

Spotlight: The Ashley Gibson Barnett Museum of Art at Florida Southern College

The Ashley Gibson Barnett Museum of Art at Florida Southern College offers visitors a unique opportunity to engage with world-class art in a campus-adjacent setting. Located just two blocks north of the College in downtown Lakeland, this Smithsonian-affiliated museum provides free admission to all, including students.



Joining us for Family Weekend? Make sure to stop by the AGB Family Festival on October 4 for a day of autumn fun and creativity! This FREE family event is taking place from 10:00am-2:00pm and designed for visitors of all ages, with engaging activities throughout the Museum. While you're there, make sure to check out the *Frank Lloyd Wright: College of Tomorrow* exhibition to discover how America's most celebrated architect spent two decades designing and imagining a campus of the future.

[Learn more about the AGB](#)



Fiat Lux Fall 2025 Registration

Deadline to register is November 3 at 11:59pm

Please encourage your students to present their research or creative projects at Fiat Lux on Wednesday, November 19 from 11:00am-1:00pm. Research or creative projects can be individual or group.

Please plan to join us in the Carole and Marcus Weinstein Computer Sciences Center Auditorium for our Opening Remarks starting at 11:00am.

Registration closes at 11:59pm on November 3. Students need a title and abstract, but their project does not need to be complete to register. Students may present an oral presentation or creative work. The oral presentation or creative work should be 10-12 minutes long with 3-5 minutes at the end for questions from the audience.

Students may contact Dr. Carrie Ann Hall (chall2@fلسouthern.edu) for more information.

Airport Shuttles

Parents and students often ask for information regarding The Office of Campus Safety's Airport Shuttle. Transportation to and from Orlando International Airport (MCO) and Tampa International Airport (TPA) is available to students who register in advance. Click

the button below to learn more.

[Airport shuttles](#)

Prepare Here, Succeed Anywhere – Career Success at FSC!

Florida Southern College is committed to engaged learning, and Career Exploration is a key part of that experience. Throughout the year, Career Services will host a variety of events designed to connect students with employers and expand professional opportunities. Coming up October 29th from 11am-2pm is a Career, Internship, and Graduate School Expo, in the Jenkins Field House. Attending employers include Publix, Geico, and Lakeland Regional Health.



On-going events include an Employability Skills Series held in a virtual format every Wednesday from 9:00-9:30am. Career Services also offers workshops on MCAT practice, GAP year, P3 info sessions, and much more.

Be sure to follow us (and make sure your student is following us) on Instagram @fsc_careerservices and LinkedIn at Florida Southern Career Services, for updates and internship opportunities.



Care Packages

Our Mocs Love Care Package site makes sending care packages for any occasion a cinch. And there's no better way to say thinking-of-you than with a package delivered directly to your student in their residence hall.

[Send a Care Package](#)

Planning to Send Mail to Your Student?

This is the address and format to use:

Student Name
Mailbox #
111 Lake Hollingsworth Dr.
Lakeland, FL 33801

Community Living Announcements

Resident Advisor Applications Now Open

2026-27 Resident Advisor Applications are now available to students on Engage and will be accepted through December 12th at 5:00 pm.

[Apply here](#)

Housing During Thanksgiving Break

Students may remain on campus for Thanksgiving Break (November 26th through 28th); however, meal plans are not active during this time. The campus will have limited dining facilities open during Thanksgiving break. Please encourage your student to stop by any dining location to learn more about hours of operation, if they plan to stay over Thanksgiving.

Residence Hall Association

A new initiative this year is our Resident Hall Association (RHA). This association gives students a voice in shaping the on-campus experience at Florida Southern. Serving on the RHA Executive Board is a chance to lead, plan campus-wide programs, advocate for residents, and build leadership skills. Community Living is looking for six passionate student leaders to step into executive roles and make an impact on the residential community. If your student is interested, please direct them to fill out the Interest Form below.

Interest form

Worship Shuttle

This fall, the Chaplain's Office and the Office of Campus Safety are partnering to make it easier than ever before to connect with local churches for worship on Sunday mornings! The new Sunday Worship Shuttle provides students with the opportunity to connect with 1 of 4 churches in the Lakeland community.

Shuttle service will be provided by the Office of Campus Safety to each church at the times listed below and return service within 20 minutes after worship ends at each congregation. Shuttles depart from and return to the ROTC Bus Loop every Sunday, providing transportation to the following churches:

Worship Shuttle Schedule

Resurrection Catholic Church - Bus departs at 10 AM, mass begins at 10:30 AM

First United Methodist Church – Bus departs at 10:45 AM, traditional & modern worship services begin at 11 AM.

Access Church - Bus departs at 11:30 AM, worship begins at 12 PM

Grace City - Bus departs at 12 PM, worship begins at 12:30 PM

How Your Student Can Get Involved

Is your Moc interested in meeting like-minded people, exploring new interests, or taking part in off-campus adventures?

