From Our Director
Greetings from Gainesville! In this season of gratitude, thank you for welcoming our staff around the state, country and world as we visited your schools this fall. Thank you for helping your students with any last minute questions about the application. We received over 38,000 applications submitted by the November 15 deadline. We are so grateful for the many students who thought UF may be a great fit for their postsecondary plans. During the next several months, we will spend many hours learning more about our applicants as we review each application. Please remind your students they will have until December 1 to submit the Student Self-Reported Academic Record (SSAR) if they have not done so already. In addition, we will continue to accept all official test scores through December 15 and lastly students should submit the FAFSA by December 15.

I am thankful for the many ways you support your students and if we may be of service, please do not hesitate to contact me or the staff with any questions. Have a safe and wonderful holiday season!

Go Gators!
Chandra A. Mitchell
Interim Director, Freshman and International Admissions

Financial Aid
URENT! Students can apply now for financial aid! Although students must be accepted for enrollment at UF before being considered for financial aid, students should apply for aid before being admitted. To apply for financial aid, students should complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

- Students can apply now at https://fafsa.ed.gov/.

- UF’s “on-time” deadline to receive the results of the 2018-19 FAFSA from the federal processor is December 15, 2017. Please direct your students to apply well before December 15 to ensure that the federal processor has time to analyze and send the results of the FAFSA to UF.

- Financial aid is awarded on a first-come, first-served basis, so students should apply as soon as possible to be considered for the most, and best aid.

- In order for UF to consider students for a financial aid package, students must be admitted and have met the “on-time” deadline.

- For additional information, visit http://www.sfa.ufl.edu/prospective/.

HAP FINANCIAL AID QUESTIONS? JOIN US FOR A UF FINANCIAL AID FACEBOOK LIVE EVENT
Tuesday, December 5, from 6:00 to 7:00 pm at https://www.facebook.com/UFAdmissions/.
We will have a UF financial aid expert available to answer all of your questions.
Student Self-Reported Academic Record (SSAR)
The Student Self-Reported Academic Record (SSAR) must be submitted and linked by December 1st. The SSAR is UF’s self-reported transcript. It is an online form in which students enter their high school courses, dual enrollment courses, and 9th–11th year grades. Students also list senior year courses in progress. For more information, we encourage you to visit the Frequently Asked Questions page found here on our website. There is an interactive tutorial on the admissions website as well.

The Honors Program
Applications and nomination materials for the 2018 Lombardi & Stamps Scholarship Programs, administered by the UF Honors Program, are available here.

The postmark deadline for submission of all components is January 26, 2018. The nomination form must be signed by the high school principal, but the letter may be written by an instructor, guidance counselor, BRACE, or IB advisor.

We appreciate your help in identifying creative, forward-thinking, independent students that will benefit from and contribute to these dynamic programs. Lombardi & Stamps Scholars are risk-takers who are curious about the world and eager to be challenged throughout their undergraduate career.

Feel free to direct any questions about the application process or the scholarship programs to Regan Garner at rlgarn@ufl.edu or by phone at 352-392-1519.

Housing
Last year, over 10,000 students had applied to UF and to live in one of the residence halls before the end of November. Please remind students to visit: https://hms.housing.ufl.edu/freshman_housing_application to apply for campus housing to get the best priority for next year at UF!

International Admissions
Our International Center encourages departments all over campus to show their support for global learning and participate in the celebration of the International Education Week, which took place from November 13th to November 19th. During this week-long event, UF students had the opportunity to learn more about study abroad, diversity, peacebuilding and many of the other factors that contribute to a more globalized world. Several exhibitions and displays took place across campus portraying the theme of “Global Culture” taken by study abroad students, international students, faculty, staff and alumni. You can visit http://ufic.ufl.edu/PD/IEW.html for more information on the activities and exhibits that took place during IEW.

Innovation Academy
Innovation Academy is excited to officially welcome the class of 2021 and celebrate six years of Innovation at our Launch Into IA student convocation. The event kicks off the academic year by bringing all of the incoming IA students together to welcome them to the university. Launch Into IA is the first time the entire IA cohort will convene and the event celebrates the class’s entry into the University of Florida. For more information, please visit: https://innovationacademy.ufl.edu/student-life/launch-into-ia/

Connect With Us
Campus tours will be offered to students through Thursday, December 14th, 2017 and will resume on Monday, January 8th, 2018. Interested in learning more about UF? Please join the Counselor listserv at http://admissions.ufl.edu/counselors.