at UCF will provide key information, guidance and encouragement. Beginning at orientation, the First Year Advising and Exploration team will assist you in fulfilling your academic requirements for enrollment, selecting your major and future career options, understanding UCF policies and procedures, registering for classes and more. [fyae.sdes.ucf.edu](http://fyae.sdes.ucf.edu)



## GO FURTHER

Expand your college experience beyond traditional boundaries with short-term programs, long-term exchanges and international internships in more than 30 countries around the globe. [studyabroad.ucf.edu](http://studyabroad.ucf.edu)

BY DESIGN

The Robinson Observatory provides student research opportunities and hosts regular stargazing events for the public.



Each year, students from the UCF College of Engineering and Computer Science battle it out at the Great Navel Orange Race at the Reflecting Pond. For this final project, students design a vessel that can transport an orange around the perimeter of the pond.



Hands-on learning is one of the best ways to succeed in your field of study.



UCF's Wi-Fi network offers free internet access in buildings and residence halls across campus.



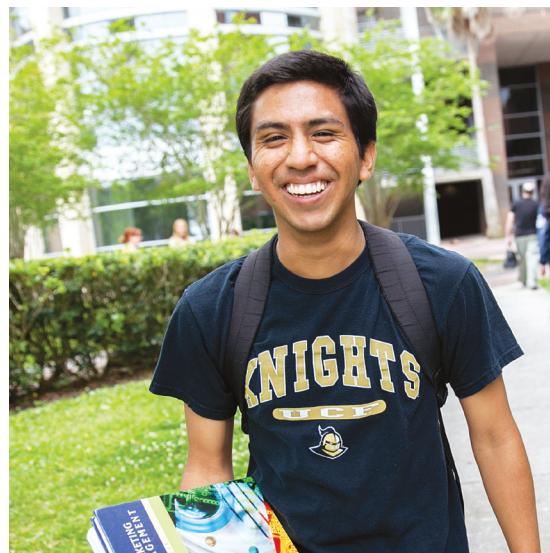
Study-abroad and international research programs can take you to exotic foreign destinations.



## ACADEMICS

# IT'S TIME TO DISCOVER.

At UCF, you'll be introduced to caring faculty, explore groundbreaking research opportunities and enjoy our student-centered approach to learning. There are 13 colleges and more than 200 degree programs to choose from — it's all here. So, whatever your passion, we've got the program to get you going in the right direction.  
[ucf.edu/academics](http://ucf.edu/academics)



## COLLEGE

## ARTS AND HUMANITIES

*Your passion for personal expression has the power to fill hearts and change minds.*

The College of Arts and Humanities provides a dynamic incubator for artistic explorations of every kind, from literature to philosophy, fine arts to digital media and theater to music. In any of its 30 programs, you'll explore your boundaries in state-of-the-art facilities, develop your talents under the guidance of faculty who practice what they teach, and learn real-world lessons through cooperative community partnerships.  
[cah.ucf.edu](http://cah.ucf.edu)

## HITTING THE HIGH NOTES

- In 2015, UCF's Chamber Singers performed with the Rolling Stones at the 65,000-seat Camping World Stadium as part of the band's 15-city North American tour.
- Student filmmakers won an Emmy Award at the 37th College Television Awards for "Filthy Dreamers," a documentary about the challenges to academic freedoms at Florida State College for Women in the 1920s.



Flying Horse Editions, UCF's downtown Orlando visual arts research studio, invites internationally renowned creators to collaborate with student interns.



## STUDENT

## Creating Cultural Context

**SABRINA JEROME** is building an appreciation for diverse cultures at UCF to achieve her goal of becoming an immigration lawyer. The religion and cultural studies major believes that understanding social contexts will improve how she advocates for immigrants and other underserved populations in her future career. And her service as assistant chief justice for the Student Government Association has given Sabrina the practical experience to fuel her professional success.

**"**UCF emphasizes inclusion and diversity. Learning about people from different parts of the world really helps in my decision-making. It helps in my leadership. It helps me as a person."



COLLEGE

## BURNETT HONORS

*You have the desire to reach beyond campus and expand your learning experience.*

The Burnett Honors College is dedicated to inspiring the highest academic achievement through exclusive research programs, seminars, symposiums and study-abroad opportunities that offer formative experiences beyond the classroom. You'll join a collaborative community of scholars from all disciplines and benefit from small classes that allow for more discussion and greater interaction with honors faculty. [honors.ucf.edu](http://honors.ucf.edu)

### THE HONORS ADVANTAGE

- Choose from more than 140 honors-level general education courses every year — with only 20 students per class.
- The Honors Symposium features prestigious faculty and community leaders presenting their thoughts on intriguing topics such as biology, philosophy and psychology.
- Honors interdisciplinary seminars combine two areas of study to shape new ways of understanding subjects from history to biology to computer science.
- Burnett Research Scholars, UCF's premier undergraduate research program, can help you identify and work with faculty mentors in a research area of shared interest.

