

ROAR In Four Orientation



**FLORIDA
MEMORIAL
UNIVERSITY**

**FRI., 15
AUGUST
2025**

WELCOME LIONS!

Welcome to the Beginning of an Incredible Journey

Our New Student Orientation Program is designed to help you start your academic adventure with confidence, meaningful connections, and a clear understanding of what lies ahead. Whether you're a new student ready to explore your potential or a parent eager to support your student's transition, this experience will introduce you to the people, resources, and opportunities that make our community special. Together, we're laying the foundation for success—inside the classroom and beyond.



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WELCOME FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to Florida Memorial University! It is my pleasure to greet you at the start of this exciting new chapter in your academic and personal journey.

At FMU, we are proud to offer a transformative educational experience rooted in excellence, integrity, and community. As you begin this journey, I encourage you to embrace every opportunity, seek out knowledge with boldness, and live out the values that define our great institution.



Mr. William McCormick
Interim President
Florida Memorial University

This year's New Student Orientation theme, "Roar in Four," is a powerful reminder of our shared commitment to student success and timely graduation. It reflects our belief that every student can achieve greatness when surrounded by a supportive environment that fosters learning, leadership, and Lion Pride.

To our students: You are now part of a legacy that spans generations. We believe in your potential and are here to guide you every step of the way.

To our parents and families: Thank you for entrusting us with your students. We are honored to be partners in their success.

Welcome to the FMU family. Together, let's make these next four years unforgettable.

With pride,
Interim President McCormick

MESSAGE FROM PROVOST HILL



Dr. Jacqueline B. Hill
Provost
Florida Memorial University

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to Florida Memorial University! It is a true pleasure to join you in celebrating the beginning of this important academic journey. At FMU, we are dedicated to cultivating an environment where students are challenged, supported, and inspired to reach their fullest potential. Our faculty and staff are here to guide you—through your studies, your personal development, and your growth as leaders and contributors to the world around you.

This year's orientation theme, "Roar in Four," reflects our commitment to student success and timely graduation. We believe in empowering every student to stay focused, make meaningful connections, and take advantage of the rich learning experiences available throughout their time here.

To our students: You are joining a proud legacy of excellence and resilience. Step boldly into this new chapter, knowing that you are never alone on the path.

To our parents and families: Thank you for your trust and partnership. We look forward to working together to support your student's success.

We're excited for all that lies ahead. Welcome to the FMU family—and let the roar begin!

Warm regards,

Provost Jacqueline B. Hill

MESSAGE FROM VP GRAHAM

Dear Students and Families,

Welcome to Florida Memorial University, South Florida's only HBCU, and a proud beacon of excellence, leadership, and legacy.

We are thrilled that you have chosen FMU as the next step in your academic and personal journey. As you enter our Lion family, you join a community that is rich in culture and dedicated to empowering you to achieve your fullest potential.

Students, we are committed to supporting your success within and beyond the classroom. Whether through leadership opportunities, student organizations, cultural events, wellness resources, or student life experiences, we are here to ensure that you have a SUPERB STUDENT EXPERIENCE.

To the families and loved ones who support our students: THANK YOU! Your encouragement, care, and trust mean everything, but it does not stop here. We view you as partners in your students' success, and we welcome you to remain engaged with our campus community.

Orientation is just the beginning of what we know will be a transformative experience. Take this time to explore, ask questions, and become part of the FMU legacy. You are now a part of our family!

Welcome Home,

Dr. Tymon M. Graham



Dr. Tymon Graham
Vice President for Student Affairs
Florida Memorial University



Join a Community Dedicated to Helping Students Succeed. Welcome to the Pride!



At Florida Memorial University, the Offices of Academic Affairs and Student Affairs recognize the vital role families play in student success. As your student begins their journey as a Lion, you become an essential part of the FMU family. **We encourage you to stay connected and informed by signing up for our family email list** to receive updates about campus events, academic progress, and important resources throughout the year. Together, we **ROAR—Respect, Ownership, Accountability, and Responsibility!**



Family Email List



Parent and Family
Resource Page

ORIENTATION OVERVIEW

Purpose of Orientation

Welcome to Florida Memorial University, where Roar in Four sets the tone for your academic journey. This year's theme reflects our bold commitment to helping every student graduate in four years—prepared, empowered, and proud. Roar in Four is more than just a timeline—it's a mindset. It encourages students to take full advantage of the opportunities FMU provides, stay focused on academic goals, and engage meaningfully in leadership, service, and campus life. Rooted in our strong sense of Lion Pride, this theme calls each student to rise to the challenge, lead with purpose, and walk boldly toward success. Together, we will support your journey from your first steps on campus to the moment you cross the stage at graduation. The purpose of orientation is to welcome new students and their families to Florida Memorial University and ensure a smooth transition into university life as we chart the course to Roar in Four. Let the roar begin!

