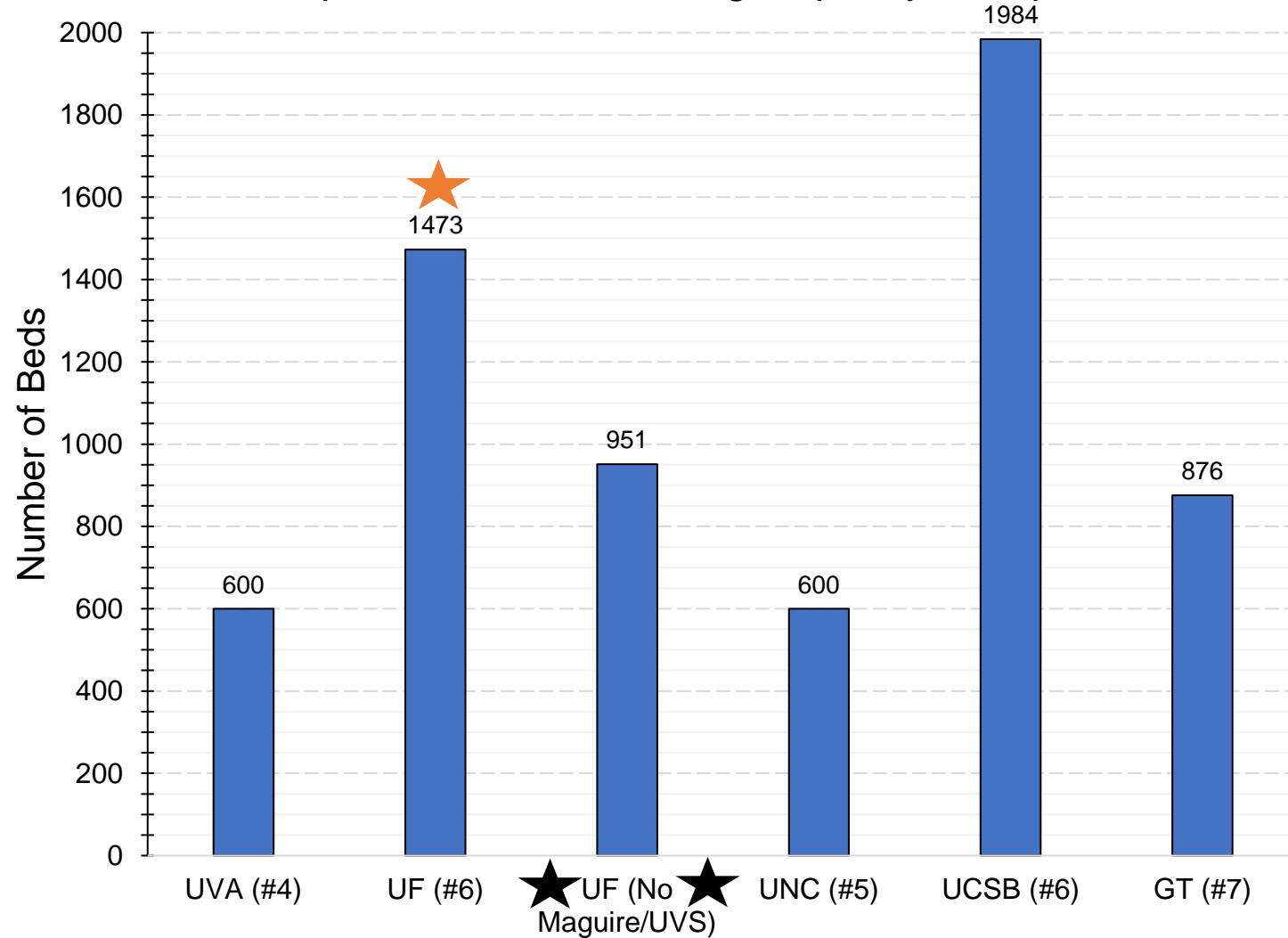


Comparisons between UF Graduate Resources and Similarly Ranked Institutions via U.S. News