- **Mocs Weekly:** An email highlighting upcoming events is delivered to students' (and parents') inboxes each week.
- **Engage and CORQ:** When students log into [Engage](#), they can cull through over 150 clubs and organizations, as well as governing student leadership entities, to find open meetings, programs, and events. CORQ is the phone-app version of Engage. If your Moc wants to start a club or organization, they can stop by the Carlisle Rogers Building and speak to staff in our Center for Student Involvement (CSI) for more information.
- **Discover Florida:** FSC's Center for Student Involvement and Wellness Center collaborate to offer unique trips around the state each semester. These trips are either free or discounted, and transportation is included. Check out the [Discover Florida page](#) on the Florida Southern website for details, and contact Ryan Prince

at rprince@flsouthern.edu with questions.

- **Flyers, Posters, and Screens:** Campus eateries, buildings, and residences offer a mixture of old school posters and digital screens with upcoming event and program posts.
- **Festival of Fine Arts:** An incredible array of performing and visual arts events are available to FSC students for free, through [The Festival of Fine Arts](#).
- **Visit the AGB:** [The AGB](#) (Ashley Gibson Barnett Museum of Art) offers free admission to fine arts exhibitions, films, and tours.
- **The Student Life Building (Carlisle Rogers):** Student Involvement Consultants are available to help guide your Moc to the right club, organization, or program. Please encourage your Moc to stop by Monday - Friday from 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM.



2025-2026 Student Life Convocation Series

We're excited to share the 2025–2026 Convocation Series—an engaging lineup of events designed to bring our community together throughout the academic year. **All sessions are mandatory and will take place during the Convocation hour, 10:50 AM to 11:50 AM** on the following Wednesdays in either Branscomb Auditorium or the Jenkins Field House.

- October 8, 2025: Health & Wellness
- November 12, 2025: Kindness Week
- December 10, 2025: Christmas Gala Preview
- January 14, 2026: MLK Day of Service
- February 11, 2026: Celebrating Athletic Excellence
- March 13, 2026: Founders Day Convocation during Homecoming Week
- April 8, 2026: Student Life Awards

Students graduating in the same semester as a convocation or those enrolled in regularly scheduled classes at the time of the event, such as for clinicals or practicums, will be excused.



**STUDENT LIFE
CONVOCATION
SERIES**
AT FLORIDA SOUTHERN COLLEGE

The Citrus Connection

Does your student know that The Citrus Connection is now offering special late-night shuttles to the downtown area for FSC students?

LATE-NIGHT SHUTTLES

WHAT?

Free Lakeland
Golf Cart Shuttles

WHEN?

Fridays & Saturdays
4:00pm-2:00am

WHY?

To conveniently transport students
downtown and back to campus

WHERE?

FSC Stops:

- ROTC Loop
- FLW Visitor Center
- Lake Morton
- Star Apartments

Lakeland Stops:

- The Joinery
- Rec Room
- Lemon Street
- RP Funding Center



NOTES:

- Full routes and schedules are available by searching Citrus Connection The Squeeze Routes online
- Shuttles are identifiable by a green LED strip underneath and the Citrus Connection logo
- Enclosed shuttle buses will be used during inclement weather or in sub-55°F temperatures

REMINDERS

Important Upcoming Dates

- October 3-5 Family Weekend at Florida Southern College
- October 20-24 Fall Break (No Classes)
- November 26-28 Thanksgiving Break (No Classes)
- December 12 Fall-term Classes End
- December 15-17 Final Exams
- December 18, 1:00 PM, Residential Communities Close
- December 20 Mid-Year Commencement, Christmas Holidays Begin
- January 6 Classes begin at 8:00 A.M.
- January 19 Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday, No Classes
- March 2 – 6 Spring Break (No Classes)

2025-2026 Academic Calendar

Do You Know?

- Parents have access to the public side of [Engage](#), the site students and student organizations use to share upcoming campus events and engagement opportunities. Please encourage your student to get involved on campus!
- On the [Parents and Families page](#) of the FSC website, there is a Submit a Question

button, should you have any questions for FSC staff.

- Parents will receive Mocs Weekly, the same email sent to students at the start of each week, with important reminders and upcoming events.
- FSC's email policy requires Faculty and Staff to contact students through their Mocs Email account, rather than personal email addresses such as Gmail. Please encourage your student to check their Mocs email.

RESOURCES

DINING ON CAMPUS

Our venues offer everything from home-style meals to healthful on-the-go options, keeping our Mocs happy and healthy.

[Menus](#)

ACADEMIC CALENDAR

For upcoming important dates, please access the academic calendar.

[Calendar](#)

EMERGENCIES

If weather causes cancellations, closings, or other school-related emergencies, we will alert the community via the text message system.

[Opt in Here](#)

[Parent & Family Page](#)

Florida Southern has a page for parents and family members.

[Counseling Services](#)

Florida Southern offers free, confidential, individual counseling and support groups.

[Student Health Center](#)

In partnership with Lakeland Regional Health, FSC provides quality, accessible health care. Walk-ins are welcome.

[Student Accounts](#)

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[Center for Student Success](#)

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To see updates & reminders throughout the week, follow our [Parent Facebook page](#).



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