What Students and Parents Should Expect

Students Will Gain:

- An understanding of academic expectations, degree requirements, and support services.
- Familiarity with campus culture, traditions, and student life.
- Guidance on course registration, financial aid, housing, and student conduct.
- Connections with advisors, mentors, and classmates.

Parents and Guardians Will Gain:

- Insight into the student experience at FMU.
- Information about campus safety, academic support, and communication channels.
- Resources to help support their student's success and well-being.
- Opportunities to meet university leadership and staff.

ONE STOP SHOP

LET'S GET MOVED IN

AUGUST 14, 2025

LOCATION: SMITH CONFERENCE CENTER



Welcome to Your New Home, Lion!

Get ready to settle into campus life with ease! Moving into the residence halls at Florida Memorial University is a major milestone—and we're here to make the process smooth and stress-free.

Location: Smith Conference Center

Time: 10:00 AM – 5:00 PM



The One Stop Shop is your one-stop solution to finalize everything you need for move-in day:

- Complete housing check-in
- Submit or verify required documents
- Finalize financial aid and payment arrangements
- Confirm class registration
- Get your housing assignment
- Ask questions and get help on the spot



Our goal is to ensure you're fully prepared before heading to your residence hall. Once you're done at One Stop, you're ready to move in, unpack, and start making your space your own!

We're so excited to welcome you into the Lion family. Let's make your first day on campus unforgettable!



You're Invited to the
PRESIDENT'S WELCOME DINNER
AND ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Meet and chat with President McCormick. Enjoy a delicious dinner and cool off with ice cream as you connect with President William McCormick in a warm, inviting atmosphere.

	Thurs., Aug. 14, 2025 ■ ■ 4:00 PM - 6:30 PM ■ ■
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Location: Marketplace Dining Hall

Highlights:

- Mingle with peers and university leadership
- Share your questions, hear inspiring stories, and get valuable insights directly from campus leaders.
- Kick off the academic year with good food, sweet treats, and great company.



Dress Code: Casual

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

AUGUST 15, 2025 | LOCATION: LOU RAWLS

MORNING

Time	Parents	Students
8:30 AM	Registration and Check-in	
9:00 AM	Welcome from Administration & Invocation	
9:25 AM	Roll Call FLOMO Groove	
10:00 AM	Academic Success at FMU: It Takes A Village	Academic Success at FMU: Begin with the End in Mind
10:30 AM	Health, Safety, & FERPA	Student Life & Support Services and Academic Accommodations
11:00 AM	Supporting Student Mental Health, and Academic Accommodations	From Day One to Done Right: Winning with FMU 101
11:30 AM	Financial Wellness, Scholarship Tuesdays	Slide Into Success: Blackboard & Email Hacks for Freshmen
12:00 PM	Q&A and Resource Fair	Lunch & One-Stop Shop

AFTERNOON

Time	Parents	Students
12:00 PM	Registration and Check-in	
12:30 PM	Welcome from Administration & Invocation	
12:50 PM	Roll Call FLOMO Groove	
1:00 PM	Academic Success at FMU: It Takes A Village	Academic Success at FMU: Begin with the End in Mind
1:25 PM	Health, Safety, & FERPA	Student Life & Support Services and Academic Accommodations
2:00 PM	Supporting Student Mental Health, and Academic Accommodations	From Day One to Done Right: Winning with FMU 101
1:50 PM	Financial Wellness, Scholarship Tuesdays	Slide Into Success: Blackboard & Email Hacks for Freshmen
2:15 PM	Q&A and Resource Fair	Lunch & One-Stop Shop

GET READY TO ROAR

ESSENTIAL ERRANDS + EVENING ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday, August 14, 2025

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Walmart Shuttle

Location: Robinson Circle

- Walmart Shuttles will depart from Robinson Circle throughout the day to help students pick up any essential items they may need. Each shuttle run provides students with enough time to shop before returning to campus. Exact departure and return times will be shared during Orientation check-in.