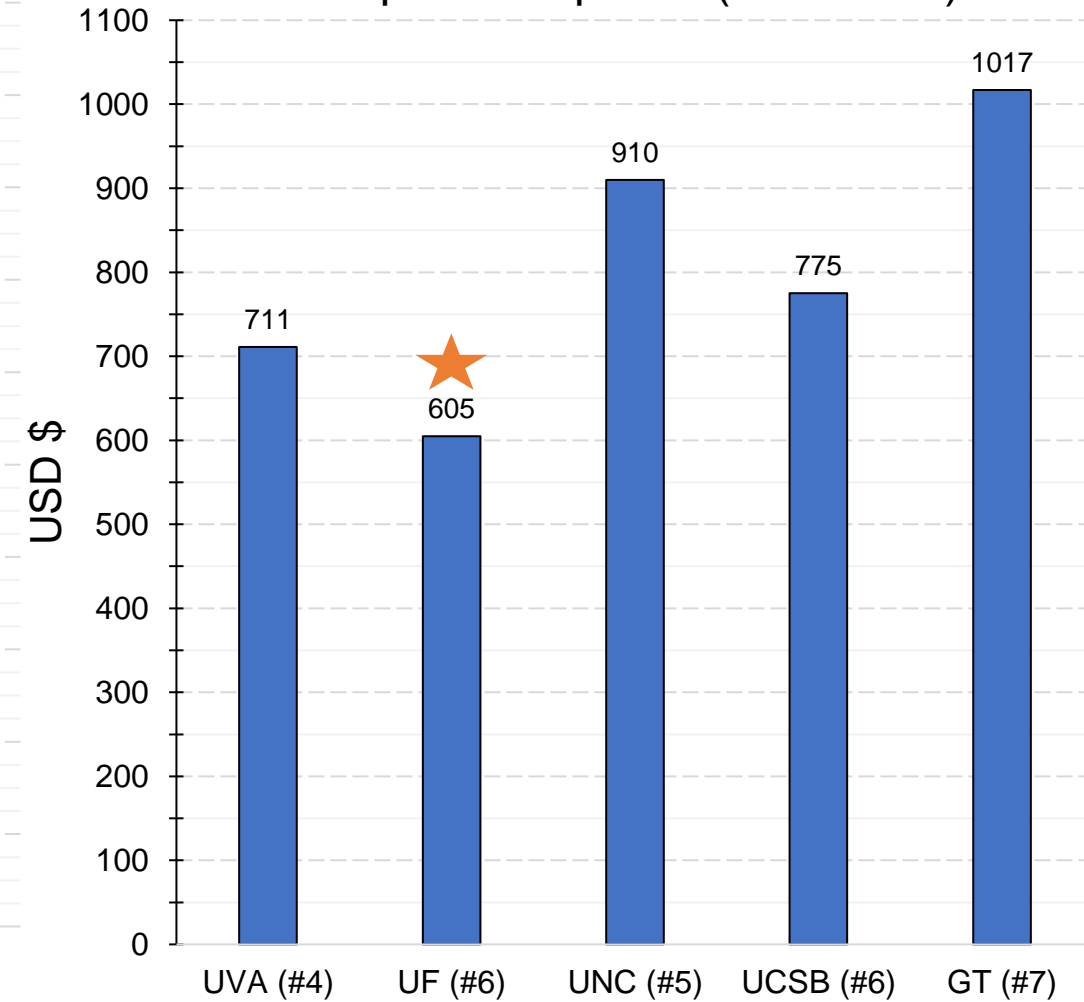
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- **Study Goal:** Resources for grad students, specifically: stipends, university-owned housing, paid parental leave, student fees, cost of living in the area (COL), and access to public transport and health insurance at flanking Top 10 Public Schools (#5-7) and schools with flanking grad programs in Chemistry and Biology were researched and compared with UF.
 - Researchers: E. Rodofili and J. Semenova
- [Link to Google Sheet reference document](#)
 - Data sources linked (primary sources preferred, noted otherwise)
 - The attached Excel file was used for calculations and figure making
- **Major conclusion of this study:**
 - Graduate students at UF have long believed that on-campus graduate housing is a competitive asset. Our data suggests that current price and capacity of graduate housing give UF an advantage over similarly-ranked public schools and graduate programs. This competitive edge is not maintained after demolition of Maguire and UVS.

