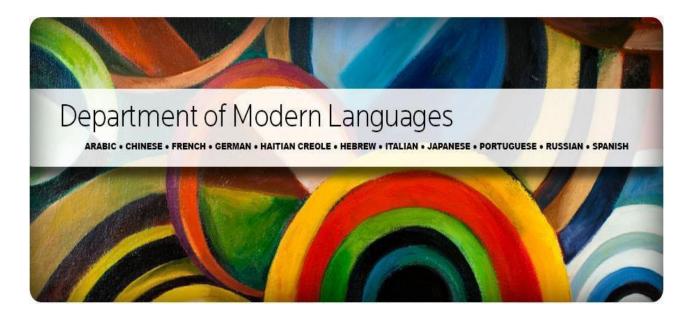
Graduate Student Handbook: 2021-2022

Florida International University



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Welcome to FIU's Doctor of Philosophy in Spanish program. We are delighted to have you join us! We hope this handbook will help you through your initial adjustment to FIU and the Department of Modern Languages. This handbook will serve as a comprehensive guide and resource as you progress through the graduate program. We encourage students to become familiar with its content and ask that you please take the time to read through the handbook in its entirety, and reread sections as questions arise. If you have any concerns regarding the information provided in this handbook, or *anything* about the Department, feel free to contact the Interim Graduate Program Director serving for the 2021-2022 Academic Year, Dr. Maida Watson, watsonm@fu.edu.

GRADUATE PROGRAM

The Graduate Program in Spanish at Florida International University offers an innovative curriculum that encompasses all aspects of Hispanic literature, culture and civilization, with an emphasis on the Caribbean, as well as courses in Spanish linguistics, literary theory, and teaching and research methodology. As a community of active scholars, we endeavor to offer each of our graduate students the opportunity for intellectual growth, development and interdisciplinary work within a multicultural environment, and to provide students with a rigorous theoretical foundation.

The courses offered reflect the variety of the faculty's interests as well as the students' needs and engage different modalities of interpretation from stylistics and traditional philology to cultural studies, post-structuralism, new historicism and feminist theory. Our graduate faculty and advanced students are research active, and the department's collegial intellectual climate is reflected in their steady participation in conferences, symposia and research publication.

We hold a biennial international conference on Hispanic Cultural Studies that attracts scholars from all around the world and gives our graduate students the opportunity to gain a useful experience in their professional training. In addition, graduate students can receive financial support from different sources to present papers at national and international conferences.

Most of our faculty and students are active members of the FIU Latin American and Caribbean Center (LACC), an organization that promotes advanced education and research on Latin America and the Caribbean. LACC offers publications and public education activities that address the full range of issues affecting hemispheric relations.

Our program also makes a solid commitment to all students in the area of professional development, to ensure that they will be knowledgeable about the profession and adept at the skills needed to be active and participating members of the academic world. As our Teaching Assistants gain pedagogical experience, they are given the opportunity to teach higher level undergraduate courses. Student progress throughout the program is carefully monitored and mentored. A rigorous and innovative teaching assistant training program prepares them for the instructional component of their future professional careers. In addition, the faculty sponsors yearly practical seminars and workshops that deal with various aspects of the academic profession.

PEOPLE

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Ph.D. IN SPANISH

The Department of Modern Languages offers a variety of opportunities for advanced study. The Ph.D. program in Spanish is designed to prepare students to become first-rate scholars and teachers, primarily in institutions of higher learning. In addition to two major fields of specialization (Peninsular Spanish Literature and Spanish American Literature), minors are available in Peninsular Spanish Literature, Spanish American Literature, and Hispanic Linguistics. Please note that candidates to the Ph.D. must pass a qualifying examination.

We ask that you familiarize yourself with graduate program requirements and guidelines early on in your graduate career. Therefore, we are including material that will help you better understand and keep track of program requirements, departmental policies, and guidelines for the entire Ph.D. program. In addition, information regarding candidacy requirements and advancement (Departmental and UGS) will be reviewed.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

The application process involves two sets of requirements: (1) the materials presented to the Department of Modern Languages, evaluated by the Graduate Committee in order to recommend an applicant for admission, (2) the online application to the University Graduate School which includes two letters of recommendation.

1. Materials presented to the Department

- Current curriculum vitae;
- Unofficial copy of transcripts from any post-secondary institution(s) attended;

• Writing sample. A research paper written in Spanish (15-20 pages). The essay should analyze a topic related to Hispanic Literatures and Cultures and should include a list of works cited.

• Statement of Purpose (written in English) explaining your personal background and objectives for graduate study. Applicants may also mention field of interest and affinity with any of our faculty member's specialty. If seeking Teaching Assistantship, please state it in this document.

• Current unofficial TOEFL scores (if applicable).

Please mail the necessary documents to:

Florida International University Department of Modern Languages 11200 SW 8 ST, DM 499 Miami, Florida 33199 Attn: Graduate Studies Director

2. University Graduate School Materials

After being recommended for admission by the Graduate Committee, students must complete their application by providing the following official documents through the online application (<u>UGS</u> <u>account</u>).

- Official transcripts from any post-secondary institution(s) attended.
- GRE or EXADEP scores (no minimum score is required).
- TOEFL scores. Required for all foreign graduates (550 paper-based, 80 internet-based or 6.5 on IELTS exam).
- Official translations of transcripts and diplomas (if applicable).

Ph.D. in Spanish: Application Deadlines and Requirements			
Program	Spanish		
Degree	PhD		
Contact	Melissa Baralt, Phone: 305-348- 2854, Fax: 305-348-1085, DM 470A, mbaralt@fiu.edu		
Start Terms	Fall only		
Application Deadlines	December 15th if seeking assistantship, February 15th for all other		

	applicants.
GPA	Contact department for minimum requirements
GRE	Required
TOEFL	Required for all foreign graduates (550 paper-based, 80 internet-based or 6.5 on IELTS exam)
Applicant Statement/ Letter of Intent	Required, to be sent directly to department.
Additional Requirements	To be sent directly to department: Resume or CV and writing sample (15-20 page research paper written in Spanish). Request to be considered for Graduate Assistantship should be included in Applicant's Statement.

For more specific information please contact the Graduate Program Director

Note:

Applicants with Master's degrees are required to have a graduate GPA of 3.5.

Students holding Master of Arts degrees in Spanish or Hispanic Studies will be considered for admission and some or all of their graduate credits may be counted toward the doctoral degree after being evaluated and approved by the Graduate Studies Committee. Student will be able to transfer a maximum of 33 graduate credits from an earned graduate degree.

CURRICULUM

The doctoral program consists of 75 semester hours of graduate level work beyond the Bachelor's degree, distributed as follows: 57 graduate credits of courses and 18 credits of dissertation.

