

# <u>University of North Florida</u> Exchange Program Fact Sheet

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#### **About UNF**

Our University	UNF was founded in 1972, and is 1 of 12 state universities in Florida, with a population of about 16,000 students. It is a medium-sized institution that prides itself on individualized attention, small classroom sizes, and transformational learning experiences. UNF is a high-caliber education destination and a great place to study, live, and thrive. UNF was ranked "Best in the Southeast by the Princeton Review for the 8th consecutive year and "Best Regional University" by US News & World Report for the 6th consecutive year.
Our campus	Nestled within 1,400 acres of lush natural surroundings, UNF campus is a quiet retreat with over 500 acres of nature preserves, and is located just 7 miles from Jacksonville Beach and the Atlantic Ocean. It is the on-campus home to about 4,000 of the 16,000 students who attend class here. UNF is a nationally-ranked, public university where students enjoy a multitude of on-campus activities including over 200 student clubs, a Student Wellness Complex (gym), nature trails, canoeing, zip-lining, concerts, comedy shows, and more.
Our city	Jacksonville is located in the northeast corner of Florida, situated on the St. John's River and the Atlantic Ocean. It is the largest continental city in the United States by area. It has an estimated population of 1.3 million people. With a subtropical climate, there are many nice days to enjoy all that the area offers. Winter temperatures average 47-64 F (8.1-18 C) and summer temperatures average 74-90 F (23.6-32.2 C).
Getting here	Jacksonville is served by several major airlines through the Jacksonville International Airport (JAX). Most international travelers, however, first arrive to the U.S. through Atlanta, Miami, or New York City and have connecting flights to Jacksonville. There are multiple cities in the U.S. named Jacksonville, so be sure to check for the airport code JAX.
Getting around	Jacksonville offers a city bus service for a small fee, however, most of our students use services like Uber or Lyft to move around the city. Additionally, UNF has the "Osprey Connector", the university's shuttle system, which provides convenient (free) transportation around campus and to the <a href="St. Johns Town Center">St. Johns Town Center</a> .
	Jacksonville is a 40-minute drive from <u>St. Augustine</u> , Florida, a city rich in history as the oldest European-settled city in North America dating from the 1500's, and close to cities like Orlando, Miami, New Orleans, Atlanta, Asheville, and Savannah. Jacksonville's location makes it ideal for visiting other cities in Florida, Georgia, and the United States.

### **Contact Information:**

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International Center Website	http://www.unf.edu/intlctr/
Contact Person	Gage Ziehmn, International Admissions Coordinator
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### **Academic Calendar**

Application Deadline for Fall 2018	May 1, 2018
Fall 2018 Course Schedule Posts	March 30, 2018
Registration for Fall 2018	Begins April 6, 2018 – Send course request forms to Gage as soon as possible
First Day of Fall 2018 Class	August 20, 2018
Application Deadline for Spring 2019	October 1, 2019
Fall 2018 Term Ends	December 7, 2018
Registration for Spring, 2019	Begins November 13, 2018 – Send course request forms to Gage prior to this date or as soon as possible
First Day of Spring 2019 Class	January 7, 2019
Spring 2019 Term Ends	April 26, 2019

## Admission

Exchange Student Application	Fall – May 1	
Form Deadlines	Spring – October 1	
English Language Proficiency Requirement	<ul> <li>Official letter (provided by International Office staff, faculty member) stating English proficiency to be successful in classes at UNF</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>TOEFL score of 500 paper-based (61 internet based), or 550 paper-based (79 internet based) for graduate students in the Coggin College of Business.</li> </ul>	
	6.5 IELTS OR 3 AP-IEL	
	<ul> <li>SAT verbal 440; rSAT Writing 500; ACT Verbal 17, Reading 18</li> </ul>	
Application	Exchange Student Application Form – provided by Gage	
Submit with UNF Application	Academic transcript	
	English Language Proficiency	
	<ul> <li>Letter from partner university attesting the student is in good academic standing</li> </ul>	

Additional Documents	Immunization Form	
	<ul> <li>(If opting for alternative health insurance) Alternative</li> <li>International Insurance Evaluation Form</li> </ul>	
	Course Request Form	
Duration of Stay	One semester or one academic year (2 semesters)	

