THE NATION’S GREAT PUBLIC RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
UNIVERSITY OF NORTH CAROLINA, CHAPEL HILL
GEORGIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SANTA BARBARA
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, IRVINE

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO
UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS, URBANA-CHAMPAIGN
UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN, MADISON
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS, AUSTIN
UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON

WHAT MAKES A RESEARCH UNIVERSITY GREAT

- Research Volume and Impact
- Competitively Funded Federal Research Support
- USDA, State and Industrial Research Funding
- Doctoral Education
- Undergraduate Education
- Faculty Membership in the National Academies
- Faculty Awards, Fellowships and Memberships
- Technology Transfer, Startups, Patents, Licenses
- Number of Postdoctoral Appointees
- Freshman Retention Rate
- Pell Grant Percentage
- Four- and Six-Year Graduation Rates

WHAT IT TAKES TO BE GREAT

- Endowment
- Annual Philanthropy (Gifts and Commitments)
- Revenue Per Student (Tuition, Fees and State Appropriation)
- Need-Based Aid for Undergraduates
- Fellowships for Graduate Students
- Market-Based and Merit Compensation for Faculty
- Student-Faculty Ratio
- Infrastructure Renewal
- Ability to Compete in the Marketplace and Be Nimble
GREAT UNIVERSITIES REQUIRE EXCEPTIONAL TALENT to deliver academic and research success and economic development.

→ We need funding to attract the best faculty from leading institutions, support the outstanding faculty we have and reduce our student-to-faculty ratio.

A DIVERSE POPULATION OF EXCEPTIONAL STUDENTS is key to the quality of education and college experience.

→ That means we must provide financial aid to students who cannot afford the cost of attendance and become the university of choice for leading high school graduates across the country.

WE ALSO NEED TO PROVIDE THE FACILITIES NECESSARY to support the work of our faculty and students. Declining funding for maintenance and capital renewal has led to a backlog of repair projects at UF, where the average building is 36 years old.

→ It is essential that we address deferred maintenance to ensure our facilities enable, rather than impede, our goal of becoming a top-10 public university.
UF AT A GLANCE

52,519 Students
  Undergraduate – 36,084
  Graduate – 12,117
  Professional – 4,156

4,998 Faculty members

$708M R&D Expenditures

$1.5B Endowment

16 Colleges

150+ Centers and Institutes

36% UF undergraduate degrees awarded in STEM disciplines

25% Share of SUS master’s and doctoral degrees awarded by UF

180 Number of sites state-wide with UF programs, including extension offices in all 67 counties

96% Freshman retention rate

87% Six-year graduation rate

28% Share of UF students receiving Pell Grants

UF IS ONE OF SIX UNIVERSITIES in the country with colleges of medicine, engineering, law, agriculture and veterinary medicine on the same campus.

UF HEALTH: MOST COMPREHENSIVE ACADEMIC HEALTH CENTER IN THE SOUTHEASTERN UNITED STATES

ECONOMIC IMPACT ON THE STATE OF FLORIDA: $12.56 BILLION (UP FROM $8.76 BILLION IN 2009-10)
STUDENT PROFILE

- 32,649 – NUMBER OF UNDERGRADUATE APPLICANTS FOR FALL 2016
- 4.35 – APPLICANTS’ AVERAGE GPA
- 1918 – APPLICANTS’ AVERAGE SAT SCORE
- #1 – UF’S RANK AMONG AAU INSTITUTIONS FOR THE NUMBER OF MASTER’S DEGREES AWARDED TO HISPANIC STUDENTS
- #2 – UF’S RANK AMONG AAU INSTITUTIONS FOR THE NUMBER OF BACHELOR’S DEGREES AWARDED TO AFRICAN-AMERICAN STUDENTS
- 56% – SHARE OF STUDENTS WHO START AT UF AND GRADUATE WITH NO STUDENT LOAN DEBT
- $21,028 – AVERAGE STUDENT LOAN DEBT LOAD FOR UF UNDERGRADUATES WHO GRADUATE WITH DEBT. THE NATIONAL AVERAGE IS $28,950
- 70% – SHARE OF UF UNDERGRADUATES SECURING EMPLOYMENT OR PLANNING EMPLOYMENT IN FLORIDA
- 81 – NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED BENACQUISTO SCHOLARSHIPS IN THE 2014-15 ACADEMIC YEAR
**FACULTY PREEMINENCE**

**UF’S STRATEGIC PLAN FOR PREEMINENCE** includes hiring distinguished faculty in more than two dozen interdisciplinary focus areas that range from health and agriculture to engineering and education. Our goal is to address some of the world’s most pressing global challenges, including biodiversity, drug discovery and development, food security and data analytics.

**3.14 Return on investment in research funding for every state dollar UF used to hire faculty in preeminent focus areas**

**JUAN GILBERT**
- ENGINEERING/COMPUTER AND INFORMATION SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
- UF PREEMINENCE AREA OF FOCUS: HUMAN-CENTERED COMPUTING
- GRANTS AWARDED WHILE AT UF: $4.3 MILLION

**LEE SWEENEY**
- MEDICINE/PHARMACOLOGY AND THERAPEUTICS
- UF PREEMINENCE AREA OF FOCUS: NEUROSCIENCE AND THE BRAIN
- GRANTS AWARDED WHILE AT UF: $1.7 MILLION

**JANE ALDRICH**
- PHARMACY/MEDICINAL CHEMISTRY
- UF PREEMINENCE AREA OF FOCUS: DRUG DISCOVERY AND DEVELOPMENT
- GRANTS AWARDED WHILE AT UF: $1 MILLION
UF IN THE RANKINGS

#14 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT TOP PUBLIC SCHOOLS
National Universities (2016)

#1 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST ONLINE PROGRAMS
Online Graduate Education (2017)

#2 KIPLINGER’S PERSONAL FINANCE “BEST VALUE AMONG NATION’S TOP PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES” (2015)

#2 FORBES “BEST VALUE PUBLIC COLLEGES” (2016)

#2 INSTITUTIONS PRODUCING THE MOST FULBRIGHT SCHOLARS (2016)

#3 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST GRADUATE SCHOOLS
Engineering – Biological/Agricultural (2017)

#3 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST GRADUATE SCHOOLS

#3 FORBES “BEST VALUE COLLEGES” (All) (2016)

#4 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST GRADUATE SCHOOLS
Online Business MBA (2016)

#6 UF’S RANK NATIONALLY FOR START-UPS
Association of University Technology Managers (2013)

#6 NEW YORK TIMES HELPING LOW-INCOME STUDENTS (2015)

#6 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST GRADUATE SCHOOLS
Education – Counseling/Personnel Services (2017)

#6 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS
Biological/Agricultural Engineering (2016)

#7 UF’S RANK NATIONALLY FOR LICENSES AND OPTIONS COMPLETED WITH COMPANIES COMMERCIALIZING RESEARCHERS’ DISCOVERIES
Association of University Technology Managers (2013)

#8 UF’S RANK NATIONALLY FOR US PATENTS ISSUED
Association of University Technology Managers (2013)

#9 US NEWS & WORLD REPORT BEST GRADUATE SCHOOLS
Health Specialty – Pharmacy (2017)

#9 UF’S RANK AMONG ALL UNIVERSITIES FOR THE NUMBER OF STUDENTS RECEIVING NSF GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS (2016)

#10 PRINCETON REVIEW BEST CAREER RESOURCE CENTERS (2015)