Core Courses (9 credits)

All core courses must be taken as graduate courses offered by the university and may not be taken as independent studies:

- SPW 5806 Methods of Literary Research
- FOL 5800 Foreign Language Teaching Methodology
- SPW 6825 Literary Theory and Criticism

Distribution Requirement (15 credits)*

All students must take:

- One course in Medieval or Golden Age Peninsular Spanish Literature
- One course in Peninsular Spanish Literature of the 18th, 19th, 20th, or 21th century
- One course in Colonial/19th century Spanish American Literature
- One course in 20th century Spanish American Literature
- One additional course in Spanish American Literature

Electives (33 credits)

Students may choose from graduate courses in Hispanic literature, linguistics, culture, and translation/interpretation. Courses outside the department can be taken with prior approval from dissertation advisor and GPD.

Independent Studies

Students who want to conduct research in a very specialized field with a particular faculty member will be allowed to register for a 3-credit independent study course with Mentor's permission. Under no circumstances will a student be authorized to take a regularly taught course as an independent study. Independent studies are envisioned as an opportunity for students to carry out specialized research, not as a substitute for regular courses.

Second Language and Computer Literacy Requirement

Students must demonstrate a reading knowledge of a language other than Spanish and English, chosen from among German, Latin, Haitian Creole, or one of the Romance languages. This requirement may be satisfied by passing an examination or by taking and passing a second semester course or above in the chosen language. Language requirements must be satisfied before admission to candidacy. The completion of the language requirement at another university does not exempt the student from the Florida International University requirement.

Computer literacy is required for graduation. Students will have the opportunity to learn some basic computer skills in the course entitled Methods of Literary Research. In addition, students are encouraged to take any of the workshops periodically offered by Florida International University computer services.

Administrative Procedures

You should make a habit of keeping in contact with the Graduate Program Director and your Mentor regarding your progress through the program. It is particularly important that you communicate with them about your plans at the following stages so that they can assist you with the appropriate paperwork:

- Formation of your Qualifying Examinations Committee
- Formation of your Dissertation Committee
- Completion of graduate D forms
- Oral defense logistics
- Changes in Dissertation Committee
- Plans to be part of the FIU/UM exchange program
- Plans to go on leave

TIME ALLOWED TO COMPLETE THE DOCTORAL PROGRAM

After you are admitted to a doctoral degree program and have taken at least one approved course, you must complete all degree requirements within a nine-year period. Exceptions will only be considered in extraordinary cases. No more than two extensions will be granted. An extension is for one semester. Students must request an extension in writing. The request must include a timeline and plan for completing the degree. In addition, the chair of the doctoral committee must formally request the extension in writing and include the written request from the student. The Graduate Director will approve or deny the request. If the request for an extension is approved, the co-director will forward it to the Graduate School for approval. The Graduate School will approve or deny the request. If the request is final.

PHD FORMS AND DEADLINES

All dissertation forms can be found on the UGS website: <u>http://gradschool.fiu.edu/student-forms.shtml</u>

Forms are always due to the Modern Languages department TWO weeks in advance of the UGS deadline

Annual Student Evaluation and Mentoring Form must be completed <u>annually</u> in April by <u>all</u> PhD students.

FORM D-1 should be submitted by doctoral students as soon as the dissertation committee has been formed. FORM D-1 should typically be submitted one semester before FORM D-3 but no later than the deadline: FOUR semesters before the anticipated graduation term.

FORM D-2 should be submitted as soon as candidacy examination's results are available. Students will be allowed to register for dissertation credits AFTER submitting FORM D-2 to the University Graduate School and having it approved by UGS.

FORM D-3 should be submitted by doctoral students as soon as the dissertation proposal has been developed and approved by the dissertation committee. This should be early in the dissertation process to allow maximum dissertation committee input. Form D-3 should typically be submitted within a semester after FORM D-2 but no later than the deadline: THREE semesters before the anticipated graduation term.

FORM D-5 must be submitted to the University Graduate School at least 3 weeks before the date of the defense or by the deadline (whichever date is earlier).

DEADLINES: To view a list of UGS deadlines for Thesis and Dissertation, please visit: <u>http://gradschool.fiu.edu/electronic-thesis-dissertation-deadlines.shtml</u>

DOCTORAL QUALIFYING EXAMINATIONS

The Committee

Students will fill out form D-1 to appoint a Dissertation Committee. The committee is comprised of at least four members of the Graduate Faculty. The major professor must be a member of the Graduate Faculty who holds Dissertation Advisor Status and must be an expert in the subject of the dissertation. At least two members of the committee must be from the unit offering the graduate program and one must be from outside of the department or school but within FIU. Additional members may be appointed.

Students who enter with a relevant MA will form this committee by the beginning of the third semester and those who are admitted to the Ph.D. without a relevant MA will form the committee on their fourth semester.

Important: D-1 is to be completed no later than 4 semesters before the anticipated graduation semester. Deadlines for submission of subsequent forms to the UGS are available at: http://gradschool.fiu.edu/calendar-deadlines/#doctoral

It is the student's responsibility to make sure forms are received by the University Graduate School on time and that all deadlines are met.

Structure of the Qualifying Examination

The qualifying examination will consist of two written exams. Both exams will be based on reading lists that the student will compose in consultation with his/her committee. The lists should cover a variety of texts from different fields, periods, genres, and disciplines, taking into account the aspects of the topic that the student expects to be the subject of his/her dissertation and/or field of principle interest. Both are take-home exams that will be administered twice a year, typically in November and March. A month before the exams take place, the student will submit a concise statement (max. 5 pages double-spaced) describing the rationale for the lists and their aims in the examination process. The exams will be in the form of essay questions. The student will have two weeks for each take-home essay exam, each of which should be no longer than 20 pages.

FORM D-2 should be submitted as soon as qualifying examination's results are available. Students will be allowed to register for dissertation credit AFTER submitting FORM D-2 to the University Graduate School and having it approved by UGS.

Results of the Written Qualifying Examination and Defense of the Dissertation Proposal

The qualifying examination will be evaluated by three members of the dissertation committee: the major professor and the two professors from the Department of Modern Languages. If they consider that the student is ready to advance to candidacy, they will set a date for the oral defense of the dissertation proposal. Teaching Assistants should present this proposal no later than one

semester after they take the qualifying examinations. The dissertation proposal consists of two documents: 1) A concise (max. 5 pages double-spaced) dissertation proposal following University Graduate School guidelines; 2) a more developed statement of research purpose and plans (15-20 pages long). Students should circulate these two documents among all the members of the committee at least two weeks prior to the oral defense. The dissertation proposal has to be approved by the four members of the dissertation committee.

