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FLORIDA ATLANTIC

Florida Atlantic University was established by an act of the Florida Legislature in 1961 and opened its doors to students in 1964. In addition to its original 850-acre campus in Boca Raton, the University has campuses in Dania Beach, Davie, Fort Lauderdale, Jupiter and Fort Pierce.

FAU's ethnically diverse population includes more than 30,000 students and 1,000 full- and part-time faculty members. The University's 10 colleges—the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, the College of Business, the College of Education, the College of Engineering and Computer Science, the Graduate College, the Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine, the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science and the College of Social Work and Criminal Justice—offer 96 bachelor's, 74 master's, 3 specialist's and 25 doctoral degrees. To date, the University has awarded 227,616 degrees to more than 192,000 alumni.

In December 1967, FAU was elected to regular membership in the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. At that time, the Commission on Higher Education of the Southern Association granted full accreditation to all of the University's programs. In accordance with Association regulations, this accreditation was reaffirmed in 1972, 1982, 1992, 2002 and 2013.

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Stacy A. Volnick, Ph.D., was unanimously approved by the FAU Board of Trustees as interim president on Sept. 19, 2022, and confirmed by the Florida Board of Governors on Nov. 9, 2022.

Dr. Volnick is responsible for the operation and administration of the entire University within the framework of policies provided by the Board of Trustees in keeping with the laws of the State of Florida and the Board of Governors. She makes recommendations for policies and decisions that will enable the University to run smoothly and effectively at all levels. She also collaborates with the Board of Trustees and other stakeholders to determine priorities and accomplish the many objectives of the University.

In addition to her role as interim president, Dr. Volnick serves as an affiliate clinical professor for the Department of Educational Leadership and Research Methodology in the College of Education.

Previously, Dr. Volnick served as chief operating officer and vice president for administrative affairs. In this role, Dr. Volnick provided oversight for the university's administrative and operational units including Public Safety, Facilities Management, Environmental Health & Safety, Human Resources, Business Services, Emergency Management, Board of Trustee Operations, President's Office Operations, the Eleanor R. Baldwin House presidential residence, Real Estate Development, the University Ombudsman, as well as the Offices of the Inspector General and University Compliance. She also served as interim vice president for institutional advancement, interim vice president for financial affairs and chief financial officer, interim oversight over public affairs, and interim inspector general.

A three-time Owl and a proud first-generation college graduate, Dr. Volnick received her bachelor's degree in communication and her master's and doctoral degrees in educational leadership from Florida Atlantic. She became a member of the University's administrative staff in 1991 and has more than 30 years of experience in higher education administration.

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Dr. Rachel Luria, Associate Dean

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The History of the Mace

The mace, generally made of wood and clad in metal, was used as a weapon during the Middle Ages. Later, as more powerful military arms were developed, the mace became a symbol of authority.

During the 12th century, guards of the English and French kings were the first to bear ceremonial maces. The tradition grew, and by the end of the 16th century the mace was used by officials in cities and towns throughout England. Today, the ceremonial mace is carried in the British Houses of Parliament, before ecclesiastical dignitaries and in university convocations.

The Florida Atlantic University mace carried in today's commencement procession by the University Marshal was designed and handcrafted by FAU Art Professor William Lattimer. It is made of mahogany and silver. The carved staff encircled with silver rings is topped by a silver owl with outspread wings. The design signifies the dignity, determination and wisdom of FAU's mascot, the burrowing owl.

Baccalaureate Degrees of Distinction

Florida Atlantic University recognizes superior academic performance by granting baccalaureate degrees of distinction on the recommendation of faculty to students who have earned at least 45 credits at FAU with grade point averages (GPA) as follows:

Cum Laude for a GPA at FAU of at least 3.50, indicated herein by *

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The awarding of degrees and honors to the candidates named in this program is contingent upon the satisfactory completion of appropriate requirements by each candidate. The listing of students' names in this program in no way implies or ensures their graduation or the awarding of honors.

A Note on Photography

In order to maintain an orderly and dignified ceremony, one that our graduates can remember with pride and enjoyment, guests are requested to remain seated during the entire ceremony and recessional and to refrain from taking pictures of the candidates until after the exercises are completed.

The University has contracted with GradImages™ to take full-color, close-up photographs of all graduates during the ceremony. Graduates will be contacted after the ceremony about purchasing the photographs. GradImages™, 3490 Martin Hurst Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32312, 800-261-2576, www.gradimages.com.

Your cooperation will ensure that the commencement exercises will run smoothly and that the ceremony itself will be a fitting occasion to mark this significant milestone in the lives of our graduates.

