



UCF

UNIVERSITY OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES



Your potential is limitless — and studying at UCF is the first step to unleashing it. Here, you'll meet ambitious peers and dedicated faculty who'll inspire you. You'll find the passion to chase your dreams and gain real-world experience while studying in a thriving city. All this and more is waiting for you at UCF.

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Develop and design. Create and collaborate. Learn, launch and lead the way. At UCF, you'll join a community of talented thinkers and doers who chose to reach new heights — students and alumni who proudly call themselves Knights.

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Finding Balance

Madison Goran '24, is committed to supporting others on their mental health journeys. She earned her bachelor's in clinical psychology at UCF and is now pursuing a master's in Counselor Education to become a licensed mental health counselor and open her own practice. She's gaining hands-on experience at UCF's Community Counseling and Research Center under faculty supervision. Goran coordinates the Knights Research Scholars Program, and is a Graduate Ambassador. Her leadership and practical experience are paving the way for a successful career in mental health care.

Career Connections

Victor Lam '23 '25MS turned his passion for technology into a promising career in cybersecurity. Drawn to UCF for its flexible programs and Orlando's technology scene, he earned degrees in Information Technology and Cybersecurity and Digital Privacy—while working as a Client IT Specialist at the university. Applying classroom knowledge on the job, he gained real-world experience that proved invaluable. Despite the challenges of balancing work and graduate studies, Lam now feels confident and prepared for the next step in his career, thanks to UCF's resources and support.





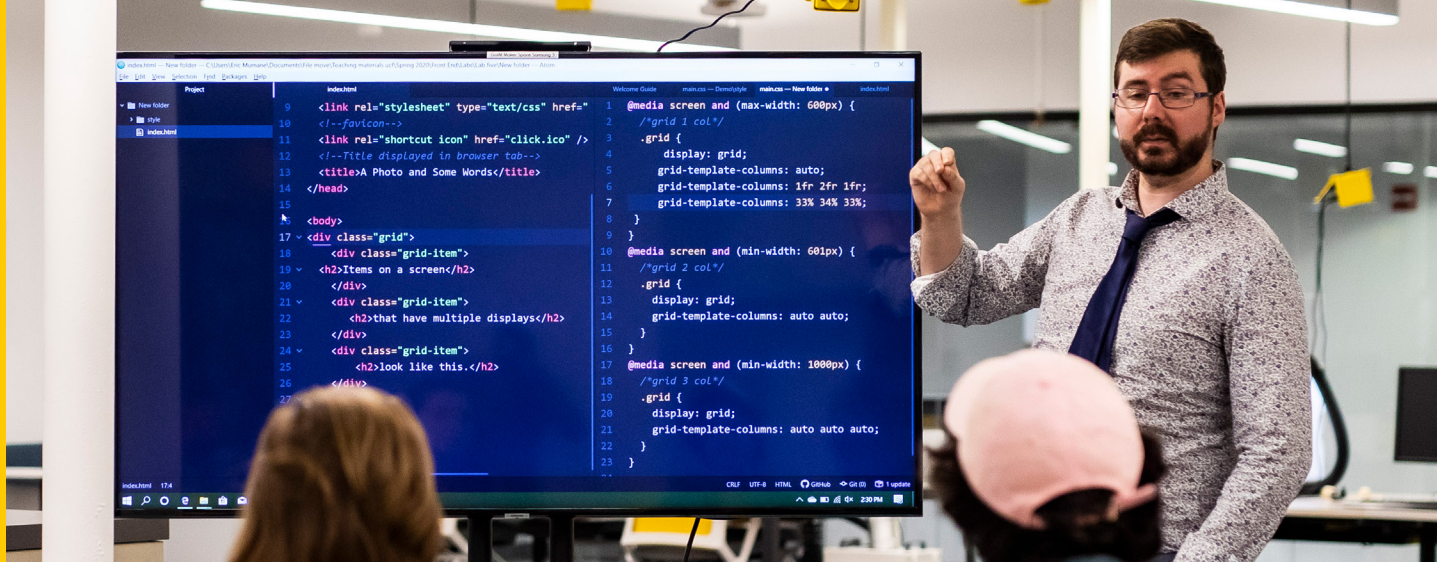
Pursuing Passions

Neri St. Charles '19 '20MS followed his childhood passion for video games to an exciting career in game development, selecting UCF for our renowned game design programs and Orlando's booming tech scene. Earning his bachelor's in digital media and master's in interactive entertainment, he honed his skills and gained hands-on experience through collaborative projects – paving the way for his role as a technical designer at Electronic Arts.