Form D-3 should be submitted by doctoral students as soon as the dissertation proposal has been developed and approved by the dissertation committee. Form D-3 has to be submitted at least THREE semesters before the anticipated graduation term.

If the committee determines that the student has not passed the qualifying examination, the committee may, but is not obligated to, allow him/her to retake the examination. If no such opportunity is offered, or if the student does not pass the retaken examination, he/she will be offered the option of applying for a terminal MA.

CANDIDACY REQUIREMENTS CHECKLIST

____Pass qualifying examination

___Show proof of Second Language and Computer Literacy Requirement

___Incompletes cleared from transcripts

____Successfully complete 57 graduate credit courses: Core courses (9 credits) Distribution requirements (15 credits) Electives (33 credits)

DISSERTATION AND ORAL DEFENSE

The submission of a dissertation is the last step in our Ph.D. program. The manuscript is a scholarly statement of the results of a long period of research and related preparation. The dissertation should demonstrate: original research, developed scholarship, and critical judgment. Students should visit http://gradschool.fiu.edu/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/2020-2021-ETD-Student-Manual-reduced-file-size.pdf for detailed information.

The Dissertation

A dissertation is required of all candidates for the doctoral degree. Students fully admitted to candidacy register in SPN 7980 Dissertation Research. Candidates must be registered in at least three credit-hours of dissertation research every semester --including summer term-- once they begin such preparation. The candidate must be enrolled for dissertation credits during the semester in which the doctoral degree is awarded. Students who fail to enroll in at least three dissertation credits will be discontinued from the program.

Upon completion of a dissertation, please notify the Graduate Director and your Major Professor. Please provide notification of your intent to graduate at the START of the semester. You will then be provided with instructions on the Dissertation Defense administrative process.

The Dissertation Defense

The date, time, and place of the Defense will be announced by memo from the Dissertation Director at least two weeks in advanced to the rest of the committee, the candidate, the Director of Graduate Studies, the department Chairperson, the Dean of the College, the Dean of Graduate Studies and Media Relations.

The oral defense, which is open to the public, will take the following form: 15 minute presentation by the candidate, and a 10 minute question period from each member of the dissertation committee.

Following the successful defense, as determined by a majority vote of the student's committee, the dissertation is forwarded to the Arts and Sciences Associate Dean for Graduate Studies and to the University Graduate School Dean for their approval.

The Ph.D. dissertation must be completed within five years of the doctoral qualifying examination, or the examination will have to be retaken.

M.A. IN SPANISH (*4+1 B.A./M.A.)

The Department of Modern Languages offers a variety of opportunities for advanced study. The graduate programs in Hispanic Literature are intended to prepare students to become first-rate scholars and teachers. The Master of Arts in Spanish focuses on Peninsular literature and Spanish American literature, including the literature written by Hispanics in the United States.

All M.A. students must pass written comprehensive examinations at the end of their course work and present a MA research paper (20-25 pages long, double-spaced). The examinations are based on the reading list prepared by the Department (see Annex I of this handbook).

*If you are interested in obtaining a graduate degree, the Department of Modern Languages offers a joint Bachelor-Master's degree in Spanish, also known as "4+1" program, where you can work toward both degrees at once in a shorter amount of time.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

• The application to the M.A. in Spanish involves two sets of requirements: (1) the materials presented to the Department of Modern Languages, evaluated by the Graduate Committee in order to recommend an applicant for admission, (2) the online application to the University Graduate School, (3) two letters of recommendation that address the applicant's preparation to pursue graduate studies in Spanish.

1. Materials presented to the Department

- Current curriculum vitae;
- Unofficial copy of transcripts from any post-secondary institution(s) attended;
- Writing sample. An 8-10 page research paper written in Spanish. The essay should analyze a topic related to Hispanic Literatures and Cultures.
- Statement of Purpose (written in English) explaining your personal background and objectives for graduate study. Applicants may also mention field of interest and affinity with any of our faculty member's specialty.

Please mail the necessary documents to:

Florida International University Department of Modern Languages 11200 SW 8 ST, DM 499 Miami, Florida 33199 Attn: Graduate Studies Director

2. University Graduate School Materials

The following materials should be uploaded here: http://gradschool.fiu.edu/admissions.shtml

• Official transcripts from any post-secondary institution(s) attended.

• TOEFL scores. Required for all foreign graduates (550 paper-based, 80 internet-based or 6.5 on IELTS exam).

• Official translations of transcripts and diplomas (if applicable).

FIU Application Deadlines and Requirements			
Program	Spanish		
Degree	MA		
Contact	Melissa Baralt, Phone: 305-348- 2854, Fax: 305-348-1085, DM 470A, mbaralt@fiu.edu		
Start Terms	Fall, Spring only		
Application Deadlines	Click here for Graduate Admissions deadlines		
GPA	Contact department for minimum requirements		
GRE	Not Required		

TOEFL	Required for all foreign graduates (550 paper-based, 80 internet-based or 6.5 on IELTS exam)		
Applicant			
Statement/	Required, to be sent directly to Department.		
Letter of Intent			
Additional	Resume or CV and writing sample (8-15 page research paper written in		
Requirements	Spanish) to be sent directly to Department.		
Apply Now			

4+1 COMBINED B.A. / M.A. – ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Current Enrollment in the BA in Spanish at FIU.
- Current GPA must be 3.5 or higher.

To be considered for admission to the combined degree program, you must have completed at least 75 and no more than 90 credits in a bachelor's degree program at FIU and meet the admissions criteria for the graduate degree program to which you are applying. *The application must be submitted before starting the last 30 credits of your Bachelor's degree program*.

Documents Required

Please complete this Application Form and have the Graduate Program Director of the program sign it. Then submit the application along with a non-refundable **\$30.00 Application Fee**, made payable to "Florida International University", to the **Graduate Admissions Office**, PC 230. Or via mail to FIU Graduate Admissions, P.O. Box 659004, Miami, FL 33265-9004

Click <u>here</u> for application

A copy of the application and the below listed items must be submitted to the Department of Modern Languages.

- Two letters of recommendation from professors in the Department of Modern Languages
- A research paper on literary analysis in Spanish. The paper must follow the MLA style and must include an original argument with explication of the text (min. 7 pages plus references).
- CV
- A letter of intent, written in English, to pursue graduate studies.

Admission to the Combined BA-MA is competitive and meeting the minimum GPA requirements does not guarantee entrance into the program. The Spanish Graduate Committee will evaluate carefully all application materials and will make a decision based on the potential of the student to finish graduate work successfully. Special attention will be given to the quality of the writing sample.