COLLEGE

## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

*You want to drive the future of business to the next frontier for more than just profit.*

The College of Business Administration trains students to adapt and succeed in a rapidly changing economy by embracing an entrepreneurial attitude toward education. You'll specialize in accounting, economics, finance, management, marketing, real estate or integrated business, and supplement traditional classroom experiences with real-world learning opportunities. You can also participate in internships, study-abroad programs, corporate partnerships, business plan competitions and new venture incubators such as the UCF Blackstone LaunchPad. [bus.ucf.edu](http://bus.ucf.edu)

### SERIOUS BUSINESS

- In 2016, the college was recognized by *U.S. News & World Report* as having one of the Best Undergraduate Business Programs in the country.
- All of our undergraduate programs are accredited by AACSB International, which represents the highest standard of achievement for business schools worldwide. Less than 5 percent of business school programs worldwide have earned this accreditation.

*The college offers more than 20 business-related student organizations and associations where you can make connections, strengthen leadership skills and hone teamwork.*



COLLEGE

## EDUCATION AND HUMAN PERFORMANCE

*You answer a noble calling to ignite the spark of knowledge in others through teaching.*

The College of Education and Human Performance prepares future educators and sport and exercise science practitioners to teach, coach and lead with creativity and passion. You'll employ cutting-edge technology to master the most current methods in preparation for the classroom or lab. Extracurricular experiences through community partnerships with local schools will give you a competitive edge in the job market after graduation. [education.ucf.edu](http://education.ucf.edu)

### HIGHER EDUCATION

- The Counselor Education Program ranked ninth nationally by *U.S. News & World Report* in 2016.
- Six of the 26 appointed public school district superintendents in Florida are College of Education and Human Performance alumni.

COLLEGE

## ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

*You need to know how and why things work — and make them work better.*

The College of Engineering and Computer Science will challenge you to think creatively as you conduct innovative research in aerospace, civil, computer, electrical, mechanical, environmental and other engineering disciplines. Creating 3-D printed robotic arms, designing a self-driving car or developing artificial intelligence are just a few of the projects you might work on. You can also gain practical experience through internships in our adjacent Central Florida Research Park, as well as with industry partners including Siemens, Lockheed Martin and Harris Corporation. [cecs.ucf.edu](http://cecs.ucf.edu)

### MAKER CULTURE

If you can think it, you can create it in the Maker Space Lab Complex. Sketch out ideas on whiteboard walls and tables in the Harris Corporation Gathering Lab, prototype your project with 3-D printers and laser cutters in the Texas Instruments Innovation Lab, and bring it to life with heavy machinery in the Manufacturing Lab.





FACULTY

## Teaching Computers to Understand

**FEI LIU** is teaching computers to better understand humans. The assistant professor in the College of Engineering and Computer Science is pioneering natural language processing to help machines learn and derive meaning from written text and generate it as well. She uses an algorithm that identifies important details in massive amounts of content and produces summaries that reduce information overload for humans.

**“**Misspellings, abbreviations and slang cause problems in computer translation. By developing an algorithm that converts them into standard English, smartphone apps or car systems could correctly read out text messages while you drive.”

COLLEGE

## HEALTH AND PUBLIC AFFAIRS

*You strive to serve humanity and improve our future – one challenge at a time.*

The College of Health and Public Affairs empowers students who want to impact positive change in local communities and across the globe. By collaborating with faculty, participating in research, gaining experience through service-learning with community partnerships, and assisting with national and international policy and program development, you'll prepare for a career in social work, public administration, health management and informatics, criminal justice and other socially beneficial fields. [cohpa.ucf.edu](http://cohpa.ucf.edu)

## CHANGE STARTS HERE

- The Communication Disorders Clinic houses the largest clinical education program for speech-language pathology graduate students in the United States.
- The Center for Public and Nonprofit Management is implementing an innovative new leadership training program for the Florida Department of Children and Families to educate child welfare professionals.



*Students in the social work program earn real-world experience through field placements at agencies throughout Central Florida.*



*The college employs the most current technology to train health care professionals to better care for their patients.*

COLLEGE

## NURSING

*Your innate caring nature can ease suffering and preserve life.*

The College of Nursing is an active member of the health care community, utilizing the latest technology and community-oriented programs to develop future professionals. Through cutting-edge research, clinical training and community service, you'll learn the most current techniques and develop in-demand leadership skills necessary to provide high-quality patient care to serve the needs of a changing population. [nursing.ucf.edu](http://nursing.ucf.edu)

## PREPARED FOR SUCCESS

College of Nursing undergraduate students routinely exceed state and national averages on the RN license exam (NCLEX-RN), ranking among the top 4 percent nationally and boasting one of the highest pass rates of equivalent programs in Florida.



