From Our Director

Greetings from Gainesville! It is certainly an exciting time as we begin to welcome the first members of UF21 to the heart of the Gator Nation! Over the next few weeks, our Preview orientation sessions will continue, as well as our summer classes and campus tours. We encourage you and your students to come visit the campus and see everything that the University of Florida has to offer.

As we close the academic year, we want to thank you for all you have done to serve your students. As we look ahead to 2017-2018, we will be hosting counselor events throughout the state and across the country. Please look for additional details to come soon. Our staff will look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have.

We hope you get some much needed rest throughout the summer. We will resume our monthly Gatortales publications in August. If you have questions throughout the summer, please feel free to contact us. We look forward to seeing you all this fall as we travel across the state, nation and the world. Go Gators!

Andrea Felder, Ed.D.
Director of Freshman and International Admission

Welcome Center

Are your students interested in taking a tour? Students can visit our admissions website at admissions.ufl.edu/visit/tour. Tours will not be offered on May 29 due to the Memorial Day holiday. Tours will resume on May 30 at 10:00am and 2:00pm. We will continue to offer tours throughout the summer so students can visit without missing school.

Transcripts

The Office of Admissions does not require partial transcripts from newly admitted students. Instead, please send enrolling students’ final transcripts that include the graduation date by July 31. Please advise any students with dual enrollment credit that official college transcripts must be sent directly from the institution (even if classes are listed on the high school transcript).

Save the Date

The 2017-2018 UF Open House will be held on Saturday, July 22, 2017. We strongly encourage all rising seniors to attend. Participants will be able to meet with representatives from various UF colleges, hear from admissions officers, and experience life in the Gator Nation. Registration will open on June 9. Space is limited, and registration will close once capacity is met. Additional details will be posted on our admissions website. We look forward to meeting the class of 2018!
The UF NaviGators International is a perfect organization for international students studying at the University of Florida. This organization works to ensure that every international student’s experience is as fun and exciting as possible. NaviGators International is based on fundamental connections between the students of the Gator Nation. International students are matched with an American mentor, who will give them an insider glimpse into American culture. Through excursions, local events, intramurals, and more, the students will create long-lasting friendships and unforgettable memories. Feel free to visit http://www.ufnavigatorsinternational.com/ for more information.

The Honors Program
The UF Honors Program has named eight Florida high school seniors to the Lombardi Scholars Program and three to the Stamps Scholars Program. Application and nomination materials for the 2018 competition will be available in early September. Please contact Regan Garner in the Honors Program at rlgarner@ufl.edu with any questions.

2017 Stamps Scholars:
Nathan Barkdull, Winter Park HS
Stephen Chapman, Hagerty HS
Gabriela Sullivan, Vanguard HS

2017 Lombardi Scholars:
Maya Barrett, T.R. Robinson HS
Phebe Brocke, Hagerty HS
Rachel Cathey, Niceville HS
Chase Cleveland, Ft Walton Beach HS

The Innovation Academy
Congratulations to all of our new IA Gators! We’re excited to welcome students for Spring 2018! But what can students do during the Fall 2017 semester? Students can enroll in online coursework, take advantage of career shadowing or employment opportunities, or take part in our Study Abroad program in Maynooth Ireland! Our study abroad program is a six-week, UF faculty-led program that immerses students in Innovation and Irish culture. Here, you have the opportunity to begin working on your general education credits, learn what international innovation is all about and develop lasting relationships with other IA students. To learn more, please visit: http://innovationacademy.ufl.edu/clp/study-abroad/.

Student Spotlight
My name is Alex Murphy and I am a senior BFA Dance Performance major here at the University of Florida. Outside of rehearsals, I have done a couple of different extracurricular activities, which include the Inter-Residence Hall Association (IRHA), Dancin’ Gators, one of the dance teams on campus, as well as an Admissions Ambassador and College of the Arts Ambassador. Being involved in campus has really made me feel immersed in the Gator culture and has made this large university feel like home. UF has given me endless opportunities that I did not think possible. Before college, I did not dance at all, but the University saw something in me that I did not, and after only a year and a half of technique training, I was accepted into the Bachelor of Fine Arts program. This program has really helped me fall more in love with UF because I have found my niche and my family within this program. Being a student at UF has helped me realize my passion and to never doubt my potential.

Admissions Blog
Have you visited our blog? Click here to view our blog, learn more about our admitted freshman class and see what to expect in the heart of the Gator Nation.

Connect With US
To join the counselor listserv, follow the directions listed at http://admissions.ufl.edu/counselors. You also can follow UF Admissions on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. We appreciate all of your support this year as we enroll a new group of students to the Gator Nation.