Please mail the necessary documents to:

Florida International University Department of Modern Languages 11200 SW 8 ST, DM 499 Miami, Florida 33199 Attn: Graduate Studies Director

Please note:

If admitted to the BA-MA combined program, you are expected to complete the bachelor's degree by the end of the term indicated on the application and complete the master's degree requirements within one year of completing the bachelor's degree. *Only 5000 level or higher courses and no more than 9 credits may be applied to both degree programs*.

CURRICULUM

The Master's degree program consists of 33 semester hours of graduate level work. A maximum of six credits of graduate course work may be transferred into the program from other institutions, subject to the approval of the departmental Graduate Committee. Six core courses and three elective courses are required at the 5000- and 6000-level. Some courses have prerequisites which do not count toward the degree.

Course Distribution

Core Courses (18 credits)

- SPW 5806 Methods of literary research
- FOL 5800 Foreign Language Teaching Methodology
- One course in either Medieval Spanish literature or literature of the Golden Age
- One course in peninsular Spanish literature of the 19th or the 20th centuries
- Two courses in Spanish American literature (colonial or 20th-century)

Electives

A student must take at least nine graduate credits of electives, as follows: 3 in Spanish or Spanish American literature, and 6 from one or more of the following areas: Spanish or Spanish American literature, Linguistics, or Spanish/Spanish American Culture.

Independent Studies

Students who want to conduct research in a very specialized field with a particular faculty member will be allowed to register for a 3-credit independent study course. No more than one such independent study will be allowed for the whole period of graduate studies. Under no circumstances will a student be authorized to take a regularly taught course as an independent

study. Independent studies are envisioned as an opportunity for students to carry out specialized research, not as a substitute for regular courses.

MASTER COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION

To sit for the M.A. comprehensive examination, a student must meet the following criteria:

- The student must be in good academic standing in the University
- The student must have completed the residency requirement or must be enrolled for the course work which will constitute such completion at the time of examination
- The student must be enrolled at the university

For the written examination students will have to use a PC-compatible computer with Microsoft Word. The exam is a 6-hour proctored examination given on one day and consisting of two areas: 1) Spanish American Literature; 2) Spanish Literature.

Each comprehensive examination will be graded by a committee consisting of the student's mentor, who will act as the Chair, and two additional faculty members from the Department of Modern Languages nominated by the student.

Comprehensive examinations are given twice a year, generally on the second week of March and on the second week of November for M.A. test takers. A comprehensive examination may not be passed conditionally. Passing the examination cannot be made contingent upon other factors such as the completion of additional course work or the preparation of extra research projects. The written examinations must be passed with a minimum of "B".

The Chair of the committee will inform the student in writing of the results of his/her performance on the examinations within 7 working days of the examination date. If the student fails the comprehensive examination, the committee, at its discretion, may provide for reexamination at a mutually convenient time but no earlier than one semester and no later than one year from the original date of the examination. Passing the comprehensive examination is a requisite for continuing in the graduate program. Students who fail the comprehensive examination twice will be dismissed from the graduate program.

GRADUATE GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES

MENTORING

Upon receiving notice of acceptance, the Graduate Program Director will assign each student a Mentor. The assignment will be based on compatibility of interests as determined from the application material.

Mentors will meet with their mentees regularly and assist them in various areas of academic and professional development. They will support students in conceiving and carrying out a well-

balanced course of study appropriate to their interests while advising on course selection. Mentors will also provide resources for conducting thesis/dissertation research while providing academic and professional advising to students. They will actively encourage professional meeting and conference participation. Finally, mentors will provide an intellectually stimulating, respectful, and supportive environment throughout each mentees time in graduate school.

GRADUATE ACTIVE AND FULL-TIME STATUS

Active Status

Active status entitles students to utilize the University's resources. All graduate students must take a minimum of one (l) credit hour per term to maintain active status in the program. Students will be dismissed for non- enrollment if there is a lapse in enrollment for three consecutive terms.

Full-Time Status

For full-time status, the University requires nine (9) credit hours of graduate enrollment for Fall and Spring and six (6) credit hours for Summer.

Once a doctoral student has advanced to candidacy, three (3) dissertation credits is considered fulltime enrollment, except for the purposes of Teaching Assistantships.

The maximum number of hours which a graduate student may carry in a single term without special permission is 15. A heavier load must be approved by both the graduate program director or department chairperson and the dean of the University Graduate School.

Admitted students who are recipients of stipends from the University, whether holders of fellowships or graduate assistantships, must be full-time students.

TIME LIMITS FOR GRADUATE DEGREE COMPLETION

As established by the University Graduate School (UGS), Doctoral students must complete their degree within <u>nine years of first enrollment</u>. All work used to meet degree requirements, including coursework and the successful defense of a dissertation, must be completed within the nine years prior to degree conferral.

M.A. students must complete their degree within <u>six years of first enrollment</u>. All work used to meet degree requirements, including coursework and the successful defense of an M.A. Thesis, if applicable, must be completed within the six years prior to degree conferral.

An approved leave of absence does not affect the time limits for degree completion.

ACADEMIC STANDING, DISMISSAL AND READMISSION POLICIES

Academic Standing: To remain in good academic standing, graduate students must maintain a

graduate GPA of 3.0. Undergraduate prerequisites taken after the bachelor's degree will not count toward the graduate GPA. More stringent grade expectations may be required by individual programs; however, they must be published in the University Graduate Catalog.

<u>Academic Dismissal</u>: Failure to maintain good academic standing will result in placement on academic warning, probation or dismissal.

Warning: A graduate student whose cumulative graduate GPA falls below a 3.0 will be placed on warning, indicating academic difficulty.

<u>Probation</u>: A graduate student on warning whose cumulative graduate GPA remains below 3.0 in the following semester will be placed on probation, indicating serious academic difficulty. The College or School of the student on probation may indicate the conditions which must be met in order to continue enrollment.

<u>Dismissal</u>: A graduate student on probation whose cumulative and semester GPA's fall below a 3.0 will be automatically dismissed from his or her program and the University. A graduate student will not be dismissed prior to attempting a minimum of 12 hours of coursework as a graduate student. The student has ten working days to appeal the dismissal decision.

A student may be dismissed for failure to make satisfactory progress toward degree completion or failure to complete all the requirements for a graduate degree within the time limits for degree completion.

A student may be dismissed for non-compliance with the continuous enrollment policy for doctoral students who have advanced to candidacy or master's students with an approved research proposal.

<u>Re-admission</u>: A period of at least one academic year must elapse after the date of dismissal before an application for admission will be accepted for consideration. During this year the student is prohibited from enrolling as a non-degree seeking student.

A student who has been dismissed from a graduate program for failure to maintain a 3.0 GPA may re-apply to the same program or apply to any other graduate program at FIU under the program requirements and policies in force at the time of re-application. In applications for re-admission, to the same program or admission to another program, admission criteria shall include consideration of previous performance at the graduate level in addition to the normal admission requirements.