Leading Innovation

Childhood flights and high school physics inspired **Addi-Neequie Stone '14 '19MS** to pursue aerospace and industrial engineering. UCF's top-ranked engineering programs and our location near the Space Coast solidified her choice. She values the supportive community she was surrounded by as a student through the National Society of Black Engineers. Now a project manager at Lockheed Martin, Stone leads digital transformation, providing cutting-edge technology for national security.



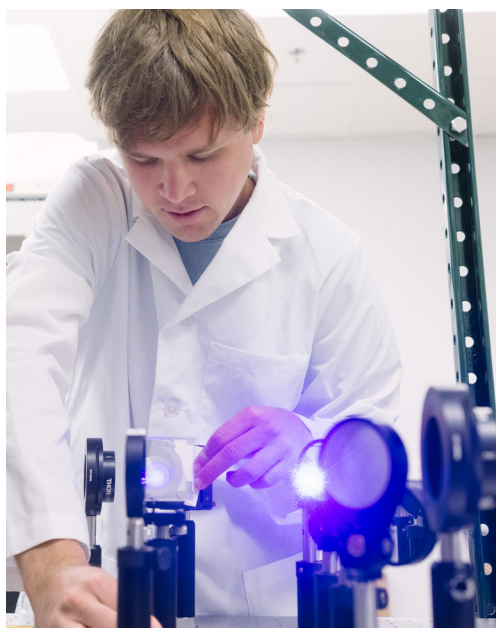
EXCEL IN ACADEMICS AND IN LIFE

From the start, you'll find inspiration and motivation as part of UCF's academically excellent community. You'll be empowered to think critically and make important contributions through immersive research projects. You'll learn from industry experts with intriguing backgrounds, fully dedicated to mentoring, teaching and preparing you for the workforce and leading a fulfilling life.

With more than 200 degree programs and graduate certificates, you can customize your graduate education to align with your unique interests and goals. At UCF, academic success means more than earning your degree. It opens the door to life-changing opportunities that can guide your future to greatness.

As Florida's premier engineering and technology university, UCF integrates technology into every discipline — preparing students to become part of a talent pipeline that supports major industries like aerospace, the arts, business, defense, entertainment, healthcare, hospitality and more.

[Explore our latest rankings and see how we empower student success:](#)



FORGE YOUR PATH

Programs by College

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND HUMANITIES

Creative Writing MFA	Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) MA
Emerging Media MFA	Texts and Technology PhD
English MA	Theatre MA
English, Rhetoric and Composition MA‡	Theatre MFA
History MA	Themed Experience MS
Music MA	

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Accounting MSA	Financial Technology MS‡
Business Administration MBA+	Management MSM
Business Administration PhD	Real Estate MSRE*
Business Analytics MS*	Sport Business Management MSBM

COLLEGE OF COMMUNITY INNOVATION AND EDUCATION

Career and Workforce Education MA‡	Health Administration MHA*
Counselor Education MA	Health Care Informatics MS, Professional Science Master's*‡
Counselor Education MEd	Instructional Design and Technology MA‡
Criminal Justice MS‡	K-8 Mathematics and Science Education MEd
Criminal Justice PhD	Marriage, Couple, and Family Therapy MA
Curriculum and Instruction EdD	Nonprofit Management MNM*‡
Early Childhood Development and Education MS	Public Administration MPA*‡
Education EdS	Public Affairs PhD*
Education PhD‡	Public Policy MPP*
Educational Leadership EdS	Reading Education MEd ‡
Educational Leadership MEd	Research Administration MRA*‡
Educational Leadership MEd‡	School Psychology EdS
Elementary Education MA‡	Secondary Education MEd
Elementary Education MEd‡	Teacher Education MAT
Emergency and Crisis Management MECM*‡	Urban and Regional Planning MS*
Exceptional Student Education K-12 MA	
Exceptional Student Education MEd‡	