On-Campus Graduate Housing Capacity at Top 10's



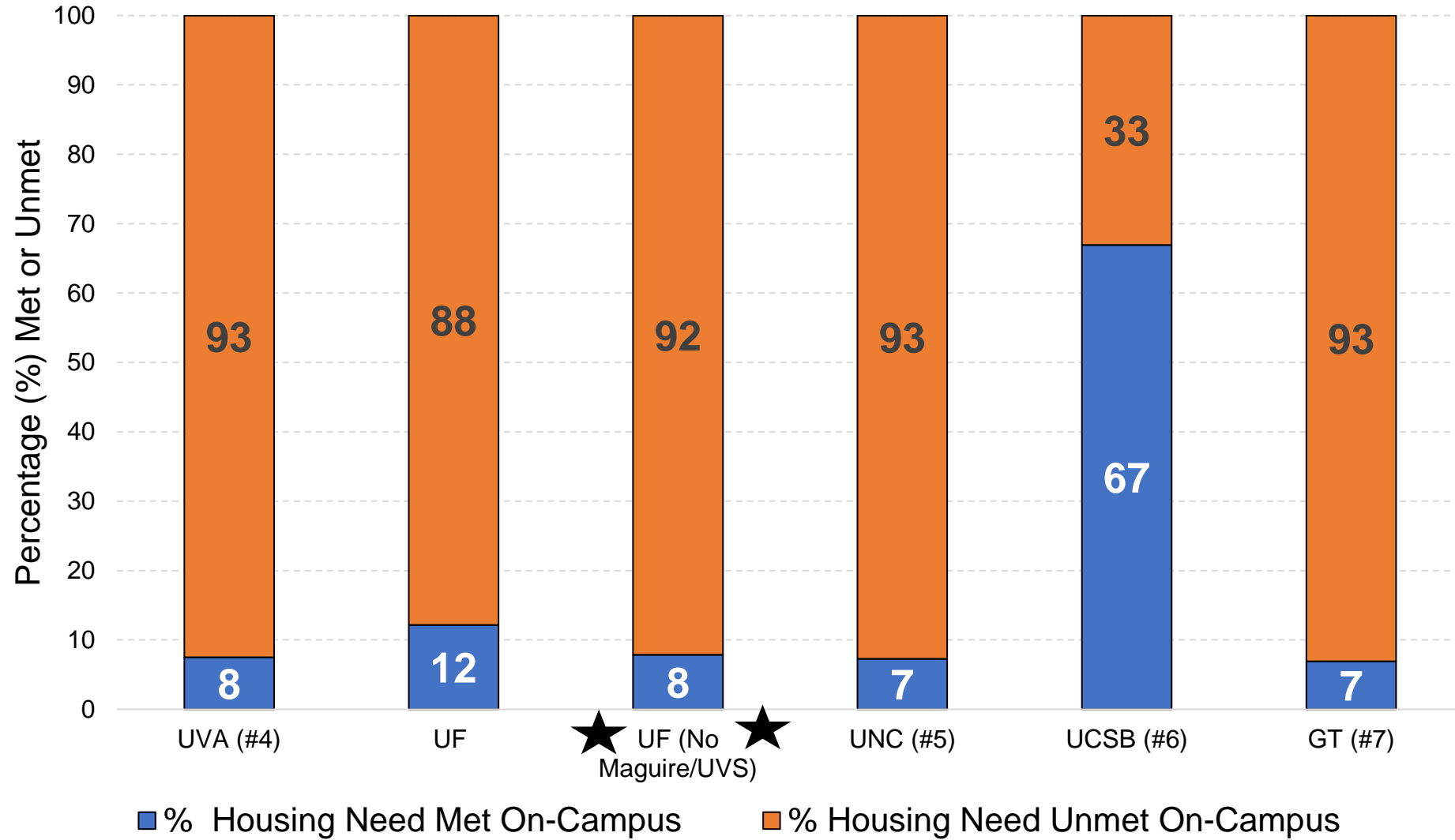
Graduate Housing Cost / Bedroom (BR)
On-Campus at Top 10's (Estimated)