Re-admission of all doctoral students will require approval by the Dean of the University Graduate School.

Please visit <u>http://gradschool.fiu.edu/policies-procedures.shtml</u> for a complete list of graduate policies and procedure.

GRADUATION

All students must apply for graduation during the term in which they intend to graduate. There are three application deadlines per year (Fall, Spring, and Summer). The deadlines are normally toward the beginning of each semester; please check the Academic Calendar for exact dates. Graduation ceremonies take place three times per year (once per semester). To apply for graduation, students must log into their <u>MyFIU</u> portal and select "Apply for Graduation" under the Academics drop down menu.

GUIDELINES FOR GRADUATE ASSISTANTS (TAs/DAs)

Awarded teaching assistantships are intended to provide financial support for graduate students working toward their Ph.D. degree. These assistantships give graduate students the opportunity to obtain university teaching experience under the guidance of departmental faculty.

All graduate assistants are expected to:

- Meet enrollment requirement (9 credits Fall/Spring; 6 credits Summer for Ph.D. students only)
- Adequately progress towards program completion
- Maintain a 3.5 GPA
- Participate in departmental activities such as the Graduate Lecture Series and workshops
- Successfully perform teaching assignments
- Produce 2 chapters per year *PhD students only
- Meet student evaluation and class observation standards

STEPS TO THE HIRING PROCESS

Once the hiring department offers an appointment for assistantship, the following steps need to be taken to ensure all proper documentation is submitted to the Human Resource payroll department:

NEW HIRES

- Once hired and prior to beginning employment, the student must complete the New Hire Employee Sign-On Packet for Graduate Assistants which is located on the Human Resource website http://hr.fiu.edu under "Forms Library". This packet must be completed and submitted to HR in PC 224 by the specific payroll deadlines.
- Graduate managers enter and submit the graduate assistant contract online (Panthersoft HR system) within the specified deadlines by the University Graduate School.
- Sign employment agreement form.

INTERNATIONAL NEW HIRES

- Once hired and prior to beginning employment, the student must go to the International Student & Scholar Services (ISSS) Office located in GC355 (MMC) OR WUC363 (BBC). They will provide the international students with a notarized document to submit to the Social Security Administration office to apply for their Social Security card.
- Along with the notarized document, the student is to also take their international documentation- i.e. passport, I-20, visa, I-94, etc. to the Social Security Administration office.
- The Form I-9 must be completed with the valid document(s) before or within 3 days of employment.
- Upon receipt of the Social Security card and prior to beginning employment, the student must complete the New Hire Employee Sign-On Packet for Graduate Assistants which is located on the Human Resource website http://hr.fiu.edu under "Forms Library". This packet must be completed and submitted to HR in PC 224 by the specific payroll deadlines.
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REGISTRATION AND CLASSES

MyFIU

MyFIU is the university's student self-service portal. Through my.fiu.edu, students are able to: register for courses, drop courses, locate class offerings, view class schedule, etc.

Before you register

- 1. Check your Enrollment Appointment.
 - This is located on your my.fiu.edu account under self-service on the right side of the screen. *This is your specific date for registration. This date is established by the university.
- 2. Get Advised.
 - Meet with your Mentor to ensure you are taking appropriate courses
 - Advise: You should make an appointment at least two months before your enrollment appointment.
- 3. Clear holds:
 - Holds or Outstanding balances to the university may delay your enrollment.
- 4. Register early:

- Make sure to register for classes prior to the first day of classes to avoid a late registration fee of \$100.
- Refer to the academic calendar for dates and deadlines.
- 5. Make a payment
 - If you have financial aid be sure your application is completed to avoid any delays in your disbursement.
 - Out of pocket payments need to be paid on or before the payment deadline to avoid a \$100 late payment fee.

Adding Courses

- 1. Students log into the Panthersoft system in order to register for courses.
- 2. Go to the "Campus Solutions Self Service" area.
- 3. Go to "Enrollment" and then "Enrollment: Add Classes."
- 4. Select Term and click Continue.
- 5. Students are able to search for classes using the course number, course prefix, department, or class number. They then select courses to add to the "Shopping Cart." Adding courses to the Shopping Cart does not officially enroll the student into the course(s).
- 6. After all desired courses are added to the Shopping Cart, the student must "Proceed to Step 2 of 3" on the Add page and then click on "Finish Enrolling."
- 7. Students can use the tabs at the top of the Enrollment page to drop courses, swap courses, or view their class schedule.

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REGISTRATION FEES

https://onestop.fiu.edu/finances/estimate-your-costs/graduate-tuition-fees/

Late Registration Fees

Students who initiate their registration after the published registration deadline (as indicated on the Academic Calendar) will be assessed a Late Registration Fee of \$100. If registration occurred late due to university error or situations outside the student's control, the student may appeal the Late Registration Fee at the Office of the Registrar with supporting documentation.

FUNDING

TEACHING ASSISSTANTSHIPS

A limited number of assistantships are available each year for doctoral students. Candidates seeking an assistantship must apply in writing to the Graduate Program Director by December 15th. Ph.D. assistantships normally consist of a stipend of approximately \$20,154 per academic year (including the summer terms) and a matriculation fee-waiver (24 credits for Ph.D. students).

In exchange, students who receive assistantships must work twenty hours per week for the Department and must take a minimum of nine credits per semester and six credits in the summer. Students with more than eighteen graduate credits generally fulfill their work requirements by teaching one language class per term.

Assistantships are incompatible with outside employment of any kind. Should there be proof of a student being employed elsewhere, the assistantship will automatically be terminated. Assistantships can be renewed up to a maximum of four academic years when a student enters the program with a relevant M.A. and a maximum of five years if student starts the Ph.D. without an M.A. Renewal is not automatic but contingent upon the student's successful performance in the following areas: (1) academics (2) work as graduate or teaching assistant, (3) participation in all the meetings and activities organized by the department. Renewals must be approved by the graduate committee in consultation with the student's advisor and the Language Coordinator. In order to have the Teaching Assistantship renewed, ABDs will have to show adequate progress towards the completion of their dissertation.

Contact the Department of Modern Languages Graduate Program Director at (305) 348- 2854 for more information.

PABLO RUIZ-OROZCO AND MIGUEL ANGEL QUESADA MEMORIAL

SCHOLARSHIP

The scholarship is awarded every year to a Graduate Student of Spanish from the Department of Modern Languages whose selection is based on the writing of an essay. The Pablo Ruiz-Orozco and Miguel Angel Quesada Scholarship was instituted by the Municipio de Ciego de Avila en el Exilio to honor the memory of these two distinguished Cuban professionals.