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

Aerospace Engineering MSAE‡	Engineering Management MSEM‡
Aerospace Engineering PhD	Environmental Engineering MS‡
Biomedical Engineering MSBME	Environmental Engineering MSEvE‡
Biomedical Engineering PhD	Environmental Engineering PhD
Civil Engineering MS	Industrial Engineering MS‡
Civil Engineering MSCE	Industrial Engineering MSIE‡
Civil Engineering PhD	Industrial Engineering PhD
Computer Engineering MSCpE	Materials Science and Engineering MSMSE ‡
Computer Engineering PhD	Materials Science and Engineering PhD
Computer Science MS	Mechanical Engineering MSME‡
Computer Science PhD	Mechanical Engineering PhD
Computer Vision MS‡	Modeling and Simulation MS‡
Cyber Security and Privacy MS	Modeling and Simulation PhD
Data Analytics MS	Robotics and Autonomous Systems MSRAS
Digital Forensics MS‡	Systems Engineering MSSE‡
Electrical Engineering MSEE	Travel Technology and Analytics MS‡
Electrical Engineering PhD	



WITH A WIDE VARIETY OF GRADUATE PROGRAMS TO SET YOU UP FOR SUCCESS, THERE'S NO LIMIT TO WHERE YOUR UCF DEGREE MIGHT TAKE YOU.

COLLEGE OF GRADUATE STUDIES

Interdisciplinary Studies MA/MS	Nondegree or Transient
Nanotechnology MS	

COLLEGE OF HEALTH PROFESSIONS AND SCIENCES

Athletic Training MAT	Kinesiology PhD
Communication Sciences and Disorders MA	Physical Therapy DPT
Health Promotion and Behavioral Sciences MS	Social Work MSW‡
Kinesiology MS	

COLLEGE OF MEDICINE**

Biomedical Sciences MS‡	Biotechnology MS
Biomedical Sciences PhD	

COLLEGE OF NURSING**

Nursing MSN	Nursing Practice DNP
Nursing PhD	

COLLEGE OF OPTICS AND PHOTONICS

Optics and Photonics MS‡	Optics and Photonics PhD
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COLLEGE OF SCIENCES

Anthropology MA	Integrative and Conservation Biology PhD
Big Data Analytics PhD	Integrative Anthropological Sciences PhD
Biology MS	Interactive Entertainment MS*
Chemistry MS	Mathematical Science MS
Chemistry PhD	Physics MS
Clinical Psychology MA	Physics PhD
Clinical Psychology PhD	Planetary and Space Sciences PhD
Communication MA*	Political Science MA
Digital Media MA*	Security Studies PhD
Feature Film Production MFA	Sociology PhD
Forensic Science MS	Sociology, Applied MA
Human Factors and Cognitive Psychology PhD	Statistics and Data Science MS
Industrial and Organizational Psychology MS	Strategic Communication PhD*
Industrial and Organizational Psychology PhD	

ROSEN COLLEGE OF HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT***

Event Leadership MS‡	Hospitality Management PhD
Hospitality and Tourism Management MS‡	

*Offered at UCF Downtown

**Offered at Academic Health Sciences Campus

***Offered at Rosen College

+Some courses may be offered downtown and on main campus.



Scan the QR code for current programs, tracks, deadlines, and requirements. Listings reflect Fall 2025 offerings.

‡ This program is available 100% online. UCF Online students are exempt from select campus fees and services, including the Recreation and Wellness Center and Student Health Services fees.

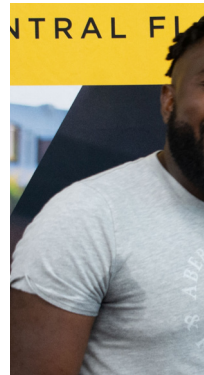


BEYOND THE CLASSROOM – ENRICH YOUR GRADUATE JOURNEY

Graduate school at UCF is more than academics. With a wide variety of Registered Student Organizations, from professional associations in your field to campus-wide groups based on shared interests, you'll find plenty of ways to get involved, build connections and make the most of your time here.