COLLEGE

## MEDICINE

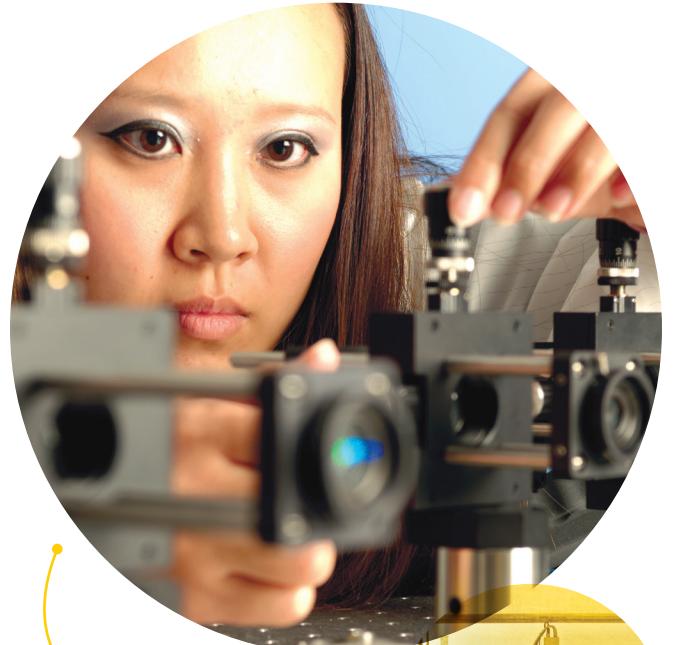
*You want to save lives, cure diseases and make discoveries at the forefront of biotechnology.*

History-making. Groundbreaking. A national model for medical education. These are just a few of the things people across the nation are saying about the college. The Burnett School of Biomedical Sciences is nationally known for its innovative research in fields from Alzheimer's disease to cancer and heart disease. And our modern southeast Orlando complex is the anchor of Lake Nona Medical City, where our students benefit from neighbors such as the Nemours Children's Hospital and the Orlando VA Medical Center. [med.ucf.edu](http://med.ucf.edu)

## A STRONG FOUNDATION

The Burnett School of Biomedical Sciences prepares you for:

- Admission to graduate school, medical school or other professional health schools
- Research with scientists or physicians at universities
- Careers in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries



**COLLEGE**  
Optics faculty and students work with cutting-edge equipment to push the boundaries of this emerging field.



## COLLEGE OPTICS AND PHOTONICS

*Your fascination with light and lasers can advance technology to the next level.*

The College of Optics and Photonics is the place to pioneer the science and technology of lights, lasers, fiber optics, imaging systems and other areas of study. You'll embark on groundbreaking research under the guidance of internationally recognized faculty, and leverage key industry partnerships to gain practical experience that will translate into a career at the forefront of this fast-moving field. [creol.ucf.edu](#)

### LASER FOCUSED

- Faculty have produced more than 260 patents and spun off 26 companies.
- Four startup companies are incubated within the college's facilities.
- Researchers developed the world's fastest fiber optic cable, enabling a record-breaking data transmission of 255 terabits per second, approximately 21 percent more bandwidth than current communication networks.

### COLLEGE

## ROSEN COLLEGE OF HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

*Your drive to make people smile can take you to amazing places.*

The Rosen College of Hospitality Management is strategically located near the heart of one of the world's largest and most popular tourism destinations. At our campus near International Drive, you'll learn to manage hotels, restaurants, theme parks, entertainment and events from international faculty, gain exclusive industry exposure through paid work experiences, and develop important professional relationships with key local hospitality partners. [hospitality.ucf.edu](#)

### TOP-LEVEL TRAINING

- Rosen College is one of the top five hospitality management programs in the world.
- It is America's largest program, with 3,500 undergraduate students.
- Study-abroad programs offer partnerships with six international universities.
- More than 90 percent of students secure full-time employment upon graduation.



Rosen College labs provide skills training that will benefit your future career.



Central Florida is a living classroom for biology students.



