Graduate College News and Events

Dean's Message

Though you wouldn’t know it by the weather in South Florida, summer has come to a close, and the Fall 2014 semester is well underway. Soon after 369 students graduated with advanced degrees from FAU this summer, we welcomed more than 1,100 new graduate students to the university.

With each passing year, the experience changes, as we launch new programs and witness the interesting work of our world-class faculty and dynamic student body.

Part of that experience is the start of the college football season, which kicks off this weekend. We urge you all to show your support for FAU by participating in College Colors Day this Friday, August 29. It’s a national celebration dedicated to promoting the traditions and spirit that embody the college experience, so be sure to wear FAU Blue and Red and attend FAU’s College Colors Day celebration, 11:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., at Traditions Plaza. You can enjoy free food, giveaways, live music, and a special performance by the Marching Owls and Spirit Squads.

As you’ll see on the calendar below, several great workshops are being offered in the coming weeks, including a Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Series Workshop on Conflict Of Interest on September 19 and 23, and a Thesis & Dissertation: Formatting Workshop on September 30.

September 14 marks 50 years since FAU first opened its doors to students, and we now have the most racially, ethnically and culturally diverse student body in the nation. As we celebrate this milestone, we can take pride in all the university, its faculty, alumni and students have accomplished. Today’s FAU presents tremendous resources and unprecedented opportunities to our students, and I encourage you to take full advantage of everything we have to offer.

With best regards,
Deborah L. Floyd
Interim Dean of the Graduate College and Professor

Upcoming Graduate College Events and Workshops
Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) Workshops

The Graduate College, in partnership with the Division of Research, offers a series of workshops each fall and spring semester on the Responsible Conduct of Research for all currently-enrolled graduate students at FAU. The workshops are led by FAU faculty and cover the nine instructional areas of RCR. Responsible Conduct of Research (RCR) is a mandatory course for all students working on NSF or NIH-funded programs. Click here for more information and to register.

- **Conflict of Interest** - September 19 and 23
- **Protection of Human Subjects and Welfare of Research Animals** - October 7 and 10
- **Data Management Practices, Research Misconduct and Collaborative Research** - October 14 and 17
- **Responsible Authorship & Publication, Peer Review and Mentor/Mentee Responsibilities** - October 21 and 24

Thesis and Dissertation Formatting Workshops

For more information and to register, please contact Julie Farkas at jfarkas3@fau.edu.

- September 30 - CM-22, Room 146, 2:00 - 3:30 p.m.
- October 8 - CM-22, Room 146, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
- October 17 - CM-22, Room 146, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.
- October 27 - CM-22, Room 146, 10:00 - 11:30 a.m.
- November 5 - CM-22, Room 146, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Professional Development Workshops

The Graduate College in conjunction with Counseling and Psychological Services present several workshops throughout the semester. For more information, please contact Julie Farkas at jfarkas3@fau.edu.

- Stress Management: Reducing, Preventing, and Coping with Stress – October 15 - CU 125, 5:00 p.m.
- Balancing Multiple Roles: Navigating Your Way through Graduate School – November 19 - CU 125, 5:00 p.m.

Seminar for International Teaching Assistants

Click here for the full SITA program schedule this fall. All classes held Saturdays, 11:00am--2:00pm, in ED 332. Topics include Communications Skills, Learning the Language, and Navigating the Classroom, among other topics. Classes to be held on September 6, 13, 20, 27 and October 4, 11, 18, 25.

Graduate College Open House

Interested in pursuing an additional graduate degree? Learn about FAU's 69 masters, three specialist, and 22 doctoral degree programs at our Open House. Meet faculty advisors and college representatives and learn about financial aid opportunities. Go here for more information and to register: http://fau.edu/graduate/openhouse.php.
Master's *en Passant*

Did you know you can earn a master's “along the way” to your doctorate in select graduate programs? Also known as a master's *en passant*, earning a master's degree along the way to the doctorate is an effective way to pick up a master's degree in your doctoral discipline. If you are currently enrolled in a doctoral program at FAU, speak to your academic advisor to see if a master's along the way is an option for you!

[Click here](#) to learn more!

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**2014 Dean's Challenge**

Join the Graduate College at the first FAU home game on September 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the FAU Stadium and receive special price tickets and support the Graduate College!

