



# First Year Experience

# Orientation

Spring 2025 FTIC  
December 9-10 Student Schedule



Time:	Session:	Description:
10:00am-10:30am	<b>Orientation Check-In</b> Student Union <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i>	Welcome to UCF! Let's start your Orientation with some excitement! Students and families will check-in the Pegasus Ballroom of the Student Union.
10:30am-10:45am	<b>Welcome to UCF!</b> Student Union <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i>	The official start of UCF Orientation! We will be discussing what to expect for the day and sharing some helpful advice for making the most of your experience. Get excited!
11:00am-12:00pm	<b>Campus Tours</b> <i>Various Locations</i>	Time to get to know campus and each other! Campus Tours will be done with your Orientation team and led by your Orientation Leader. While learning campus, you'll also participate in activities and discussions to get to know your fellow team members and start building connections to peers at UCF.
12:00pm-1:15pm	<b>Student Lunch / Knight Talk #1: Transitioning to UCF</b> 63 South Dining Hall or Student Union <i>Various Rooms</i>	This Knight Talk (a small group with your Orientation Leader) will be an introduction into what it means to be a Knight! Learn about what the transition from high school to the college setting entails and what to expect from your UCF experience. <i>Please note: lunch and Knight Talk #1 will be in rotations; some teams will eat lunch first, then have Knight Talk #1, and some groups will have Knight Talk #1, then have lunch. Your Orientation Leader will tell you what your team has scheduled and where to go—don't worry!</i>
1:30pm-2:00pm	<b>Charge On to Success</b> Student Union <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i>	Learn more about how you can succeed academically while at UCF. This presentation will discuss success strategies and academic support programs and resources.
2:00pm-2:20pm	<b>Knight Talk #2: Well-Being at UCF</b> Student Union <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i>	Participate in a team discussion and group activity to learn how UCF is committed to developing student well-being through a variety of health and wellness resources that support student success.
2:30pm-3:20pm	<b>Knight to Knight: Connecting On Campus</b> Student Union <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i>	Students who get involved on campus and make connections are more successful! Learn how to prepare yourself for the transition to college while making some friends who share common interests as you. This session will be tailored to you based on your interests!

<p><b>3:20pm–3:50pm</b></p>	<p><b>Knight Talk #3: Making the Knight Choice</b>  Student Union  <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Integrity, scholarship, community, creativity, and excellence are the core values that guide our conduct, performance, and decisions at UCF. During this session, we will dive into how to live these values on the daily and always make the KNIGHT choice. Get ready for some deep discussions!</p>
<p><b>4:00pm–4:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Living the Knight Life</b>  Student Union  <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Want to learn more about being a Knight from key campus resources? Rejoin your families or guests to hear from the UCF Campus Store, Dining Services, FAIRWINDS Credit Union, Parking &amp; Transportation Services, and Student Neighborhood Relations to learn how they support and involve Knights.</p>
<p><b>4:30pm–5:00pm</b></p>	<p><b>Money Matters</b>  Student Union  <i>Pegasus Ballroom</i></p>	<p>Learn more about paying tuition and fees, Florida Pre-Paid and other third-party payments, and the financial aid available and resources to assist you at UCF. This presentation will be presented by Student Account Services and Student Financial Assistance.</p>

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*\*Meals provided with Orientation reservation: Day 1 (lunch), Day 2 (lunch)*

## Day 2:

10:00am–10:30am

### Spirit & Traditions

Student Union  
*Pegasus Ballroom*

Go Knights! Charge On! Join Orientation Leaders to learn about UCF traditions and all the ways to be a spirited and involved Knight and Knight family member.

10:30am–11:00am

### Academic Overview

Student Union  
*Pegasus Ballroom*

This session will introduce students and families to the Academic Success Coaching model and how it is structured at UCF, in addition to helping you understand how to access important policies and academic information in the UCF Undergraduate Catalog. We'll also share valuable tips for academic success in your first semester at UCF.