### COLLEGE

## SCIENCES

*Your instinct to investigate the mysteries of our world is the key to its survival.*

The College of Sciences, UCF's largest college, builds the foundations needed for critical thinking as well as career success in programs ranging from communication and journalism to the physical, biological, social, behavioral and computational sciences. You'll learn inside and outside of the classroom and lab by participating in internships, research and field work on the Florida coast, Bolivia, Peru, Egypt and beyond. [cos.ucf.edu](#)

### COLLABORATIVE APPROACH

- Center for Lunar and Asteroid Surface Science
- Lou Frey Institute of Politics and Government
- National Center for Forensic Science

### COLLEGE

## UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES

*You're an intellectual explorer and have too many interests to choose just one.*

The College of Undergraduate Studies offers the ability to tailor your program of study to suit your individual academic and career goals. This flexibility lets you choose your own path in environmental studies, women's studies or interdisciplinary studies. For students pursuing degrees in science, technology, engineering or mathematics, the college administers the National Science Foundation-funded EXCEL program to increase success in the freshman and sophomore science and mathematics courses as well as facilitate experiential learning, undergraduate research and advising. [undergrad.ucf.edu](#)



## THE NEXT LEVEL



Graduate school is the time to push yourself to new possibilities. UCF offers more than 100 graduate degree programs that are your chance to make important discoveries, master cutting-edge skills and advance both your knowledge and your career. With a master's or doctoral degree from UCF, you'll amplify your impact on the world in a big way. [graduate.ucf.edu](#)

# THIS IS THE PLACE.

YOUR HOME AWAY FROM HOME

## LIVING ON CAMPUS

70%  
of first-year  
students live  
on campus

Residence  
Life staff is  
available  
24/7

Graduation  
rates  
increase by  
20%

There's an energy on campus that's irresistible. UCF is a vibrant, stimulating community where the bright Florida sun powers individuals to shine, speak their minds and make things happen. Our modern, technology-rich facilities inspire creative new ideas and spirited collaborations. Our palm tree-lined pathways provide a refuge to recharge. And our diversity makes us smarter, stronger and better prepared to lead in the real world.



## LIVE SMART

Living on campus is one of the best decisions you can make at UCF. You'll be in the middle of the action with quick, easy access to classes, dining, recreation and events from any of our 10 housing communities. It's no surprise that students who live on campus are more likely to graduate in four years than those who don't. [housing.ucf.edu](http://housing.ucf.edu)



10 HOUSING COMMUNITIES • RESIDENT ASSISTANTS OFFER MORE THAN 2,000 EVENTS AND PROGRAMS ANNUALLY • MORE THAN 600 CLUBS TO JOIN

## GET INVOLVED

# "TAKE CHARGE" IS OUR LIFESTYLE.

Finding your place at UCF won't be a problem. It might be that sunny spot to read in front of the Reflecting Pond, or the hilarious weekly meetup of the anime club at the Student Union, or the view from the top of the Recreation and Wellness Center's 41-foot rock climbing tower, or Saturdays cheering for the Knights at Bright House Networks Stadium. No matter what your interest, there are more than 600 student clubs and organizations, plus hundreds of events and activities happening outside the classroom where you'll discover your home away from home (and maybe a few surprises about yourself). [ucf.edu/students](http://ucf.edu/students)





ATHLETICS

# GET IN THE GAME.

Champions play at UCF. Knights athletic teams have earned landmark victories on state and national stages – from American Athletic Conference titles to FBS bowl wins. But some of our student-athletes' most important triumphs have been in the classroom. They've achieved an average GPA of 3.0 or higher for 17 consecutive semesters and earned a 93 percent graduation success rate, which ranks No. 1 in the nation for public universities. And a new director of athletics and head coaches in football and men's and women's basketball are continuing our winning traditions. Success isn't as sweet without the cheers of fans in the stands, so we'll give you access to free admission to every sporting event on campus. Being a part of the action is an important part of our lifestyle – because we're never as strong alone as we are together. [ucfknight.com](http://ucfknight.com)

UCF FIGHT SONG

**UCF CHARGE ONTO THE FIELD**

**WITH OUR SPIRIT, WE'LL NEVER YIELD**

**BLACK AND GOLD**

**CHARGE RIGHT THROUGH THE LINE**

**VICTORY IS OUR CRY ... V-I-C-T-O-R-Y**

**TONIGHT OUR KNIGHTS WILL SHINE!**

KNIGHTS ATHLETIC TEAMS

Baseball • Men's Basketball • Women's Basketball • Cheerleading • Women's Cross Country • Football •  
Men's Golf • Women's Golf • Women's Rowing • Men's Soccer • Women's Soccer • Softball • Men's Tennis •  
Women's Tennis • Women's Track & Field • Women's Volleyball

STUDENT SERVICES

# THERE'S NO SECRET TO SUCCESS HERE.

At UCF, a top priority is ensuring that you have the tools and support you need to thrive. Our comprehensive suite of student services covers your mind and body with programs focused on health, safety, advocacy and academic achievement. Creating meaningful connections with staff and faculty dedicated to your success will be a huge advantage in your college experience.

