FRESHMAN SCHOLARSHIPS

The Office of Admissions awards limited merit-based scholarships in the Spring after admissions decisions are released. There is not a separate application for these scholarships, as all admitted students who apply by the November 1 priority deadline are considered automatically and the criteria are the same holistic and academic criteria used for admissions. No additional materials or updated information can be submitted for review.

While grades and test scores (either SAT or ACT) are a strong part of the selection process, other factors such as extracurricular involvement, leadership, community service, essay response, and more are taken into consideration. Due to our very competitive freshman class each year and the limited number of scholarships we are able to offer, awarding these scholarships is very challenging!

PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Office of Admissions currently offers a limited number of merit-based Presidential scholarships designed for in-state, high-achieving students:

• Presidential Scholarship - $5,000 per year (Fall/Spring, total up to $20,000 over 4 years)
• Presidential Gold Scholarship - $8,000 per year (Fall/Spring, total up to $32,000 over 4 years)
• Presidential Platinum Scholarship - $10,000 per year (Fall/Spring, total up to $40,000 over 4 years)

Students must be classified as Florida residents for tuition purposes by our February Decision Day in order to be considered for a Presidential Scholarship.

OUT-OF-STATE TUITION WAIVERS

The Office of Admissions currently offers a limited number of merit-based tuition waivers designed to reduce the out-of-state tuition for selected students:

• Alumni Scholarship - up to $8,000 per year (Fall/Spring, total up to $32,000 over 4 years)
• Sunshine Scholarship - up to $16,000 per year (Fall/Spring, total up to $64,000 over 4 years)
• Gator Nation Scholarship - up to $20,000 per year (Fall/Spring, total up to $80,000 over 4 years)

Students must be classified as non-Florida residents for tuition purposes by our February Decision Day in order to be considered for a tuition waiver. If a student’s residency is updated to in-state after being awarded a tuition waiver, they will no longer be eligible and the award will be rescinded.

BRIGHT FUTURES

The Florida Bright Futures Scholarship Program is offered by the Florida Department of Education for Florida high school graduates. For more information, please visit your high school guidance office or call (888) 827-2004 prior to high school graduation. More information is available online: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/.

NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS/ BENACQUISTO SCHOLARSHIP

UF offers a $500 annual National Merit Scholarship to each National Merit Finalist that indicates UF as their first-choice institution with the National Merit Corporation by their deadline of May 31.

UF’s National Merit Scholarship qualifies as a college-sponsored scholarship under the requirements for the Benacquisto Scholarship, which is offered by the Florida Department of Education and covers the remaining institutionally-posted cost of attendance. Recent legislative changes have made this scholarship available to non-resident students. More information on the requirements for this scholarship are online: https://www.floridastudentfinancialaidsg.org/PDF/factsheets/FIS.pdf.

HONORS PROGRAM

The Honors Program offers the John V. Lombardi Scholarships and the Stamps Family Scholarships for incoming students who rank at the top of their class and demonstrate service to the community, extracurricular involvement, leadership, and high moral character. The application cycle for these awards begins in the Fall of each year; students should apply during their senior year in high school. Each Florida high school can nominate up to two students for these awards. Application information and annual timelines are online: honors.ufl.edu/prospective/lombardi-or-stamps-scholarships.

UNITED WORLD

United World Scholarships, awarded for up to eight semesters, attract academically talented world citizens from the United World College environment to the University of Florida’s freshman population. To qualify, a student must have graduated from one of the United World Colleges. Additional information is available from United World Colleges online at www.uwc.org.
SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNDERGRADUATES

STUDENT FINANCIAL AFFAIRS

The Office of Student Financial Affairs (SFA) offers an online search engine that provides information about available UF scholarships: www.sfa.ufl.edu/search

SOUTHERN SCHOLARSHIP

The Southern Scholarship Foundation supplies housing for academically gifted students who need financial assistance to attend college. Applicants must be Florida residents who are willing to work for their college education and share the responsibilities of living cooperatively in a house with other students. The university has two scholarship houses for men and four houses for women. Students should contact the Southern Scholarship Foundation at (352) 377-1282 or TTurner@southernscholarship.org. More information: www.southernscholarship.org

FLORIDA COLLEGE TRANSFER SCHOLARSHIPS

Information for the two scholarships offered by the Office of Undergraduate Affairs is available online: http://undergrad.aa.ufl.edu/scholarships/transfer-scholarships/.

Florida College Transfer Academic Scholarship:
UF offers two scholarships to in-state Florida college transfer students selected to the All-Florida Academic First Team. Applicants must have a lower-division GPA of at least 3.8 and submit an application.

Florida College Transfer Scholarship:
UF offers up to ten scholarships to students transferring to UF from Florida colleges. Scholarships are awarded based on academic merit and other factors, including financial need. Applicants must submit an application for consideration and have a completed FAFSA on file with the UF Office for Student Financial Affairs.

INTERNATIONAL

The Office of Admissions will consider admitted international freshmen for one of our out-of-state tuition waivers.

The International Student Services division of the UF International Center has additional resources and contact information online: https://internationalcenter.ufl.edu. Phone: (352) 392-5323.

GRADUATE

Multiple colleges and academic departments on campus have scholarships to offer currently enrolled students. Contact your advisor or the dean’s office in your college for more information.

COLLEGES & ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

Multiple colleges and academic departments on campus have scholarships to offer currently enrolled students. Contact your advisor or the dean’s office in your college for more information.

THIRD-PARTY SCHOLARSHIPS

Three helpful, third-party scholarship searches are online: www.fastweb.com, www.collegescholarships.org and www.scholarshipexperts.com. These sites are not affiliated with the University of Florida.

MILITARY PROGRAMS

The university offers scholarships in three military reserve programs. Please contact your branch for more information. Additional information regarding the Division of Military Science can be found in our undergraduate catalog at https://catalog.ufl.edu/ugrad/courses/military-science/.

Air Force ROTC – Detachment 150
(352) 392-1355 http://www.afrotc.ufl.edu/

Army ROTC – Fightin’ Gator Battalion
www.armyrotc.ufl.edu

Navy/Marine Corps ROTC
(352) 294-0716 http://nrotc.ufl.edu/

ATHLETICS

Students or their high school coach should contact the appropriate UF coach to inquire about athletic scholarships. For the names and contact information for UF coaches, students can call (352) 375-4683 or visit www.floridagators.com to select the link for the specific sport.