ACADEMIC *Regalia*

Lending color to the pageantry of the commencement ceremony are the academic robes and hoods worn by the faculty and delegates. This regalia dates to medieval times, when it served a functional as well as an ornamental role, separating learned men from other groups and offering warmth and protection.

In late 19th-century America, a conference was held by representatives of colleges and universities to bring more order to the custom of academic dress. Since that time, periodic conferences have taken place to revise or reconfirm existing practices.

Here at FAU, holders of the bachelor’s degree wear navy blue robes embroidered with the FAU mark. The color of the tassel indicates the student’s college (see listing below). Holders of the master’s degree wear black robes embroidered with the FAU mark and hoods lined with the colors of the University, blue and red, and trimmed with the color of the student’s college (see listing below).

Holders of the doctoral degree wear custom-designed FAU regalia. The black robes have panels and sleeve chevrons in blue velvet outlined in red piping. The doctoral hoods are lined with the colors of the University, blue and red, and trimmed with the color of the doctoral degree. Holders of degrees from foreign universities or religious orders wear the entire academic costumes as decreed by the conferring institutions.

President Stacy A. Volnick wears presidential regalia. The four chevrons on the sleeve of her robe are used only by university presidents. Members of the FAU Board of Trustees wear regalia with the University’s seal and colors, blue and red.

Colors found on the students’ hoods and tassels represent FAU’s colleges:

Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters	White
College of Business	Drab
College of Education.....	Light Blue
College of Engineering and Computer Science	Orange
Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College	White
Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine.....	Kelly Green
Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing.....	Apricot
Charles E. Schmidt College of Science	Gold
College of Social Work and Criminal Justice	Midnight Blue

Colors that may be found on the hoods worn in the academic procession represent the following disciplines:

Accounting, Business Administration	Drab	Library Science	Lemon Yellow
Architecture, Urban Planning	Blue Violet	Mathematics, Physics, Science	Science Gold
Art, Letters, English, History, Sociology	White	Medicine	Kelly Green
Biomedical Science.....	Gold	Music.....	Pink
Communication, Journalism	Crimson	Nursing.....	Apricot
Computer Science, Engineering	Orange	Philosophy, Political Science	Dark Blue
Criminal Justice	Midnight Blue	Physical Education.....	Sage Green
Dramatic Arts, Fine Arts	Brown	Psychology	Gold
Economics	Copper	Public Administration	Peacock Blue
Education	Light Blue	Social Work	Citron

UNIVERSITY *History*

Florida Atlantic University, created in 1961 by act of the Florida Legislature, went into operation in 1964 as one of the first universities in the nation serving upper-division and graduate students exclusively. The University was dedicated on October 25, 1964, by President Lyndon B. Johnson, becoming one of the few American institutions of higher learning to be so honored by a sitting President of the United States. Twenty years later, in 1984, FAU became a four-year university when the first freshman class was admitted.

Today, the University is serving more than 30,000 undergraduate and graduate students on sites throughout its six-county service region in southeast Florida, where its annual economic impact is \$6.3 billion. More than 192,000 individuals are now FAU alumni.

The University is organized into 10 colleges: the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters, the College of Business, the College of Education, the College of Engineering and Computer Science, the Graduate College, the Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, the Charles E. Schmidt College of Medicine, the Christine E. Lynn College of Nursing, the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science and the College of Social Work and Criminal Justice.

FAU has fully funded Eminent Scholar Chairs in academic areas that include engineering, business, community education, the arts, social science, nursing, marine biology, philosophy, Holocaust studies, Judaic studies, brain science and growth management.

Playing an important part in furthering the mission of the University are a number of centers and institutes dedicated to specific academic or research pursuits. For example, FAU is the home of the Southeast National Marine Renewable Energy Center, a federally funded research facility that is developing technology to generate energy by harnessing the power of Florida's offshore ocean currents. FAU's Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute, in collaboration with the Charles E. Schmidt College of Science and the College of Engineering and Computer Science, is at the forefront of the discovery of medicines from deep-sea marine organisms, as well as ocean exploration, conservation and education initiatives. FAU's S.E. Wimberly Library is the home of one of the nation's finest, most comprehensive collections of historical documents relating to the birth of American democracy—the Marvin and Sybil Weiner Spirit of America Collection.

To enhance interdisciplinary and collaborative research, FAU established four university-wide research institutes focused on the University's strengths. These are dedicated to improving and addressing diseases of the brain, enhancing human health and quality of life, protecting the environment locally and globally, and using sensors to monitor the world around us. FAU also entered into joint research and education agreements with two of the premier scientific research organizations in the world: the Scripps Research Institute and the Max Planck Society.

One of Florida's 12 public universities, FAU is committed to serving the educational needs of persons of retirement age through non-credit courses offered by the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute, which is believed to be the largest and most successful organization of its kind in the United States.

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