ACADEMIC AND ADVISING

## STUDENT ACADEMIC RESOURCE CENTER

 Advisors are here to help you make important decisions about choosing classes, selecting a major and staying on track for graduation. They'll offer answers about registration, financial aid, career options and many other common concerns. [sarc.sdes.ucf.edu](http://sarc.sdes.ucf.edu)

## UNIVERSITY WRITING CENTER

For assignments of nearly every type, the UWC can assist with free individual and group consultations that will help you develop strategies for understanding and executing the often complex writing required in university courses and research. [uwc.cah.ucf.edu](http://uwc.cah.ucf.edu)

## VETERANS ACADEMIC RESOURCE CENTER

 To give veterans of our armed forces a welcoming home on campus, the VARC offers exclusive services such as personalized application advising, GI Bill assistance, VA benefits certification, tutoring, study spaces, career services and more in one convenient location. [varc.sdes.ucf.edu](http://varc.sdes.ucf.edu)

EVEN MORE

HEALTH AND WELLNESS

## HEALTH SERVICES



We understand the importance of maintaining physical and emotional health. That's why Knights have easy access to on-campus doctors, dentists, counselors, dietitians and a full-service pharmacy. [shs.sdes.ucf.edu](http://shs.sdes.ucf.edu)

## UCF CARES

We're committed to making sure every Knight feels safe, respected and included in a culture of care built upon mutual courtesy and communication. To support this effort, we offer a wide variety of programs to address most every need. [cares.sdes.ucf.edu](http://cares.sdes.ucf.edu)

RECREATION AND ACTIVITIES

## RECREATION AND WELLNESS CENTER

Because staying physically active is as important as exercising your mind, our 149,000-square-foot center offers cardio and weight training equipment, fitness classes, a lap pool, an indoor track, basketball courts and much more. For outdoor fun, there are tennis, basketball and sand volleyball courts, a resort-style leisure pool, a disc golf course, hiking trails and Lake Claire for paddleboarding, kayaking and canoeing. [rwc.sdes.ucf.edu](http://rwc.sdes.ucf.edu)

## OFFICE OF STUDENT INVOLVEMENT



This one-stop shop for student clubs, organizations and events can connect you to fellow Knights who share your interests, from hip-hop to surfing, volunteer service, sports, the arts, Greek life, yoga, academics and hundreds of other pursuits. [osi.ucf.edu](http://osi.ucf.edu)

OUT AND ABOUT

## UCF SHUTTLE

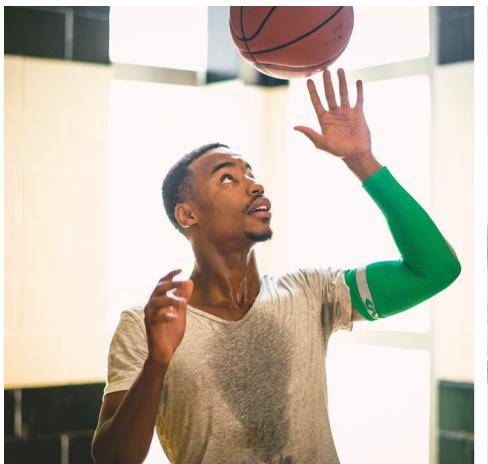


Our free shuttles will deliver you in air-conditioned comfort across campus and beyond on routes serving many off-campus apartment complexes, Research Park, Rosen College and the Health Sciences Campus at Lake Nona. Plus, designated grocery shuttles run weekly for all your shopping needs. [parking.ucf.edu](http://parking.ucf.edu)

## DINING

No matter what you're craving, you can find it on campus. With options ranging from favorites such as Starbucks, Subway, Chick-fil-A and Einstein Bros. to traditional all-you-can-eat dining halls like Knightro's and '63 South, there's no lack of quick, convenient and healthy options to fuel your fire.

[ucf.campusdish.com](http://ucf.campusdish.com)



## MAKING CONNECTIONS

UCF is the place where you'll make lifelong friendships. And during the next four years you may laugh and cry together, but you'll always be among friends in UCF's diverse community of fellow students and scholars.

LOCATION, LOCATION, LOCATION

# LIFE IS GOOD IN ORLANDO.

Living in America's most popular tourist destination has its perks, but there's a lot more to Orlando than theme parks and thrill rides (although those are awesome). From our dynamic downtown to our eclectic neighborhoods and wide-open natural preserves, Central Florida offers more reasons to explore than you can imagine. And considering the 236 days of that special kind of sunshine that can only be found here, it's no surprise that 60 percent of UCF alumni choose to settle in the region after graduation.



## LIKE IT OUTSIDE?

There are miles of trails to hike, lakes to paddle and natural springs to explore. And in less than an hour's drive, there are more beautiful beaches than you can count.

## CULTURE YOUR THING?

Our world-class entertainment, music and arts venues host pop stars, opera divas, Broadway actors, art shows and performers of every type and genre.