4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

President's Welcome Cookout and Ice Cream Social

Location: Marketplace Dining Hall

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Mandatory Housing Meeting Mandatory (New Students)

Location: Wellness Center

- All new residential students are required to attend this important meeting to learn about housing policies, safety procedures, community expectations, and resources available in your hall. Meet your Residence Life team and get the information you need for a successful year on campus.

Friday, August 15, 2025

2:00 PM - 4:00 PM



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Location: Robinson Circle

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2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Roar & Chill

Location: JC Sams Patio

- Kick back, relax, and connect with your fellow Lions at our welcome ice cream social. Enjoy sweet treats, cool vibes, and great conversations as you start your FMU journey!

8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

JC Sams Takeover

Location: JC Sams Student Activity Center

Saturday, August 16, 2025

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

Pop-Up Party

Location: JC Sams Patio

- Join us for a relaxing evening under the stars with a Movie on the Lawn! Bring your blanket or lawn chair and settle in on the Front Lawn for a night of good vibes and great company. This is a perfect chance to mix, mingle, and meet fellow Lions—don't miss out on the fun and free snacks!

SUSIE C. HOLLEY CHAPEL

Worship Service

**Every Sunday
1:00 PM**

**Mandatory Chapel
First Thursday of Every Month
during FMU 101**

**15845 NW 42ND AVE
MIAMI GARDENS, FL**



FMU 101



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YOUR SUCCESS IS OUR SUCCESS

FMU 101 is designed to introduce students to the academic, social, and cultural environment of Florida Memorial University. This course supports students in their personal and professional development while equipping them with the tools and resources needed to thrive throughout their college journey.

MANDATORY SESSIONS

FMU Legacy

Campus Ministry

Career Services

Library Orientation

Academic Advising & Tutoring



**FMU
PRIDE:**

where we
Roar in FOUR

WHAT TYPE OF COLLEGE DROP-OFF PARENT ARE YOU?



1. The Ghost & Go

Drops off and disappears before the first box hits the dorm floor. Blink — they're gone.

2. The Roommate Recruiter

Moves in everyone. Brings snacks, a toolkit, and unsolicited advice.

3. The Clinger

Still sitting on the bed. Saying goodbye... again. Possibly planning to stay overnight.

4. The Emotional Wreck

Cries in the dorm. Cries in the car. Cries in the cafeteria. We love the passion.

5. The Cool Parent

Already making game-day plans. Might join the student group chat.

6. The Logistics Officer

Clipboard. Highlighters. Labeled bins. Treats move-in like a military operation.

7. The Sneaky Stockpiler

Hides cash and care items in drawers like a sentimental Easter egg hunt.

8. The Social Media Director

Wants photos, boomerangs, and a “first day of college” TikTok.

9. The Already-on-Zillow

Making plans for the new gym/home office/craft room the moment they park.

10. The Silent Assassin

One deep hug. No words. Then vanishes. Leaves a letter under the pillow.

No matter what kind of parent or guardian you are — we see you, and we welcome you. We invite you to stay connected to your student's educational journey. Whether you're cheering from the sidelines at a football game, attending an academic event, or just checking in with a quick call or text, your involvement matters. Reach out, show up, stay engaged. This is your invitation to be part of the FMU family — because when students know they're supported, they soar.

YOUR CAMPUS CONNECTIONS

CAREER CENTER

Dr. Margarita Beckford
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Location: Lehman 107



BLACKS IN AVIATION MUSEUM

Lehman, 3rd Floor

GENESIS LAB

WHERE BOLD IDEAS BECOME BREAKTHROUGH VENTURES

Atty. Kenesha Paul
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CAREER CLOSET



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Location: Lehman 107

BABERSHOP AND SALON



PARENT & FAMILY ENGAGEMENT

FALL CONVOCATION

Date: September 4, 2025, Location: Wellness Center

- Fall Convocation is an annual, official welcoming of new students to the Academy. Convocation introduces students to the University's leaders, provides a venue for the swearing in of SGA leaders, and continues the orientation process of informing students about the customs and traditions of FMU. Students are expected to dress formally for the occasion. Convocation is just one component of the First Year Experience provided by the Centers for Academic Support & Retention.

FMU CORONATION

Date: October 10, 2025, Location: Lou Rawls

- Coronation is a royal ceremony held in October to celebrate the outstanding achievements of one Florida Memorial student and her court of campus kings and queens.