UF will greatly reduce its competitive graduate housing capacity by removing Maguire/UVS as compared to flanking Top 10's (left). Cost/bedroom is currently competitive (right).

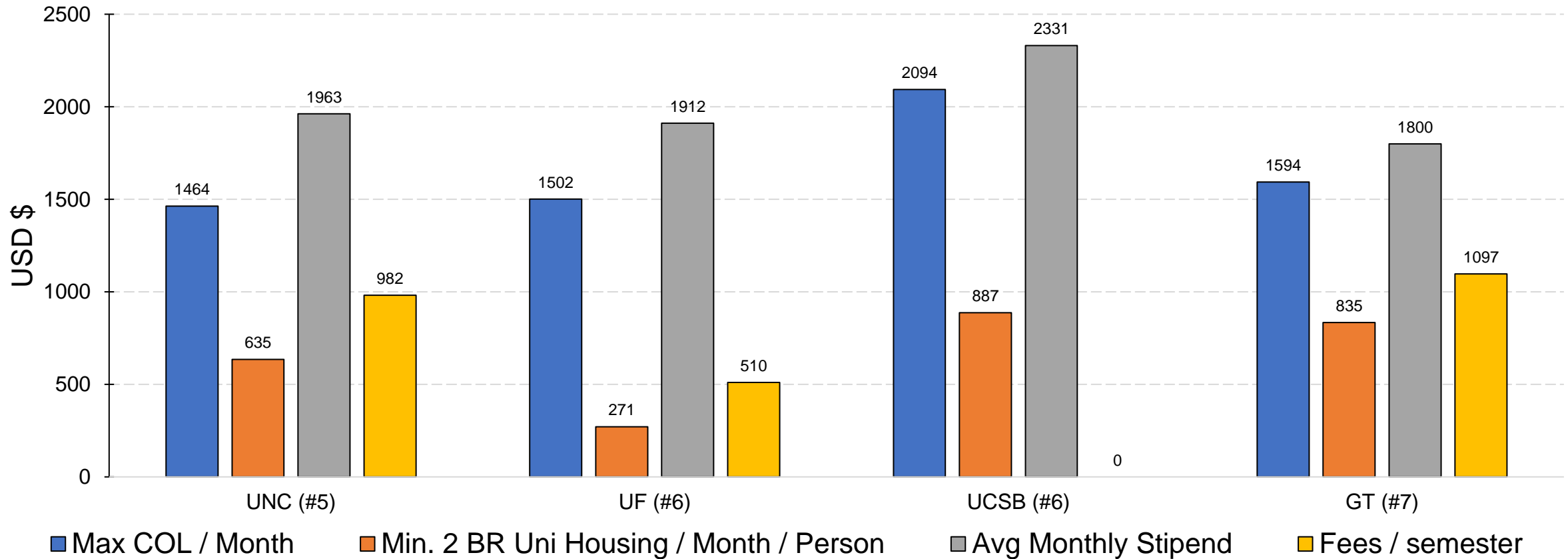
Note: Estimated housing costs are calculated at the bottom of Excel file and not presented in the Google Sheet of sources

Percentages of Enrolled Grad Students with Housing Needs Met On-Campus at Top 10's



After removal of Maguire/UVS, UF will no longer exceed flanking Top 10's in the arena of housing grad students on campus

