## **UF STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM** FACT SHEET

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### BUSINESS EXCHANGE PROGRAMS AT THE WARRINGTON COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

The Warrington College of Business Administration is accredited by AACSB International – The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business, the European Foundation for Management Development, and the Graduate Management Admission Council. The college offers majors in Finance, Accounting, Management, Marketing, International Business, and Information Systems and Operations Management. The college hosts numerous research centers in real estate, entrepreneurship, retail as well as modern state-of-the-art educational facilities.

#### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS AT UF ENJOY:

- High quality education and American business perspectives
- A vibrant educational community with over 900 student organizations, 30 business student organizations, and over 50,000 students
- A large university campus with access to libraries, sporting events, speakers, and recreational facilities
- The natural setting, mild climate, and cultural traditions of Gainesville, Florida

### GAINESVILLE, FLORIDA

### Where nature and culture meet

The tree lined streets of Gainesville, Florida welcome visitors and college students for abundant cultural and recreational opportunities. With a population of around 130,000 residents, Gainesville retains a small city feel with many big city amenities. Long known for independent music scene, big sporting events, a bustling downtown area and picturesque natural surroundings, Gainesville truly has something for everyone.

Find out more about Gainesville: <u>http://www.visitgainesville.com/</u>

### ABOUT UF

University of Florida is a major, public, comprehensive, land-grant, research university and is the oldest and largest university in the state. Florida has a long history of established programs in international education, research and service. It is one of only 17 public, land-grant universities that belong to the Association of American Universities.

UF is also accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award bachelor, master, specialist and engineer, as well as doctoral and professional degrees.

UF has 21 colleges and schools and more than 200 interdisciplinary research and education centers, bureaus and institutes, offering more than 100 undergraduate degree programs. The Graduate School coordinates more than 200 graduate programs throughout the university's colleges and schools. Professional post-baccalaureate degrees are offered in dentistry, law, medicine, pharmacy and veterinary medicine.

Read more about UF at:

http://www.ufl.edu/about-uf/

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#### **APPLICATION**

Nomination Process	Student nominations should be sent to Ms. Lyn Straka: <u>lstraka@ufic.ufl.edu</u> .	
Online Application:	Nominated students begin the exchange application here: <u>http://www.ufic.ufl.edu/SAS/ExchangeStudents.html</u>	
Application Documents:	As part of the application packet, you will have to submit a: 1. Exchange student SEVIS form 2. Exchange student English verification form 3. Certification of financial responsibility 4. Non-Degree registration form 5. Online course request form (Business website) 6. Copy of most recent transcript 7. Copy of most recent passport 8. Academic report request form 9. Weaver International House Interest Form if seeking on-campus housing 10. Mandatory Immunization and Health History Form 11. Verification of Health Insurance For specific information, please visit: http://www.ufic.ufl.edu/SAS/HowtoApplyEx.html	
Immigration Information:	Upon submission of completed exchange application material, students will be issued a DS2019 form which they will use to apply to the US Consulate for a J student visa. Students will not be permitted to work off-campus during their study program. Students may arrive in the US up to thirty days before the start date of their program and remain in the US for up to thirty days after the end-date of their program.	
Health Insurance:	UF requires that exchange students purchase comprehensive health insurance and show evidence of certain vaccinations. Please see the link below for more information: <u>http://www.ufic.ufl.edu/SAS/Insurance.html</u>	
Housing:	Exchange students have the opportunity to live on campus in Weaver International House: <u>http://www.housing.ufl.edu/blog/hall/weaver/</u> . If students do not choose to live on campus at Weaver International House, they are responsible for securing their own housing arrangements off campus. Students often utilize locator services for this purpose: <u>http://www.swamprentals.com/</u> <u>www.gainesville-rent.com</u> <u>http://housing.offcampus.ufl.edu/message-board</u>	

#### **EXCHANGE SEMESTER TIMELINE**

	FALL / ACADEMIC YEAR	SPRING	
Online nomination:	April 1	September 1	
Application deadline:	May 1	October 1	
Immunization and health insurance forms:	June 1	November 1	
Online course request form:	June 1 (Recommended earlier)	November 1 (Recommended earlier)	
Course Registration:	Course registration for business classes will occur in the months before arrival and will be verified with each student. Students must complete all application requirements prior to being registered for classes.		
Recommended arrival date:	It is recommended that students arrive several days before the first day of classes in order to check in to housing, take care of technology needs, and become familiar with the UF campus and attend mandatory orientations. Students can arrive up to a few days late with special permission.		
Orientations:	Business exchange students will attend two orientations prior to the start of the semester. It is mandatory for students to attend both the UF Exchange Orientation and Business Exchange Orientation. Orientations usually occur one to two business days prior to the start of classes. Students who do not attend the required orientations will be unenrolled from their courses unless other arrangements are pre-arranged with the coordinator.		
Fall semester term:	Mid-August to mid-December		
Spring semester term:	Early January to mid-May		
Summer semester:	Mid-May to mid-August (Not recommended for undergraduate students)		
Academic Calendar:	Graduate: http://warrington.ufl.edu/academics/a Undergraduate:		
	https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/	Pages/dates-and-deadlines.aspx	