HOMECOMING

Date: October 12-18, 2025, Location: Various Locations

- Coronation is a ceremonial event that formally crowns and celebrates the new student leaders—such as Mister and Miss FMU—highlighting tradition, excellence, and campus pride at Florida Memorial University.

FOUNDER'S DAY CONVOCATION

Date: March 19, 2026, Location: Chapel

- Founders' Day Convocation is an annual tribute to the University's luminary pioneers and historic achievements. The University's highest awards, the Nathan W. Collier Meritorious Service Award, and the Sarah A. Blocker Meritorious Service Award, are bestowed upon two deserving students.

HONORS AND AWARDS DAY

Date: April 7, 2026, Location: Lou Rawls

- Honors and Awards Day is an annual event celebrating students for their academic excellence and efforts in the classroom.

BACCALAUREATE

Date: May 7, 2026, Location: Chapel

- Baccalaureate is a religious observance rooted in the University's Baptist foundation. This religious observance precedes the annual Commencement ceremony each May, bringing graduates, their families, and friends together in worship, song, and prayer.

COMMENCEMENT

Date: May 9, 2026, Location: Clocktower

- Commencement is the ceremony celebrating students' graduation.





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SCHOLARSHIP & TUESDAYS

POWERED BY THE
UNITED NEGRO
COLLEGE FUND

Florida Memorial University has launched Scholarship Tuesdays powered by the United Negro College Fund.

There are four scholarship application sites throughout campus, and these general scholarships are open to all undergraduate students pursuing academic excellence here at FMU from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the following locations:

- Writing Lab, Sarah Blocker Building, Room 101
- Math Lab, Sarah Blocker Building, Room 102
- Testing Lab, Sarah Blocker Building, Room 105
- Student Career Center, William Lehman Aviation Building, Room 107

All undergraduate students are encouraged to take full advantage of these scholarship opportunities.

APPLY NOW at the link below or scan the QR Code
<https://opportunities.uncf.org/s/pre-login-welcome-page>



FLORIDA MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY

2025 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE



AWAY



HOME

*ALL HOME GAMES ARE HELD AT BETTY T. FERGUSON STADIUM *



AUG. 30
AT REINHARDT

Waleska, Ga. Ken White Field 12 P.M.



SEPT. 6
AT CLARK ATLANTA

Atlanta, Ga. CAU Panther Stadium 3 P.M.



SEPT. 27
VS CUMBERLAND

Miami Gardens, Fla. 12 P.M.



OCT. 4
AT SOUTHEASTERN

Lakeland, Fla. Victory Field 7 P.M.



OCT. 11
VS KEISER

Miami Gardens, Fla. 12 P.M.



OCT. 18 **HOMECOMING**
VS WARNER

Miami Gardens, Fla. 12 P.M.



OCT. 25
AT THOMAS

Thomasville, Ga. 1 P.M.



NOV. 1
VS WEBBER

Miami Gardens, Fla. 12 P.M.



NOV. 8
AT AVE MARIA

Ave Maria, Fla. Gyrene Field 7 P.M.



NOV. 15
AT ST. THOMAS

Miami Gardens, Fla. AutoNation Field 12 P.M.



PURCHASE YOUR TICKETS AT
WWW.FMUATHLETICS.COM



HEY LIONS, IT'S OUR TIME...

SAVE THE DATE

FMU HOMECOMING WEEK 2025

OCTOBER 12-18, 2025



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CONTACT INFO & QUICK LINKS



Dean of Students

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Center for Academic Resources and Support (CARS)

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Location: Sarah A. Blocker Hall, Room 111

Financial Aid Office

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Location: Student Services Building, Room 150

Registrar's Office

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Location: Student Services Building, Room 139

Student Accounts / Bursar's Office

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Location: Student Services Building

Housing & Residence Life

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Student Life

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Jessie Trice Community Health Center

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Location LLC-3

University Counseling Services

Dr. Sandra Degerville

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Campus Safety & Security

Chief Robert Richardson

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Career Services & Workforce Development

Dr. Margarita Beckford

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Athletics Department

Mrs. Chandra Dorsey-Felton

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Website: FMU Athletics

Where Is Your Class



BUILDING CODES

CODE	BUILDING
FFJUF	FIU/FMU Joint Use Facility
WLAC	William Lehman Aviation Center
RNSB	M. Athalie Range Natural Science Building
SABH	Sarah A. Blocker Hall
JAJHB	J. Weldon & J. R. Johnson Humanities Building



Campus Map

Use this guide to match your course location codes with campus buildings.