Contact the Department of Modern Languages Graduate Program Director for more information.

THE MORRIS AND ANITA BROAD RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP

Awarded through the Green-School of International and Public Affairs, the newly established Broad Fellowship Awards are made possible through a generous gift from Morris and Anita Broad. The competition for research scholarship awards is open to junior tenure-earning faculty members as well as advanced doctoral students (ABD level—those who have passed comprehensive exams and have successfully defended the dissertation prospectus) in one of the SIPA departments or programs. Selected Fellows receive funding that can be used for fieldwork or archival research; the purchase of supplies such as computer hardware, software, and books; and conference travel in support of their scholarship.

The purpose of the fellowship is to provide FIU faculty members and doctoral students at early stages in their careers with an opportunity to supplement other resources for enhancing their research so that they will be better able to complete their manuscripts, grant proposals or dissertations. Faculty may receive awards of up to \$1,000 and doctoral candidates may receive up to \$750.

Contact the Department of Modern Languages Graduate Program for more information.

TINKER FIELD RESEARCH GRANTS

The Tinker Foundation Field Research Grants Program funds graduate student travel to any Spanish or Portuguese-speaking country in Latin America and the Caribbean to conduct research directly related to the region. It is designed to provide budding scholars with critical support for pre-doctoral research and also enables them develop contacts with leading scholars and institutions in their respective fields of study.

Contact LACC's Director of Research at (305)348-2894 for more information about the Tinker Field Research Grant program.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF FUNDING

For a list of other possible funding sources, see the 'Graduate Funding' page on the UGS website.

STUDENT SERVICES

ONE STOP ENROLLMENT SERVICES

One Stop Enrollment Services is composed of the Office of Financial Aid, the Bursar's Office, and the Office of the University Registrar. All students may obtain assistance with financial aid, student accounts, registration, and records. For more information go to <u>https://onestop.fiu.edu/</u>

You may also use the following contact information:

- For Financial Aid inquiries please visit PC 135, call (305) 348-7272, or email <u>onestop@fiu.</u> <u>edu</u>
- For tuition and university fee inquiries please visit the Bursar's Office in PC 120, call (305) 348-2126, or email <u>onestop@fiu.edu</u>
- For registration inquiries please visit PC 130, call (305) 348-2320, or email <u>onestop@fiu.edu</u>

STUDENT HEALTH SERVICES (SHS)

FIU's Student Health Services (SHS) is committed to providing registered students with free or low-cost quality medical care and health promotion services, which will allow them to thrive both academically and personally. SHS provides affordable and accessible student-focused medical care and promotes healthy lifestyles through education, mentorship, and research activities thus facilitating the academic success of students. Services provided include: women's health, physical exams, chronic disease management (asthma, diabetes, and hypertension), assistance with prescription medications, massage therapy, dietician services, etc. SHS is located in University Health Services Complex- UHSC and can be contacted at (305) 348- 2401.

COUNSELING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES (CAPS)

CAPS provides mental health services to students that will facilitate and enhance their personal learning, emotional well-being, and academic skills development, contributing to their success at Florida International University. CAPS is located in UHSC 270 and can be contacted at (305) 348-2277(CAPS).

FIU CAREER SERVICES

FIU's Office of Career Services offers students a range of services and activities to develop their professional skills to go beyond the classroom and into the workplace. The office is committed to helping students develop, implement and evaluate their career plans. Throughout the academic year the Office of Career Services conducts (among other activities) career fairs, professional workshops, cv and resume assistance, mock interviews, and access to their online career database. Career Services is located in PC 230 and can be reached at (305) 348-2423.

DISABILITY RESOURCE CENTER (DRC)

The DRC is a student-centered department within the Division of Student Affairs dedicated to support student learning at Florida International University. The DRC team is composed of a multidisciplinary team of professionals, who affirm that disabilities intersect with every facet of the university's values, mission and vision. The DRC's responsibility is to promote accessibility while facilitating awareness through partnerships, training, information-sharing and innovative

programs. The DCR is located in GC 190 and can be contacted by phone (305) 348- 3532 or email drc@fiu.edu.

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND SCHOLAR SERVICES (ISSS)

ISSS provides advising services and related assistance for international students (F-1 visa category) and exchange students and scholars (Student, Researcher, Professor, and Short-term Scholar categories). They also provide advising services to international student and scholars on immigration, legal, personal, cultural, social and financial issues. The ISSS office is located in Graham Center (GC) 355 and can be contacted at (305) 348- 2421 or isss@fiu.edu.

UNIVERSITY GRADUATE SCHOOL (UGS)

The University Graduate School (UGS) manages all graduate admissions and assumes the important role of ensuring graduate student progress and success - formation of supervisory committees, timely completion of dissertation proposals, and ultimate approval of all theses and dissertations. In addition, the UGS partners with a wide variety of offices throughout the University to offer students academic and research services, and professional development opportunities, to enhance their graduate experience. The UGS also administers fellowships, teaching assistantships, and other financial assistance to graduate students. For graduate <u>admissions</u> please contact (305) 348- 7442 or <u>ugs@fiu.edu</u>. For all other inquiries please contact (305) 348- 2455 or <u>ugs@fiu.edu</u>.

MODERN LANGUAGES GRADUATE STUDENT ORGANIZATION (MLGSO)

MLGSO is one of a kind in Florida International University's Department of Modern Languages. It supports students in reaching their academic and career goals who have based their education on studying cultural languages. In a city like Miami where diversity is essential to the success of people, we hope to promote the value of language in a Global Era.

If you would like to join MLGSO or receive information about the events, contact the executive board through MLGSO OrgSync or Facebook page or visit their <u>webpage</u>.

ANNEX I:

M.A. IN SPANISH READING LIST

Literatura Peninsular

I. Edad Media, Siglos de Oro

- Manrique, Jorge. *Coplas a la muerte de su padre* (Coplas por la muerte de don Rodrigo Manrique, Maestre de Santiago)
- Ruiz, Juan (Arcipreste de Hita). Libro de Buen Amor
- Manuel, Don Juan. El conde Lucanor
- Cruz, San Juan de la. Selecciones en la antología de Elias Rivers
- León, Fray Luis de. Selecciones en la antología de Elias Rivers: "Noche serena"; "A Salinas"; "A la vida retirada"
- Anónimo. Lazarillo de Tormes
- Rojas, Fernando de. La Celestina
- Cervantes, Miguel de. El ingenioso hidalgo don Quijote de la Mancha; Novelas ejemplares
- Calderón de la Barca, Pedro. La vida es sueño
- Vega. Félix Lope de. Fuenteovejuna; Peribáñez
- Molina, Tirso de. El burlador de Sevilla

