Florida International University is a vibrant, student-centered public research university, ideally located in Miami, that is Worlds Ahead in its commitment to learning, research, entrepreneurship, innovation, and creativity so that our graduates are prepared to succeed in a global market.

With a student body of nearly 50,000, we’re one of the 25 largest public universities in the nation. More than 110,000 FIU alumni live and work in South Florida.

Our colleges and schools offer more than 180 bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral programs in fields such as engineering, international relations and law. As one of South Florida’s anchor institutions, FIU has been locally and globally engaged for more than four decades finding solutions to the most challenging problems of our time.

FIU emphasizes research as a major component of its mission. The opening of the Herbert Wertheim College of Medicine in August 2009 has enhanced the university’s ability to create lasting change through its research initiatives. University Research expenditures are more than $100 million per year.

Far and away Florida’s most exciting city, Miami has been described as “intoxicatingly beautiful.” Our sunny beaches and palm-lined shores are famous around the world. Diverse Caribbean cultures provide delicious exotic cuisines, exciting Latin music, and unique art scenes throughout the city. South Beach’s Art Deco buildings and bustling nightlife are a “must see” tourist destination.

But away from the beaches and tourists, South Florida is also becoming a national hub for biomedical research. Academic institutions as well as the biomedical industry in the Miami-Dade area along with the entire State of Florida provide numerous research opportunities to enhance the learning experience and improve future employment options.

In addition to the rapid growth of biomedical research at FIU, research opportunities also exist at nearby academic institutions and biotechnology companies such as Florida Atlantic University, the University of Miami-Miller School of Medicine, Sylvester Comprehensive Cancer Center, Max Planck Florida Institute, The Scripps Research Institute Florida, and Torrey Pines Institute for Molecular Studies.

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Why Choose the PhD Program in Biomedical Sciences at FIU?

- The FIU PhD Program in Biomedical Sciences offers graduate students a distinctive opportunity to sit side-by-side with the medical students in the introductory basic sciences portion of the medical school curriculum, providing graduate students with an appreciation of the medical aspects of modern biosciences.
- Graduates from our program will have an exceptional ability to apply their research skills from bench to bedside and translate fundamental discoveries into new treatments of human diseases.
- Work in state-of-the-art facilities in the fields of Biochemistry, Cancer Biology, Cell Biology, Genetics, Immunology, Microbiology, and Infectious Diseases, Molecular Biology, and Pharmacology.
- Our faculty will train students to become biomedical scientists, preparing them for academic careers in medical research, government agencies, and the flourishing pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry.
- Collaboration with renowned faculty members from the College of Arts and Sciences, the College of Engineering and Computing, and other FIU divisions provides additional depth to the graduate student in the form of course offerings and research interests.

Financial Support

Each student admitted to our PhD program receives a stipend, tuition waiver and health insurance.

To apply to our PhD program

- A baccalaureate degree in biological, chemical, pharmaceutical, or biomedical sciences from an accredited college or university
- A minimum GPA of 3.0 (on a 4 point scale) in the last 60-credits of an accredited undergraduate degree or an earned graduate degree
- GRE scores on the Verbal Reasoning and Quantitative Reasoning sections
- Official transcripts from all colleges or universities attended
- A statement of purpose and curriculum vitae. Highlight your future goals after obtaining your PhD degree.
- Three letters of recommendation from your undergraduate or research advisors
- International graduate student applicants whose native language is not English must have a score of 80 on the TOEFL iBT or 6.5 overall on the IELTS

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Key Research Areas

- Cancer Biology
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- Immunology and HIV/AIDS
- Infectious Diseases
- Nanomedicine and nanodevices
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