FLORIDA MEMORIAL UNIVERSITY CAMPUS MAP

CAMPUS DIRECTORY		
BUILDING USE TYPE	MARK	NO. OF STORIES
EDUCATIONAL (CLASS ROOM)	1 WILLIAM LEMMAN AVIATION CENTER	3
	2 JAMES W. LEMMAN AVIATION CENTER	1
	3 MUSIC ANNEX	1
	4 SASHA A. BLOCKER HALL (Center for Academic Support & Success)	2
	5 FUMORI COOPERATIVE USE BUILDING	2
	6 M. ATHALE NANGE SCIENCE BUILDING	2
	7 FUTURE SCIENCE ANNEX	2
	8-9 FUTURE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY CLASSROOM BUILDING	2
	10 FUTURE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY CLASSROOM BUILDING	2
	11 FUTURE MULTI-DISCIPLINARY CLASSROOM BUILDING	2
RESIDENTIAL (DORMITORIES)	12 J.T. BROWN RESIDENCE HALL	3
	13 A.B. COLEMAN JR. RESIDENCE HALL	3
	14 R. BAY GOODIE RESIDENCE HALL	1
	15 WILIE C. ROBINSON	1
	16 LIVING & LEARNING RESIDENCE HALL #1	3
	17 LIVING & LEARNING RESIDENCE HALL #2 (University Health Center)	3
	18 LIVING & LEARNING RESIDENCE HALL #3	3
	19 LIVING & LEARNING RESIDENCE HALL #4	3
	20 J.C. DAVIS STUDENT ACTIVITY CENTER (Business & Student Development Center)	1
	21 J.C. DAVIS STUDENT ACTIVITY CENTER (Business & Student Development Center)	1
EDUCATIONAL (STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICES)	22 ANDREW ANDERSON & DONALD BACON SERVICE CENTER	1
	23 STUDENT SERVICE BUILDING (Student Admission, Transfer, Fresh Adm. Res. Ltd.)	1
	24 DENNY'S PROGRAM	1
	25 CHURCH RELATIONS (Institutional Advancement)	1
	26 ALUMNI AFFAIRS (Institutional Advancement)	1
	27 HUMAN RESOURCES / BUDGET & CASH MANAGEMENT	1
	28 NORTHWEST ENTRANCE (Transponder only & Visitor)	1
	29 ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT	1
	30 SOUTHWEST ENTRANCE (Faculty & Staff only)	1
	31 NORTHEAST ENTRANCE (Special Events only)	1
EDUCATIONAL (LIBRARY)	32 SUE C. HOLLY CHAPEL	1
	33 FUTURE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING	2
	34 NATHAN W. COLLIER LIBRARY	2
	35 LOU SAWLS CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS	1
	36 THE PERFORMING ARTS CENTER (Theater, Music, Dance, Film, Video)	1
	37 COMMERCE CENTER (Retail, Dining, Shopping)	1
	38 A. CHESTER ROBINSON ATHLETIC CENTER	1
	39 FUTURE MULTIPROPOSE ARENA & WELLNESS EDUCATION CENTER	2
	40 HARRY T. MOORE BASEBALL FIELD	N/A
	41 FUTURE 4 STORY PARKING GARAGE W/ 2	4
PARKING GARAGE	42 COLEMAN - WESTFALL PHYSICAL PLANT	1
	43 CENTRAL ENERGY PLANT	1

PARKING AREAS

- A PARKING SPACES - 430
- B PARKING SPACES - 92
- C PARKING SPACES - 11
- D PARKING SPACES - 89
- E PARKING SPACES - 95
- F PARKING SPACES - 49
- G FUTURE PARKING SPACES - 98
- H PARKING SPACES - 182
- I PARKING SPACES - 189

LEGEND

- PROPERTY LINE
- WATERLINE
- 6' HIGH CHAIN LINK FENCE
- 6' HIGH IRON FENCE
- PEDESTRIAN CROSSING
- SEWER
- BUS STOP
- EXISTING FIRE HYDRANT
- EXIST. LANDSCAPE AREA TREESHEDGES
- NEW LANDSCAPE AREA TREESHEDGES (REFER TO ARCHITECTURAL SITE PLAN)