- $40/ticket - Delray Hyundai Deck
- $6/ticket - Hootville

To purchase the special price ticket, contact John Zeleznock in the Athletic Ticket office and mention "Graduate": 561-297-6720 or email jzeleznock@fau.edu.

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**Graduation Celebration**

During the summer 2014 commencement, the Graduate College and Graduate & Professional Association (GPSCA) hosted parties to celebrate with new graduates! Graduates and their families celebrated with a photo booth, refreshments, and visits from President Kelly and other faculty. [Click here](#) to see all the photos from the parties.
Revised Thesis & Dissertation Guidelines

We are pleased to announce the release of the revised Graduate Thesis and Dissertation Guidelines. This document contains many improved features to better assist you in the manuscript preparation process.

All graduate students completing their manuscripts for fall 2014 graduation or later are expected to follow the revised Graduate Thesis and Dissertation Guidelines. Click here for more information.

Thesis & Dissertation Format Reviews

The Graduate College provides up to two courtesy format reviews. Submitting early for a formatting check can greatly reduce the amount of corrections required for your final manuscript. Email the manuscript as a Word document or PDF to graduatewriting@fau.edu.

Important Dates

Friday, September 5
Last day to submit Application for Degree to the Graduate College

Friday, September 5
Last day to submit Form 9, Revision to Existing Plan of Study, to the Graduate College (if needed)

Monday, November 10
Last day to submit completed doctoral dissertation (printed on draft paper) to the Graduate College for approval. Signed signature page(s) printed on bond paper must be included with the dissertation.

Monday, November 17
Last day to submit completed master’s thesis (printed on draft paper) to the Graduate College for approval. Signed signature page(s) printed on bond paper must be included with the thesis.

Wednesday, November 26
Last day to submit final manuscript package to the Graduate College

Wednesday, November 26
Last day to upload electronic thesis or dissertation (ETD) to the FAU library

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Graduate And Professional Student Association (GPSA)

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Dissertation Year Awards Call for Applications!

Due: September 22, 2014 by 5 pm

The deadline for this award to help students complete their dissertations has shifted from Spring to Fall. Maximum amount for this 12-month award is $1,500. Applications and all materials are due in one PDF to the Division of Research at limited@fau.edu by September 22, 2014 at 5 pm. Click here for more information, the call for application details, and to view a list of 2014 awardees.

Follow the GPSA on Twitter and Facebook

The GPSA joined Twitter. Follow @GPSAboca for updates on graduate student programming, events, activities, news, and more!

And make sure friend the GPSA on Facebook! Search for FAU Graduate And Professional Student Association.

Upcoming GPSA Events

Look for GPSA hosted golfing lessons, a painting class, and tailgating at the first home game against Tulsa on September 13! More details to come. Follow the GPSA and Graduate College on Facebook for more information.

Career Development Center (CDC)

Same Day Career Advising - Available most Mondays - Thursdays from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. in SU 220, Boca Raton campus.

OWL CareerLink 101 Workshop - Thursday, August 28 at 2:00 p.m., SU 222, Boca Raton Campus

For more information, please visit: www.fau.edu/cdc.

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August 29, 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
College Colors Day, Traditions Plaza, Boca Raton Campus

September 3, 8, 10, 13, 17, 22, 24, 29, October 1, 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.
Yoga - Davie - Student Union 105 - Heritage Hall

September 4, 1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
Grant Writing Workshop, Davie - Student Union 105 - Heritage Hall

September 4 - 6, 9 - 13, 16 - 20, 23 - 27, 30, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
Graphic Advocacy: International Posters for a Digital Age 2001–2012, Ritter Gallery, FAU Boca Raton

September 5, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.
Talent Show, Davie - Student Union Lounge

September 13
Dean's Challenge - FAU v.s. Tulsa, and FAU Pride Day

September 20 - October 1, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.
Common Ground: Artists in the Everglades, Schmidt Center Gallery

September 23, 12:00 - 2:30 p.m.
The Art of Schmoozing, Davie - Student Union 105 - Heritage Hall

October 18, 9:00 a.m.
FAU Expo - Admin Lawn, Boca Raton Campus

November 1, 3:00 p.m.
FAU Expo - Admin Lawn, Boca Raton Campus

For more information and a complete listing of upcoming FAU events, visit:
http://events.fau.edu/mastercalendar/mastercalendar.aspx

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