The Office of Graduate Student Life supports your journey with events and programs designed to build community and work toward your goals. From improving communication skills to networking with industry experts, UCF offers the resources to support your success, now and after graduation.

Make the most of your time on campus by visiting the Graduate Student Center, a dedicated space for you to study, collaborate, and connect with others. No matter your program, you'll find events, resources, and opportunities that enhance your experience at UCF.



UNITE AND ENGAGE

Take your pick of more than 7,000 events and activities that bring us all together throughout the year, including these all-time favorites.



1 | Spirit Splash

Make a splash in UCF's most spirited tradition. Join the crowd at the Reflecting Pond, catch flying T-shirts and rubber ducks, and celebrate Homecoming with the UCF community.

2 | UCF Celebrates the Arts

Celebrate creative works in downtown Orlando's world-renowned Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, where UCF artists shine each spring, from dancers and musicians to writers and animators.

3 | Universal Knights

Join thousands of Knights and enjoy thrilling rides with exclusive, late-night access to Universal's Islands of Adventure. Best of all, it's a free event!

4 | Student Research Week

Share your research or creative work with the UCF community through engaging workshops, events, and poster sessions. It's a chance to connect with peers and faculty, get feedback, and celebrate what drives your curiosity.

5 | Three Minute Thesis Competition

Step into the spotlight and let your research and creative work shine! This fast-paced, globally recognized competition is your chance to sharpen your presentation skills and showcase your work to the UCF community. The challenge? One PowerPoint slide. Three minutes. No pressure, just the thrill of making your mark.

WELCOME TO KNIGHT NATION

Cheer louder than ever in the electrifying student section and embrace the unbelievable atmosphere and fan community at UCF games all year long. As a student, you'll get free admission to every sporting event on campus. So, grab your game day gear and get ready to experience the excitement of being the youngest Power Four program in the country.

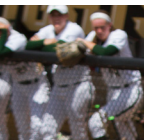


BIG 12 CONFERENCE

Let's Go Black & Gold!

Baseball	Women's Rowing
Men's Basketball	Men's Soccer*
Women's Basketball	Women's Soccer
Cheer and Dance	Softball
Women's Cross Country	Men's Tennis
Football	Women's Tennis
Men's Golf	Women's Track & Field
Women's Golf	Women's Volleyball

*Member of the Sun Belt Conference



ENERGIZE YOUR BODY AND MIND

If you like staying active, you'll love doing it here. Hit the gym for a workout, enjoy nature, or play a team sport. There's no shortage of ways to get moving on campus.



Recreation and Wellness Center

Join free group fitness classes, scale a 41-foot climbing tower, take a dip in two resort-style pools, and find everything from modern equipment to indoor and outdoor courts and more.



Intramural and Club Sports

Assemble a team or sign up as a free agent to play almost any sport you can think of. Some top contenders even advance to extramural competition.



Lake Claire

Soak up a little serenity in the sand, enjoy free access to kayaks, canoes, and stand-up paddleboards, or host your own BBQ or picnic on the edge of campus.



UCF Arboretum

Get your hands dirty in the community garden, explore natural woodland trails by bike or on foot, and learn about beekeeping and pollination.

ROOM FOR RECREATION

149,000 sq.ft

Recreation and Wellness Center complete with indoor and outdoor facilities. 14 miles of nature trails that include 4 unique Florida habitats. Six lighted artificial turf fields for outdoor activities like flag football, rugby and ultimate frisbee.

MAKE YOURSELF AT HOME

UCF graduate students have access to a variety of off-campus housing options, including student apartments, conventional rentals, and UCF-affiliated communities. Conventional rentals offer more independence and flexibility. UCF-affiliated properties are privately managed but maintain close ties to the university, which may include safety measures coordinated with UCF Police. UCF's Off-Campus Housing Resources support your search by offering local listings, rental guidance, and neighborhood information to help you find a place that suits your academic and personal needs.

FEEL SUPPORTED IN EVERY WAY

FREE SHUTTLES

These convenient buses service all four UCF campuses and many off-campus student communities — plus designated shuttles to Publix Super Markets for all your grocery needs.