## **Major and Course Registration**

Level of Study	Undergraduate (UG), Graduate (GR)
Available Areas	University wide
Semester Course Load	12 credits (UG), 9 credits (GR) credit hour minimum requirement
Academic Advising	Via International Center (Gage), academic department, and home university
	Please note that all courses requested must be accepted and approved by a UNF Academic Advisor. Course approvals will be given to students who show that they have met all the course prerequisites. For example, if a student wishes to take "Intermediate Macroeconomics" and the prerequisite is "Business Statistics," if they cannot show that they have completed and passed Business Statistics, they will not be approved to register for the class; so please pay close attention to the prerequisites for each course. Unfortunately, there is no guarantee a course will be offered or that a student can be registered for a course. Essentially, academic advisors have to evaluate course approvals on an individual basis.
Course Descriptions & Schedule	http://www.unf.edu/catalog/

### Accommodations

On-Campus housing	In order to sign up for UNF on-campus housing, students will need to have a UNF Student I.D. Number. This number will be given to the student by the International Center. The sooner a student submits their online housing contract, the better, because rooms fill up fast.
	More information on how to submit your online housing application, please go to: <a href="http://www.unf.edu/housing/Contract.aspx">http://www.unf.edu/housing/Contract.aspx</a> Information on housing prices can be found at: <a href="http://www.unf.edu/housing/Financial.aspx">http://www.unf.edu/housing/Financial.aspx</a> Information about room layouts please go to: <a href="http://www.unf.edu/housing/halls/Halls.aspx">http://www.unf.edu/housing/halls/Halls.aspx</a>
	*Please note Housing payment deadlines are typically before a student's arrival to UNF

Types and Fees, per semester	Shared occupancy bedroom & bath from \$2,900 to
	Single occupancy bedroom & bath \$5,000
Housing Application deadline	Fall – July priority deadline
	Spring – March 9 priority deadline
	Housing preference is given based on submission date of
	application/contract. Applications open in mid-January.
Housing Website	https://www.unf.edu/housing/
Application	http://www.unf.edu/housing/Contract.aspx
Holiday Stays	By special arrangement with the Housing department
Home Stays	Not available

### **Visa Procedures**

Immigrations Requirements	<ul> <li>Copy of Passport</li> <li>Affidavit of Financial Support and Bank Certification</li> </ul>	
	English Proficiency Letter	
Visa Requirements	J-1 Visa for Exchange Students	
Visa Procedure	International Center will issue a DS-2019 document after receipt of	
	required documents, and then the student will use the DS-2019 to	
	apply for the J-1 Visa at the US Embassy or Consulate	
Work Eligibility	Yes, up to 20 hours per week on campus	
Internship Opportunities	Students are eligible to engage in an internship, following the	
	completion of exchange program, for a length of time that does not	
	exceed 18 months or the period of full course of study in the United	
	States, whichever is less.	
Insurance Requirement	Required by US Dept. of State	
	Students may either purchase UNF Health Insurance online via their MyWings account, or submit documentation proving alternative health insurance that meets designated standards.	
	For detailed questions regarding insurance requirements, refer to the UNF Medical Compliance Office <a href="https://www.unf.edu/catalog/admissions/all-attraction.com/">https://www.unf.edu/catalog/admissions/all-attraction.com/</a>	
Certification of Immunization	students/Medical Compliance/	
Certification of immunization	Vaccinations required. Please refer to the Medical Compliance Immunization Form.	

### **UNF Campus Life**

Eco Adventure	Eco Adventure offers free gear check-out for kayaks, surfboards, canoes, paddle-boarding, camping equipment, and more. Students can paddle around Lake Oneida on campus, or take them on an off-campus adventure.
	Eco Adventure partners with the International Center to arrange a special trip for international students each semester. Previous trips have included rock climbing in the mountains and paddle boarding in the ocean.
Ospreys Challenge Course	One of the most adventurous activities on campus, the Challenge Course offers three levels of zip lines and ropes to try with a group of friends. Take the challenge and fly over Lake Oneida!
Ospreys Cliff (Rock Climbing)	The Osprey Cliff is a 34 ft. indoor rock climbing wall located in the Student Wellness Complex. It allows students the chance to get a total body workout while having fun and challenging themselves mentally and physically in a safe environment.
Sporting Events	UNF has 19 NCAA Division 1 teams. All games and matches are free for students. Cheering on the UNF Ospreys Basketball team is one of the best experiences at UNF!
Market Days	Each Wednesday the Osprey Plaza is transformed into a bustling marketplace where the UNF community enjoys a wide variety of products and services from a diverse group of vendors, from fine handmade products of jewelry to artworks and delicious food from local restaurants.
Other Activities	Every semester the UNF Campus Life and Recreation Department strives to offer a variety of activities on campus like concerts, picnics, pool parties, movies, and more!