## HUNGRY FOR MORE?

A thriving culinary scene blends flavors from around the world with options for every budget, from food trucks to fine dining.



## SPORTS FAN?

Our home teams include the Orlando Magic, Orlando City Soccer Club, Orlando Pride, Predators and Solar Bears.



## RIDE ON TWO WHEELS?

With more than 21 fitness trails offering hundreds of miles of smooth pavement, cycling is safe, scenic and fun.

## LOOKING FOR A PARTY?

There are hundreds of festivals, fairs and fiestas happening year-round that draw Central Floridians together to celebrate food, culture, film, music, theater and more.

236 DAYS OF SUNSHINE • 2.4 MILLION PEOPLE LIVE IN GREATER ORLANDO • 13 MILES BETWEEN UCF AND DOWNTOWN ORLANDO

Soccer image courtesy of Orlando City Soccer Club.



Central Florida is home to 100-plus theme parks and attractions.



Each year downtown Orlando hosts UCF Celebrates the Arts, a weeklong performing and visual arts festival.



Downtown Orlando is a hub for the arts, culture, nightlife and business.



Central Florida's warm climate enables year-round outdoor adventures.

Soccer is hot in Central Florida thanks to the Orlando City Soccer Club and Orlando Pride.

## AFTER COLLEGE

# YOUR DEGREE IS JUST THE BEGINNING.

The years you'll spend earning your degree at UCF will go way too fast. That's why we start thinking about your future beyond graduation the minute you step on campus. With career counseling, graduate school planning, internship programs and professional networking events, we'll help you get a head start on what comes next, so you'll be well-prepared when it's time to move forward.



## CAREER PREPARATION

UCF Career Services provides students with information and resources to ensure the decisions they make today lead to job satisfaction tomorrow. The center offers comprehensive services to help Knights plan their careers, gain hands-on work experience and secure employment upon graduation. [career.sdes.ucf.edu](http://career.sdes.ucf.edu)

## STRENGTH IN NUMBERS

More than 250,000 strong and growing, the UCF Office of Alumni Engagement and Annual Giving will keep you connected with Knights around the country and the globe. Stay in touch via social and service events, travel programs and continuing career services for life, with no membership fees. [ucfalumni.com](http://ucfalumni.com)

## KNIGHTS DOING BIG THINGS


**NICOLE STOTT '92**

*UCF's first astronaut spent 104 days in space aboard space shuttles and the International Space Station.*


**RANDY HUNT '05**

*The vice president of design for Etsy led his team to Smithsonian's 2014 National Design Award.*


**YBETH BRUZUAL '05**

*The TV news anchor asks Central Florida officials the tough questions on her talk show, Political Connections.*


**SARAH GOLDMAN '14**

*The mental health therapist advocates for students and others with different abilities.*


**ALBERT MANERO '12**

*The engineering doctoral student founded a nonprofit group that builds and donates 3-D printed robotic arms to children in need.*


**PHILLIP GORDON '13**

*The educator returned to his downtown Orlando neighborhood after graduation to mentor at-risk youth.*


**EMILY ELLYN '08**

*The chef and culinary educator updates traditional recipes with modern flair in cookbooks and magazines and on television.*


**BLAKE BORTLES '14**

*The Jacksonville Jaguars quarterback was the third overall pick in the 2015 NFL draft.*


**HYE JUNG KIM '09**

*The math teacher joined the crew of the traditional Polynesian voyaging canoe Hōkūle'a for a seven-week mission in Australia.*

Nicole Stott photo by Bill Stafford. Randy Hunt photo by Sarah Kerens. Blake Bortles photo courtesy of Jacksonville Jaguars.

# IT STARTS NOW.

[APPLY TO UCF](#)**INCOMING FRESHMAN\*****1262**Average  
Old SAT  
(Critical Reading  
and Math)**1324**Average rSAT  
(Evidence-based  
Reading/Writing  
and Math)**28**

Average ACT

**4.0**Average  
High School  
GPA**Top 10**

Freshman Majors

1. Engineering
2. Biomedical Sciences
3. Computer Science
4. Biology
5. Business
6. Psychology
7. Nursing
8. Health Sciences – Pre-Clinical
9. Hospitality Management
10. Chemistry

**Top 10**

Freshman States

1. Florida
2. Illinois
3. New York
4. New Jersey
5. Georgia
6. Pennsylvania
7. Virginia
8. Maryland
9. Michigan
10. Texas

\*Projected Fall 2016

The next class of UCF Knights is forming.

From all 50 states and more than 150 countries, open minds like yours are starting their journey in the heart of Central Florida. They're creating a new future where discoveries happen daily, connections are currency, and a college degree is just the beginning. Will you accept the challenge of pushing yourself to achieve your maximum potential? Apply online at [admissions.ucf.edu](http://admissions.ucf.edu).