DIG INTO DINING OPTIONS

No matter what you're craving, you're sure to find it on campus — from staples like Chick-fil-A, Panda Express and Smoothie King to all-you-care-to-eat dining halls serving about any kind of cuisine, including gluten-free and vegan-friendly meals.

HEALTH AND WELLNESS SERVICES

You'll have access to doctors, dentists, dietitians, mental health counselors and a full-service pharmacy at the UCF Student Health Services on the main campus with satellite clinics on other campuses.

[EXPLORE MORE HOUSING RESOURCES.](#)

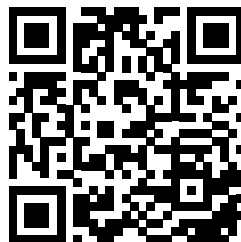


CHART YOUR PATH TO A CAREER

Whether your studies take place on our main campus or one of our three specialized campuses, you'll thrive in your environment with access to industries and experiences that are connected to your coursework. You'll be in the best place to learn from industry experts, get real-world experience and start your career.

MAIN CAMPUS

UCF has been home to students since 1968 and will be the backdrop for countless memories, new connections, and exciting discoveries. As you explore the beautiful 1,420-acre campus, surrounded by woodlands and lakes, you'll find that it's designed to connect you with everything you may need. Located next to one of the nation's top research parks and premier corporations, the campus offers opportunities to collaborate with and learn from leading innovators.



ACADEMIC HEALTH SCIENCES CAMPUS

If you're drawn to a career in helping others, Lake Nona Medical City offers a dynamic environment for hands-on learning in healthcare. This state-of-the-art hub provides access to advanced training tools and simulation experiences that prepare you for real-world practice, often within the classroom setting. You'll be learning alongside respected medical institutions such as Nemours Children's Hospital, UCF Lake Nona Hospital, and the Orlando Veterans Affairs Medical Center. Recently relocated to the campus, the UCF College of Nursing is expanding into the new Dr. Phillips Nursing Pavilion, providing students with increased space and state-of-the-art technology.



UCF DOWNTOWN

UCF's downtown campus places you at the center of opportunity in government, community well-being, communications, and digital arts. Connect with leading organizations like Electronic Arts, the Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, Orlando Utilities Commission, Fairwinds Credit Union, KPMG, and more. These partnerships offer valuable real-world experience and collaboration, shaping the region's innovation and culture.



ROSEN COLLEGE OF HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Your love for travel may lead you to our Mediterranean resort-style campus, where you'll take your first steps toward a career in tourism and hospitality management. You'll learn from industry professionals at one of the top hospitality and tourism programs in the nation, and be surrounded by attractions, resorts, restaurants, and convention spaces in a world-famous travel and tourism district.



MAP OUT YOUR MOVE

While studying at any of our campuses located in the heart of advancing industries, you'll surround yourself and connect with some of the nation's top companies, providing a pathway to start your career here in Orlando and throughout Central Florida. Internships, co-ops and service-learning opportunities can give you practical experience and great exposure, plus an edge on the competition as you get ready to enter the workforce.

Create extraordinary gaming experiences like Madden NFL inside the innovative Electronic Arts Orlando headquarters.

Get involved in public service and lawmaking in the heart of Orlando's civic center, with the Federal and Orange County Courthouses.

Hundreds of Broadway shows, concerts, live entertainment events and more happen annually at the Dr. Phillips Center for the Performing Arts, including UCF Celebrates the Arts.

Work in the heart of hospitality at Disney, Universal or Sea World plus hundreds of hotels, thousands of restaurants and other attractions

Access to major airports, including Orlando International Airport, puts trips home and around the world within reach.

UCF
DOWNTOWN

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HOSPITALITY MANAGEMENT

Transform healthcare at top-level medical facilities in the **Lake Nona Medical City**, including Nemours Children's Hospital and the Orlando Veterans Affairs Medical Center — plus the UCF Lake Nona Hospital, a full-service teaching hospital in partnership with HCS Florida Healthcare.