Graduate Income/Expenses for Similarly Ranked Top 10 School Grad Programs

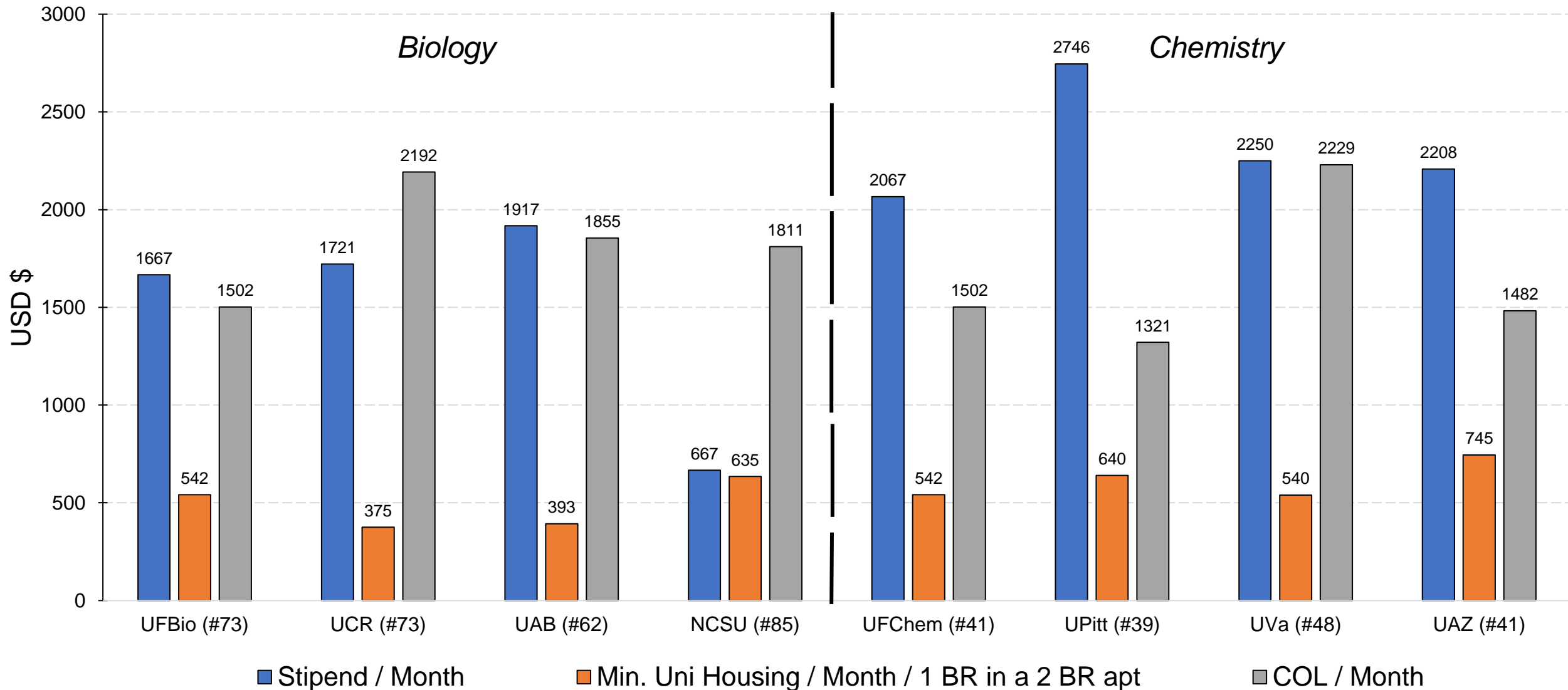


UF's low cost of university housing is a rare asset

UF's average GA stipend and cost of living (COL) is competitive with GT, but stipend is less desirable than flanking Top 10's. Rent higher than 30% of income is considered cost burdened. On-campus affordable housing significantly offsets this financial burden.

Note: Max COL (with respect to grocery expenses) is included. COL uses off-campus median rent / person

Graduate Stipend, COL, and University Housing at Similarly Ranked Biology and Chemistry Graduate Programs



At a program-specific level, UF's GA stipends generally do not compete with flanking grad program's stipends. Housing is currently competitive in a narrow window.