11:00am–11:10am

### Dismissal to Academic Colleges

Student Union  
*Pegasus Ballroom*

Before you head to your academic college, we will briefly review action items you'll need to complete once there and then we'll then leave in small groups per academic college.

11:15am–12:45pm

### Academic Success Coaching

*Various Locations*

During a presentation from your respective academic college and Academic Success Coaches, you will learn more about your college and specific requirements, services, and expectations related to your academic program. *Please note: families and guests are unable to attend Academic Success Coaching.*

1:00pm–2:00pm

### Student Lunch/ Knight Talk #4: What's Next

Student Union  
*Key West Ballroom  
(2nd floor; Room 218),  
Garden Key Meeting Room  
(2nd floor; Room 221),  
or Cape Florida Ballroom  
(3rd floor; Room 316)*

Your last Knight Talk with your Orientation Leader and Orientation team! This discussion will review what you need to know following Orientation and will wrap-up with final action items before Course Registration.

*Please note: lunch and Knight Talk #4 will be in rotations; some teams will eat lunch first, then have Knight Talk #4, and some groups will have Knight Talk #4, then have lunch. Your Orientation Leader will tell you what your team has scheduled and where to go—don't worry!*

2:00pm

### Closing & Dismissal to Academic Colleges

Student Union  
*Key West Ballroom  
(2nd floor; Room 218),  
Garden Key Meeting Room  
(2nd floor; Room 221),  
or Cape Florida Ballroom  
(3rd floor; Room 316)*

What should you be thinking about following Orientation? We can help! You'll hear next steps and how to stay connected to First Year Experience before we end our Orientation program. We'll then leave in small groups per academic college to go to Course Registration.

<p><b>2:30pm-4:30pm</b></p>	<p><b>Course Registration &amp; Orientation Check-Out</b> <i>Various Locations</i></p>	<p>Follow an Orientation Leader back to your academic college for course registration. Time to register for those courses! Once done registering, you will take the official Orientation Checkout Survey in order to complete your full Orientation requirements. <i>Please note: families and guests are unable to attend advising and course registration.</i></p>
<p><b>2:45pm-4:45pm</b></p>	<p><b>Student T-Shirt Pick-Up</b> Student Union <i>Pegasus Ballroom Pre-Function</i></p>	<p>The best way to end Orientation: a t-shirt! Come get the official Orientation T-shirt, and also learn about how to become an Orientation Leader at UCF. You're officially a Knight now!</p>
<p><b>2:45pm-4:45pm</b></p>	<p><b>Resource and Registered Student Organization (RSO) Fair</b> Student Union <i>First Floor</i></p>	<p>This is a great opportunity for you and your family to learn about UCF resources, services, and Registered Student Organizations (RSOs). Meet with representatives from various departments to gather information about resources and interact directly with current students from various RSOs to learn about involvement opportunities on campus.</p>
<p><b>2:45pm-4:45pm</b></p>	<p><b>Veteran/Veteran Dependent Verification</b> Office of Military and Veteran Student Success <i>(Addition Financial Arena 4210 E Plaza Dr)</i></p>	<p><b>Veterans/Veteran Dependents and their families only:</b> Whenever you are done with registering for courses, please report to the Military and Veteran Success Center where staff will review the verification of enrollment process and certify your semester benefits information to the Department of Veterans Affairs. MVSC will email you ahead of time with the documents you will be required to bring. There will also be additional resources within the MVSC spaces to provide information on peer-to-peer support, Student Veterans of America, and other programs offered at UCF specifically for you.</p>
<p><b>3:20pm-3:50pm</b></p>	<p><b>Optional Financial Q&amp;A Meeting</b> Student Union <i>Key West Ballroom (2nd floor; Room 218)</i></p>	<p>Still have questions about financial aid, scholarships, or how paying tuition works at UCF? We got you covered! Come ask our experts from Student Financial Assistance and Student Account Services!</p>

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