ACADEMIC HEALTH
SCIENCES CAMPUS

LOCKHEED MARTIN

SIEMENS

KPMG

Walt Disney World
RESORT

UNIVERSAL
ORLANDO RESORT

SeaWorld

Econ River
Wilderness Area

APPROXIMATELY

20 MINUTES TO ORLANDO'S VIBRANT
DOWNTOWN DISTRICT

30 MINUTES TO THE INTERNATIONAL
AIRPORTS FOR CONVENIENT TRAVEL
ANYWHERE

35 MINUTES TO THEME PARKS
AND ATTRACTIONS

45 MINUTES TO MILES OF
BEAUTIFUL BEACHES

Intern in **Central Florida Research Park** with top companies that are solving global engineering and technology challenges, including L3Harris, Leidos and Northrup Grumman with **Lockheed Martin** and **Siemens** also located nearby.



SPACEX

BLUE ORIGIN

Kennedy
Space
Center

UCF, located about 35 miles from Kennedy Space Center, supplies nearly 30% of KSC employees, making it a top source of aerospace and defense talent in the nation. Known as the Space Coast, the area also offers access to some of Florida's most renowned beaches, including Cocoa Beach and Playalinda Beach.



THRIVE IN A CITY OF OPPORTUNITY

Studying where everyone loves to vacation has its perks. You've got everything from exciting theme parks and a lively downtown to eclectic neighborhoods and wide-open nature reserves.

Orlando is not only a vibrant city, but also a hub for in-demand industries such as aerospace, healthcare and hospitality. You'll be in the best place to learn from industry experts and land exciting internships. The city consistently ranks among the fastest-growing job markets in the country and leads Florida in private sector job growth. It's no surprise that more than 180,000 UCF graduate alumni have chosen to stay right here in Central Florida.

NO. 1 SPORTS EVENT CITY IN THE NATION
– *SPORTS BUSINESS JOURNAL*

NO. 1 BEST LARGE CITY TO START A BUSINESS
– *WALLETHUB*

NO. 2 BEST CITY TO START A CAREER IN THE U
– *WALLETHUB*

NO. 3 BEST COLLEGE CITY IN THE US
– *WALLETHUB*

100+ FESTIVALS, FAIRS AND MARKETS ANNUALLY CELEBRATING MUSIC,
FOOD, CULTURE, THE ARTS YOU NAME IT

237 DAYS OF SIGNATURE FLORIDA SUNSHINE EVERY YEAR



YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE

Earning your degree at UCF will be a life-changing experience, filled with endless academic opportunities, unforgettable campus traditions, exceptional career support, and the advantage of one of the nation's best educational values.

If you're ready to begin a new journey, we're ready to welcome you as a Graduate Knight. Learn more about taking the next step at **graduate.ucf.edu**.



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HOW TO APPLY

ONLINE APPLICATION

Apply at applynow.graduate.ucf.edu/apply.
A \$30 non-refundable application fee is required.

BACHELOR'S DEGREE

An earned U.S. bachelor's degree (or equivalent) is required for admission consideration.

TRANSCRIPTS

Upload official transcript scans (front and back) for all degrees earned or in progress.

Electronic delivery is preferred.

TEST SCORES

GRE, GMAT, TOEFL, IELTS or Duolingo may be required.

Check your program's requirements.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Programs may require a statement of purpose, resume, recommendation letters, or other materials. Refer to the Application Deadlines and Requirements page for specific requirements.

CHECK STATUS

Log in to your Application Status Portal to track materials and upload documents.

ADMISSION DECISION

You'll be notified by the College of Graduate Studies once a final decision is made.

RESPOND TO OFFER

Complete the admission offer reply form through the applicant status portal.

DEADLINES VARY BY PROGRAM

Visit the Application Deadlines and Requirements page to view program-specific deadlines and required materials.



[Application](#)
[Deadlines and](#)
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INVEST IN LIFELONG SUCCESS

Each year, we welcome talented students like you who discover new passions, gain valuable experience, and graduate ready to pursue rewarding careers.

Fuel your future with meaningful support.

UCF invests in graduate students by awarding more than \$2.3 million in university fellowships each year to recognize academic excellence and research potential. More than **1,600** graduate students also hold assistantships that provide opportunities in research, teaching, and specialized projects.