# WE HAVE ANSWERS TO YOUR QUESTIONS.

## HOW DO I APPLY TO UCF?

- Online application available at [admissions.ucf.edu](http://admissions.ucf.edu) or the Common Application at [commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org)
- A nonrefundable \$30 fee
- Official high school or homeschool transcript
- Official scores for the SAT/rSAT (code: 5233) or ACT (code: 0735)
- Official college transcript (an initial transcript for application review, as well as a final copy once all college coursework is complete and degree is posted), if applicable
- Official GED or TOEFL/IELTS score, if applicable

## DOES UCF REQUIRE STANDARDIZED TESTS?

Yes. All freshmen must submit official SAT/rSAT or ACT scores; they must be reported directly to the university electronically or via the mail. For international students, the TOEFL or IELTS exam may also be required.

## DOES UCF REQUIRE INTERVIEWS, RECOMMENDATIONS OR ESSAYS?

No, but we recommend that you submit an essay.

## HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO ATTEND UCF?

### 2016-17 APPROXIMATE ANNUAL TUITION AND FEES, ROOM AND BOARD, AND BOOKS\*

	Florida Resident	Non-Florida Resident
Tuition and Fees	\$ 6,379	\$ 22,476
Room and Board	\$ 9,764	\$ 9,764
Books (estimate)	\$ 1,152	\$ 1,152
Est. Annual Cost	\$ 17,295	\$ 33,392

\* Based upon 30 credit hours, standard room and meal plan for the 2016-17 academic year.

EVEN MORE →

## HOW DO I APPLY FOR FINANCIAL AID?

Start by submitting a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) before Dec. 1 of your senior year in high school — you can apply online at [fafsa.ed.gov](http://fafsa.ed.gov). Not sure if you qualify?

Still apply, as you could receive financial assistance that is not need-based. [finaid.ucf.edu](http://finaid.ucf.edu)

## WHEN IS THE APPLICATION DEADLINE?

FRESHMEN	TRANSFERS	INTERNATIONAL
Fall: May 1	Fall: Jul 1	Fall: Mar 1
Spring: Nov 1	Spring: Nov 1	Spring: Sep 1
Summer: Mar 1	Summer: Mar 1	Summer: Jan 1

## WHEN IS THE BEST TIME TO APPLY?

You can apply up to one year before the term for which you plan to enroll. Freshmen should apply between September and December of their senior year in high school for the following fall semester.

## HOW COMPETITIVE IS UCF?

For freshmen, the midrange (middle 50 percent) of our Fall 2015 entering class was:

- GPA: 3.7–4.3 (recalculated academic core)
- Old SAT: 1200–1320 (test administered before February 2016)
- rSAT: 1270–1380 (test administered March 2016 and later)
- ACT: 25–29 (composite)

## HOW DO I SCHEDULE A CAMPUS VISIT EXPERIENCE TOUR OR REGISTER FOR A KNIGHT FOR A DAY OPEN HOUSE?

Reservations are required for the Campus Visit Experience and Open House Events. The best time to experience UCF is when classes are in session. Sign up at [admissions.ucf.edu/visit](http://admissions.ucf.edu/visit).

### CONSIDER VISITING:

- On Tuesdays, Wednesdays or Thursdays
- In January, February, May, June, October or November

## WHAT IF I HAVE MORE QUESTIONS?

UNDERGRADUATE  
ADMISSIONS  
407.823.3000  
[admissions.ucf.edu](mailto:admissions.ucf.edu)

FIRST YEAR EXPERIENCE  
407.823.5105  
[fye.sdes.ucf.edu](mailto:fye.sdes.ucf.edu)

STUDENT FINANCIAL  
ASSISTANCE  
407.823.2827  
[finaid.ucf.edu](mailto:finaid.ucf.edu)

HOUSING AND  
RESIDENCE  
LIFE  
407.823.4663  
[housing.ucf.edu](mailto:housing.ucf.edu)

FIRST YEAR ADVISING  
AND EXPLORATION  
407.823.3789  
[fyaee.sdes.ucf.edu](mailto:fyaee.sdes.ucf.edu)

DINING SERVICES  
407.823.2651  
[ucfcampusdish.com](http://ucfcampusdish.com)

ADMISSION AND COSTS

# WE CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU.

We've given you a lot of the information you'll need to become a Knight, but there's no substitute for visiting UCF in person. We don't require a campus tour for admission; however, walking our palm tree-lined campus, seeing the smiles of your future classmates and feeling our welcoming vibe is something you should experience firsthand. Most Knights credit their campus visit as the key deciding factor to enroll. So don't just take our word for it, register for a tour today.