II. Siglos XVIII-XXI

- Jovellanos, Gaspar Melchor. Informe en el expediente de la Ley Agraria o Memoria en defensa de la Junta Central.
- Cadalso, José. Las cartas marruecas
- Moratín, Nicolás Fernández de. El sí de las niñas.
- Bécquer, Gustavo Adolfo. Rimas
- Castro, Rosalía de. Las orillas del Sar.
- Alas, Leopoldo (Clarín). La regenta
- Pardo Bazán. Emilia. Los pazos de Ulloa
- Pérez Galdós, Benito. Elegir una de las siguientes novelas: *Fortunata y Jacinta, Doña Perfecta* o Tristana
- Saavedra, Ángel de. (Duque de Rivas). Don Álvaro o la fuerza del sino
- Zorrilla, José. Don Juan Tenorio
- Larra, Mariano. Artículos de costumbres: "El día de difuntos de 1836"; "¿Quién es el público?"; "Vuelva usted mañana".
- Machado, Antonio. Campos de Castilla.
- García Lorca, Federico. *Romancero gitano; Poeta en Nueva York; Bodas de sangre; La casa de Bernarda* Alba
- Guillén, Jorge. Mientras el aire es nuestro.

- Jiménez, Juan Ramón. Segunda antología poética.
- Cela, Camilo José. La familia de Pascual Duarte o La colmena
- Delibes, Miguel. Cinco horas con Mario
- Laforet, Carmen. *Nada*
- Martín Gaite, Carmen. El cuarto de atrás
- Martín Santos, Luis. Tiempo de silencio
- Matute, Ana María. Primera memoria
- Rodoreda, Mercé. La plaza del diamante
- Sender, Ramón José López. Réquiem por un campesino español
- Unamuno, Miguel de. En torno al casticismo. Elegir entre las siguientes obras: Niebla, La tía Tula, Paz en la guerra o San Manuel Bueno, mártir.
- Ortega y Gasset, José. La deshumanización del arte
- Buero Vallejo, Antonio. El tragaluz
- Sastre, Alfonso. Escuadra hacia la muerte
- Valle-Inclán, Ramón del. Luces de bohemia

Literatura Hispanoamericana

I. Colonial y Siglo XIX

- Cabeza de Vaca, Álvar Núñez. *Naufragios*.
- Colón, Cristóbal. Carta a Luis de Santángel
- Cruz, Sor Juana Inés de la. "Respuesta a Sor Filotea"; "Hombres necios"; *Sonetos* ("Este que ves engaño colorido", "Este amoroso tormento", "Detente, sombra de mi bien esquivo", "Al que ingrato me deja, busco amante")
- Díaz del Castillo, Bernal. Historia verdadera de la conquista de la Nueva España (selección)
- Garcilaso de la Vega, el Inca. Comentarios reales (Primera Parte selección)
- Bello, Andrés. La agricultura de la zona tórrida
- Darío, Rubén. Azul.
- Heredia, José María de. "En el teocalli de Cholula"
- Martí, José. Versos sencillos.
- Echeverría, Esteban. El matadero
- Gamboa, Federico. Santa
- Gómez de Avellaneda, Gertrudis. Sab
- Sarmiento, Domingo Faustino. Civilización y barbarie o Vida de Juan Facundo Quiroga (selección)
- Villaverde, Cirilo. Cecilia Valdés
- Martí, José. Nuestra América
- Rodó, José Enrique. Ariel

II. Siglo XX

- Huidobro, Vicente. Altazor
- Mistral, Gabriela. Selecciones de Desolación y de Tala
- Neruda, Pablo. Residencia en la tierra; Canto general (selección)

- Paz, Octavio. Libertad bajo palabra y selección en Olivio Jiménez, Antología
- Vallejo, César. Los heraldos negros; Trilce
- Arguedas, José María. Los ríos profundos
- Asturias, Miguel Ángel. El señor Presidente
- Borges, Jorge Luis. Ficciones
- Carpentier, Alejo. Los pasos perdidos
- Cortázar, Julio. "Casa tomada", "Continuidad de los parques", "La noche boca arriba" y "Las babas del diablo"
- Fuentes, Carlos. La muerte de Artemio Cruz
- Gallegos, Rómulo. Doña Bárbara
- García Márquez, Gabriel. Cien años de soledad
- Güiraldes, Ricardo. Don Segundo Sombra
- Quiroga, Horacio. Cuentos de amor, locura y de muerte
- Rulfo, Juan. Pedro Páramo; El llano en llamas
- Vargas Llosa, Mario. La ciudad y los perros
- Dragún, Osvaldo. El amasijo
- Marqués, René. Los soles truncos
- Triana, José. La noche de los asesinos
- Usigli, Rodolfo. Corona de sombra
- Wolf, Egon. Los invasores
- Fernández Retamar, Roberto. Calibán
- Lezama Lima, José. La expresión americana
- Paz, Octavio. El laberinto de la soledad

2020-2021	Academic Calendar

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Classes Start	Monday, August 24, 2020	
Last Day to Add/Drop	Monday, August 31, 2020	
Labor Day (No Classes)	Monday, September 7, 2020	
Last Day to Drop with a DR Grade	Monday, September 21, 2020	
Last Regular Class Day	Saturday, October 10, 2020	
Deadline for Faculty to Submit Grades	Wednesday, October 14, 2020	
Grades Available for Students	Thursday, October 15, 2020	
Se	ssion B	
Classes Start	Monday, October 19, 2020	
Last Day to Add/Drop	Monday, October 26, 2020	
Veterans Day (No Classes)	Wednesday, November 11, 2020	
Last Day to Drop with a DR Grade	Monday, November 16, 2020	
Thanksgiving Day (No Classes)	Thursday, November 26, 2020	
Thanksgiving Break (No Classes)	Friday-Saturday, November 27-28, 2020	
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Deadline for Faculty to Submit Grades	Wednesday, December 16, 2020	
Grades Available for Students	Thursday, December 17, 2020	

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Last Day to Add/Drop	Thursday, December 17, 2020			
Winter Break 1 (No Classes)	Thursday, December 24, 2020			
Christmas Day (No Classes)	Friday, December 25, 2020			
Last Day to Drop with a DR Grade	Monday, December 28, 2020			
Winter Break 2 (No Classes)	Thursday, December 31, 2020			
New Year's Day (No Classes)	Friday, January 1, 2021			
Last Regular Class Day	Wednesday, January 6, 2021			
Deadline for Faculty to Submit Grades	Thursday, January 7, 2021			
Grades Available for Students	Friday, January 8, 2021			

*If a final exam is not required, classes are expected to be held during finals week