Most university fellowships and qualifying graduate assistantships include tuition remission and individual health insurance coverage.

Apply by the Fall Priority Deadline to be considered for funding. Most offers are made between January and April, so don't wait!

Explore all the ways UCF can support your graduate journey at **graduate.ucf.edu/funding**.

BENEFIT FROM A BEST-VALUE EDUCATION

Our tuition hasn't changed in more than a decade, which is one of the reasons *Forbes*, *Kiplinger* and *The Princeton Review*, rank UCF education among the nation's best values.

INCREASE YOUR FUTURE EARNING OVER YOUR LIFETIME

Master's degree holders earn over \$500K more in their careers than those with only a bachelor's. (Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics)

MAXIMIZE YOUR RESOURCES

FAFSA

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) to be eligible for federal, state and university financial aid. Submit your FAFSA at **<https://www.ucf.edu/financial-aid/apply/fafsa/>** early to maximize your chances of receiving federal student aid opportunities.

Fellowships

UCF fellowships provide financial support to help graduate students focus on their academic pursuits. Most are awarded to newly admitted, full-time students who apply by the program's Fall Priority Deadline. For a list of available fellowships and eligibility details, visit **graduate.ucf.edu/fellowships**.





2026-27 Estimated Cost of Attendance*

	Florida Resident	Non-Florida Resident
Tuition and Fees	\$6,664	\$22,988
Books	\$1,200	\$1,200
Housing	\$13,566	\$13,566
Food	\$3,970	\$3,970
Transportation	\$2,126	\$2,126
Personal Expenses	\$3,104	\$3,104
ANNUAL COST (Estimate)	\$30,630	\$46,954

*Estimated cost of attendance for graduate students living off campus, Fall and Spring 2026-2027 based on 9 credit hours per term.

[Learn how a UCF graduate degree can set you up for a lifetime of success.](#)



DISCOVER YOUR NEXT STEP

Your future is wide open at UCF. Visiting campus is the best way to experience what life is like as a Graduate Knight. Explore our vibrant Student Union, peek into classrooms led by expert faculty, and stop by the Graduate Student Center, a hub for graduate student support and community building. Schedule your visit today at applynow.graduate.ucf.edu/portal/cgsadmissions.



EXPERIENCE UCF IN-PERSON OR VIRTUALLY

In-person main campus tour

This fan-favorite campus tour kicks off with a 25-minute information session, followed by a 30-minute walking tour led by one of our UCF Graduate Ambassadors for a unique personalized experience.

Self-guided main campus tour

Explore the campus at your own pace. This tour begins in front of Millican Hall at the Reflecting Pond, covers nine iconic campus landmarks, and concludes at the Recreation and Wellness Center.

Self-guided virtual campus tour

Discover all there is to love at UCF through a short video that brings to life our modern classrooms, state-of-the-art recreational facilities, and dynamic campus environment.

QUESTIONS? WE'VE GOT ANSWERS

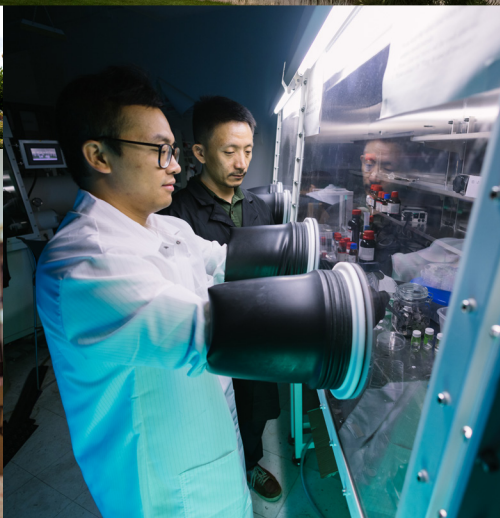
Our virtual sessions are a great way to get answers to any questions you have about UCF. From campus tours and academics to the application process and being admitted [Click to learn more](#)





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Discover all there is to love about UCF when you visit campus. Spots fill up quickly, [schedule your campus tour early.](#)



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