## ADMISSION

Admission to UCF is competitive, so we invite students to apply early. By applying early, students may benefit from scholarship consideration and housing availability. UCF accepts both the university's online application at [admissions.ucf.edu](http://admissions.ucf.edu) and the Common Application. The Common Application must be completed online at [commonapp.org](http://commonapp.org). A nonrefundable \$30 fee must be submitted with either application.

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

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Fall: May 1	Fall: Jul 1	Fall: Mar 1
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## TOP 10 KNIGHTS

If you are in the top 10 percent of your high school class within the state of Florida, UCF rewards your academic success with guaranteed admission to the university. To become a Top 10 Knight, you must currently attend a Florida high school; rank in the top 10 percent of your high school class or have a recalculated GPA of 3.9 or above if your high school does not provide rankings; complete at least four units of approved academic core math by the end of your senior year; and earn a minimum SAT score of 1010 (old SAT – administered February 2016 or before) or 1090 (rSAT – administered March 2016 or later), or an ACT Composite score of 21. Submit your application by Jan. 15 to qualify for this program. Students who meet the criteria will be notified by March 1.

## REQUIREMENTS

UCF requires a minimum of 18 high school units to be considered for admission. Students must complete four years of English, four years of math (Algebra I and above), three years of science, three years of social studies, two years of the same foreign language (in sequence) and two academic electives. Meeting minimum requirements does not automatically guarantee admission. SAT scores are compiled using the highest Critical Reading and Math (old SAT) or Evidence-based Reading/Writing and Math (rSAT) components from each test taken. ACT scores are based on the highest reported composite score. UCF will accept both the old SAT (tests administered before February 2016), and the redesigned rSAT (tests administered March 2016 or later). While UCF will continue to superscore the SAT, we will not superscore the two versions together. The old SAT may be superscored with other administrations of the old SAT, and the redesigned rSAT may be superscored with other administrations of the redesigned rSAT.

## FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

### NEED-BASED FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

These funds are awarded to students on the basis of their financial need. Awards can take the form of grants, which do not have to be repaid, work-study awards or low-interest loans. Students must submit the FAFSA to receive full consideration for all forms of student aid.

### MERIT-BASED SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE

More than \$450 million in merit- and need-based assistance is awarded annually to students. UCF also awards more than \$5 million in academic scholarships each year to new students from across the nation. More than 3,500 new freshmen and transfer students are awarded funds based upon outstanding academic achievement. UCF administers hundreds of other scholarship programs established by individuals and organizations to assist our students. Visit [finaid.ucf.edu](http://finaid.ucf.edu) for scholarship listings, a free scholarship search and more information about financial assistance at UCF.

VISIT US

# SEE YOURSELF HERE.

Seeing the campus is an important part of the college selection process. Although UCF does not require a campus visit for admission, we recommend it. Being on campus and experiencing our culture is the best way to decide if UCF is right for you. Our Campus Visit Experience includes an information session followed by a 90-minute walking tour.

You can register for our Campus Visit Experience or Open House events online at [admissions.ucf.edu](http://admissions.ucf.edu). Tours are led by student ambassadors, who provide a unique firsthand perspective. So pick your dates early – sessions fill up quickly. To view the campus map, visit [map.ucf.edu](http://map.ucf.edu).

## CAMPUS VISIT EXPERIENCE

- Offered all year Monday – Friday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. (except holidays)
- Campus visits begin with an information session at the Duke Energy UCF Welcome Center, followed by a 90-minute walking tour of the campus
- After the tour, you may preview our residence halls Monday – Friday at noon and 4 p.m.

## KNIGHT FOR A DAY OPEN HOUSE EVENTS

These comprehensive, full-day Saturday events introduce prospective students and parents to the campus community. Learn about the application process, academic programs, student life and financial aid.

## DATES FOR OPEN HOUSES

Sept. 24, 2016 • Oct. 22, 2016 • Nov. 5, 2016 • Jan. 21, 2017



AN INVITATION FROM  
PRESIDENT JOHN C. HITT

Welcome to UCF – one of the most innovative universities in America. Our students find many ways to grow academically and personally as they pursue their dreams and prepare for a promising future.

UCF is an emerging pre-eminent metropolitan research university in a dynamic region that is known worldwide for its entertainment, hospitality and growing high-tech and health-related industries. As a result, UCF offers acclaimed programs in digital media, biomedical sciences and hospitality management. But we are also known internationally for excellence in fields such as engineering, simulation and training, medicine, education, planetary sciences, and optics and lasers. With more than 600 diverse clubs and student organizations from which to choose, you will develop new interests, make friends, and learn leadership skills that will benefit you for a lifetime.

I invite you to schedule a campus visit and discover how UCF can help unleash possibilities and your potential.

JOHN C. HITT  
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