## **GRADUATE CATALOG**

## A Message from Our Dean

We welcome you to explore the many offerings of our graduate programs at the University of Florida. The reputation of a research university is, in large part, measured not only by the excellence of its graduate faculty and graduate students but, importantly, by the quality of its academic graduate programs. Through its chosen graduate faculty members, the University of Florida offers graduate programs of the highest quality.

Our catalog is intended to provide information and resources to those interested in graduate education programs at the University of Florida. Our catalog is for our current students as well to assist them to make the best decisions for maintaining and continuing their academic progress while on the way to their professional and personal goals.

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#### **Contact the Graduate school**

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# **Research and Academic Offerings**

The University of Florida Graduate School (https://grad.ufl.edu/) offers research opportunities in a variety of fields. In collaboration with UF's Office of Research (http://research.ufl.edu), our many colleges and departments (http://gradcatalog.ufl.edu/graduate/collegesdepartments/) offer numerous majors alongside the various Centers, Institutes, and Other Research Facilities (https://research.ufl.edu/ about/centers-and-institutes.html) and interdisciplinary offerings available to the graduate students here at UF. Explore the many services provided to our graduate students by the Graduate School and other student-oriented service units by visiting the Student Services (https:// gradcatalog.ufl.edu/graduate/student-services/) section of this catalog. Additionally, the University of Florida Libraries and the University Press of Florida offer extensive collections to guide your research. For information on these services and UF's state-of-the-art computer facilities, art galleries, performing arts centers, museums, and other student offerings, such as UF's Office of Research (http://research.ufl.edu/), see the Research Facilities and Other Campus Resources (https:// gradcatalog.ufl.edu/graduate/research-centers/) section of the catalog.

## **Accreditation**

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