Table 2 Spring 2021 Semester	
Event	Date
Main Sess	ion (16 weeks)
Classes Start	Monday, January 11, 2021
Martin Luther King Day (No Classes)	Monday, January 18, 2021
Last Day to Add/Drop	Tuesday, January 19, 2021
Spring Break (No Classes)	Monday-Saturday, March 1-6, 2021
Last Day to Drop with a DR Grade	Monday, March 22, 2021
Last Regular Class Day	Saturday, April 24, 2021
Finals Week (Required Class Meetings)*	Monday-Saturday, April 26-May 01, 2021
Last Day of Classes and Exams	Saturday, May 01, 2021
Degree Conferral Date	Saturday, May 01, 2021
Commencement	TBA
Deadline for Faculty to Submit Grades	Wednesday, May 5, 2021
Grades Available for Students	Thursday, May 6, 2021
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Classes Start	Monday, January 11, 2021
Martin Luther King Day (No Classes)	Monday, January 18, 2021
Last Day to Add/Drop	Tuesday, January 19, 2021
Last Day to Drop with a DR Grade	Monday, February 8, 2021
Last Regular Class Day	Saturday, February 27, 2021
Deadline for Faculty to Submit Grades	Wednesday, March 3, 2021
Grades Available for Students	Thursday, March 4, 2021
Se	ssion B
Classes Start	Monday, March 8, 2021
Last Day to Add/Drop	Monday, March 15, 2021
Last Day to Drop with a DR Grade	Monday, April 5, 2021
Last Regular Class Day	Saturday, April 24, 2021
Deadline for Faculty to Submit Grades	Wednesday, May 5, 2021
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Grades Available for Students

*If a final exam is not required, classes are expected to be held during finals week

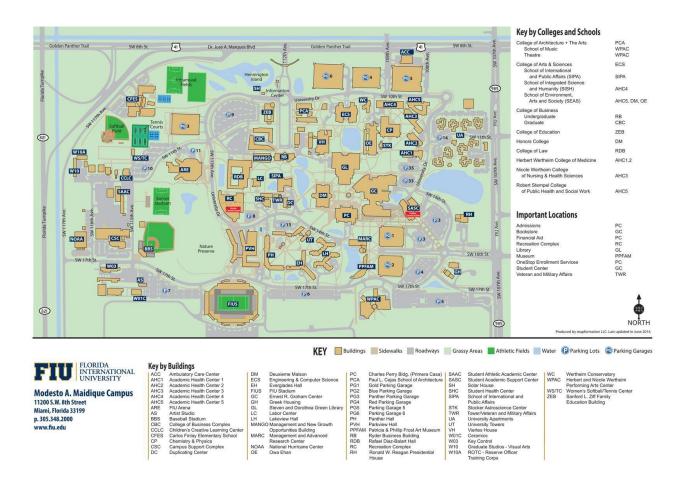
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Note: Fall 2021 Begins Monday, August 23, 2021

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RESOURCES

MMC CAMPUS MAP



*The Department of Modern Languages is located in DM 480 (fourth floor)

PARKING & TRANSPORTATION

All vehicles parking on campus must have an FIU decal. Students may park in any student space on any FIU campus, including surface lots and all garages. Student spaces are plain white/gray or unmarked bumper blocks. Please visit the **Department of Parking & Transportation in PG 5** -**Market Station** to obtain a parking decal. Make certain to take your license, vehicle registration, and a copy of your current class schedule.

Visitors who do not have a decal, may park and pay for a meter parking space. Visitor parking is located in Lot 3, Lot 4, Lot 6, Lot 8, Lot 9, Lot 33, Lot 35, and in each of the parking garages at MMC. The rates are \$1.00 per hour with a maximum daily rate of \$8.00. Individual meter spaces are located throughout both campuses at \$0.25 per 15 minutes.

In addition, FIU offers many commuting alternatives to campus, as well as within campus. Many of them are <u>free</u>! Please visit the individual pages to see more information on each program.

Metro Passes/Monthly EASY Cards are available at a discount for current students.

The **Golden Panther Express Shuttle** (**GPE**) provides transportation between MMC and BBC weekdays. There is a fee for this service, which can be paid using your FIU One Card.

The CATS Shuttle is a free service that transports between Engineering Campus (EC) and MMC

The **Panther Mover program** shuttles students and faculty/staff from the Panther Parking Garage to Primera Casa (PC) with stops along the way.

Panther Safety Tram program ensures your safety each evening and is a courtesy shuttle within campus. This service is offered at the MMC and BBC.

For more information on parking and transportation, please visit parking.fiu.edu

ONE CARD (STUDENT ID)

The One Card is the official FIU on-campus student identification card. All Florida International University students are required to carry their FIU One Card for identification purposes while on campus. It is also required to check out books at the library, use campus facilities, request/obtain official transcripts, etc.

You may obtain your Panther ID card only after you have registered for classes. You will be required to bring a valid picture ID, and a copy of your current class schedule to:

FIU One Card Office MMC: PG-1 100 11200 SW 8th Street, Miami Florida 33199 305-FIU-CARD / (305) 348-2273 Email: onecard@fiu.edu

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

All F-1 students admitted to FIU must report to the International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) Office upon arrival on campus and before registering for classes. International students:

- Must attend the mandatory International Student Orientation. Orientation is normally held on the Friday prior to the start of classes in the fall, spring, and summer A/C semesters, and on the day before classes begin in the Summer B session.
- Must register as a full-time student (9 credits) for fall and spring semesters, and for 6 credits if admitted for summer semester.
- Are allowed to register for one online course per semester.
- Must obtain medical insurance (Students without proof of medical insurance will not be able to register.) Contact University Health Services for enrollment information.
- Must present to the ISSS office an FIU I-20 or DS-2019, an I-94 card, and a valid passport.

Click here for information on applying for a Social Security Number

For more information regarding the International Student Orientation, tips on cross-cultural adjustment, and other important issues, please visit the ISSS website at isss.fiu.edu, email isss@fiu.edu, or call 305-348-2421.

LIBRARY

Most of the research tools needed to succeed at FIU are accessible through our on-campus library. The library is located in GL (Green Library), adjacent to DM. Please note that FIU students must be registered for classes in the current semester and have a current FIU One Card to borrow materials, otherwise borrowing privileges are not provided. Graduate students performing thesis and dissertation research must be registered if only for this purpose.

Loan Periods

Renewals may not exceed renewal limits listed below. For continued use after the renewal limit, materials must be returned to the library to begin the check-out cycle again.

Patron Type	Original Checkout	Additional Renewals	Renewal Limits	Overdue Charges
Graduate Students	120 days	120 days	2 renewals	Books 25 cents per day

Please click here for <u>library hours</u> and contact information.

A guide to information, resources and services in support of graduate scholarship is available here.