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Academic Areas of	Graduate:	
concentration:	<ul> <li>Entrepreneurship, Finance, Information Systems, Management, Marketing, and Real Estate</li> </ul>	
	Note:	
	<ul> <li>Graduate students can take classes in areas offered outside of the college of business provided they get approval from the department offering the course.</li> </ul>	
	Undergraduate:	
	<ul> <li>Accounting, Entrepreneurship, Finance, Information Systems, Management, Marketing, Real Estate, and Retailing</li> </ul>	
	Note:	
	<ul> <li>Economics courses are available through the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences but have limited space. Seats in these classes are assigned based on the order that applications are completed.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Accounting courses require evidence that all prerequisites have been met (syllabi and transcript).</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Students can take classes in areas offered by other UF colleges provided they get approval from the department offering the course.</li> </ul>	
Class Format:	Graduate:	
	<ul> <li>Graduate courses have lectures and group work assignments outside of the</li> </ul>	
	classroom. This provides a hands-on learning experience.	
	Undergraduate:	
	• Lecture style with numerous exams, projects/papers, and group work.	
Credit Conversion:	Please refer to the academic coordinator at your institution for specific conversion. If you come from an ECTS credit system, we use the ratio:	
	5 ECTS credits= 3 UF credits	
Grading System:	The quality of a student's academic work is measured by means of "grades." "Passing" grades at UF include: A(-), B(+/-), C(+/-), and D(+/-). A grade of "E" designates a "failing" grade at UF (known as an "F" in some schools) but grades lower than a C may be considered failing grades at other universities. Although grade values are standardized at UF, instructors have discretion in deciding grading policies.	

#### **COURSE SCHEDULING & REGISTRATION**

Choosing Courses:	Students may enroll in most courses offered by the Warrington College of Business Administration provided availability and course prerequisites.
	Courses offered through the Graduate Business Program: http://warrington.ufl.edu/graduate/academics/mib/exchange.asp
	Courses offered through the Undergraduate Business Program: <a href="http://warrington.ufl.edu/undergraduate/myheavener/intl/incoming/">http://warrington.ufl.edu/undergraduate/myheavener/intl/incoming/</a>
	Registrar: (All courses offerings, course schedules, course catalogues) <u>http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/soc/</u>
Number of	Graduate:
credits per course:	<ul> <li>Almost all of the graduate business courses are 2 credit hours each. Courses are taught on the module system and are 8 weeks in duration. The fall and spring semesters each have 2 modules.</li> <li>Undergraduate:</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Most undergraduate business courses are 4 credit hours. The business school also offers a few 2 credit modular courses each semester.</li> </ul>
	Individual course credit hours are available on the registrar's website: <u>http://www.registrar.ufl.edu/soc/</u>
Average course load:	<ul> <li>Graduate: <ul> <li>An average course load is 6-7 credits per module. For immigration purposes, students must be registered in 9 total credits for the full semester (both modules)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Undergraduate: <ul> <li>An average course load is between 12 and 16 credits per semester. It is not recommended, but students can take up to 18 credits in a semester.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Registration Procedure:	Students request courses through an online request form. Course schedules are finalized in weeks prior to the beginning of the semester. Each student should identify contingency courses in the case of time conflicts or availability limitations.
	Graduate: http://warrington.ufl.edu/graduate/academics/mib/f_courseRequest.asp
	Undergraduate: http://warrington.ufl.edu/undergraduate/myheavener/intl/incoming/f_courseRequest.asp
Add, Drop, and Withdraw Periods:	Students can add/drop courses during the first week of the term for semester-long classes or during the middle of the semester for modular courses. Please see the academic calendar for specific dates: <u>https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/current/Pages/dates-and-deadlines.aspx</u>

#### **STUDENT LIFE**

GBS GATOR GUIDES:	The GBS Gator Guides welcome international business students to campus and serve as a buddy in the business school throughout the exchange term. They also host a variety of events on campus and in Gainesville throughout the semester. http://www.ufgbs.com/copy-of-current-gator-guides
NAVIGATORS:	The UF Navigators International offers exchange students a UF buddy, fun events, and trips to areas outside of Gainesville: <a href="http://www.ufnavigatorsinternational.com/">http://www.ufnavigatorsinternational.com/</a>
TRIP:	The Travel and Recreation Program provides personal growth opportunities through a variety of unique, outdoor recreational experiences in and around Gainesville: <a href="http://recsports.ufl.edu/outdoors-adventure/core/trip">http://recsports.ufl.edu/outdoors-adventure/core/trip</a>
GatorZone:	The official site for Florida Gator Sports. Students can find out game information and purchase tickets from this website: <a href="http://www.gatorzone.com/">http://www.gatorzone.com/</a>
Intramural Sports:	UF offers students the opportunity to participate in a variety of competitive and non-competitive sports leagues and tournaments. <u>http://www.recsports.ufl.edu/intramural-sports</u>
Student Center:	The Reitz Union Center provides a variety of events and opportunities for students to enjoy, including bowling, game room, free movies, and evening events: <a href="https://www.union.ufl.edu/ProgramsArtsLeisure/GatorNights">https://www.union.ufl.edu/ProgramsArtsLeisure/GatorNights</a>
Sports Facilities:	UF students enjoy gymnasiums, pools, and sports facilities on campus: <a href="http://www.recsports.ufl.edu/">http://www.recsports.ufl.edu/</a>
Student Organizations:	UF students can participate in over 900 student organizations on campus: <u>https://orgs.studentinvolvement.ufl.edu/Organizations</u>



