ASK CHARLIE

The many changes taking place at FIU this Fall are a lot to take in. That’s why we created ASK CHARLIE, a site where you can get the information and support you need to build your Fall schedule in a way that makes the most sense for you.

Who’s Charlie?

Dr. Charlie Andrews is the Assistant Vice President for Academic and Student Affairs. His entire job is to work with various colleges and departments at FIU to make sure you get everything you need to succeed at school and beyond—and he’s taking questions! Your academic advisor is ready and willing to assist you with your fall schedule, but if you need additional assistance finalizing your courses...Ask Charlie!
NEED MORE? ASK CHARLIE!

Fill out the form below with your questions or with a detailed description about what you need to build the best Fall 2020 class schedule for you. Charlie’s here to help.

- Panther ID*
- First name* Last name*
- FIU Email*
- Your question*
Q: How do I find courses that are being offered remotely/online or in-person?
A: When searching for available sections, the “location” and “room” information will help you determine how a course is being offered. There is also a “Mode of Instruction” filter that can be utilized when you search for a specific course or by academic department.

Q: Can an international student take their fall courses remotely/online from their home country?
A: If the courses they need are being offered remotely/online international students do have that option, but they must contact the International Student and Scholar Services (ISSS) office to ensure that all immigration paperwork is updated appropriately. Visit globalaffairs.fiu.edu/isss/ for additional information.

Q: Is it possible that classes that begin as in-person/hybrid be switched to remote OR that remote courses will be switching to in-person?
A: Courses that start the semester with in-person classes could be moved to remote learning if the circumstances are warranted. All classes that begin as remote will stay remote throughout the entire fall semester.

Q: With the majority of courses being remote, will Campus Services, like the libraries, be open?
A: Yes. Students will still have access to FIU’s services and resources. Many services will be offered on campus, with social distancing enforced, while others will continue to be offered remotely.
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Opening the Halls While Promoting Healthy Living

• Hall Move-in
  • We have structured move-in with appointment times. To schedule a time to move in, visit my.fiu.edu>Student Tools> Student Housing> Bayview Housing @ BBC

• Expectations for living on campus this fall
  • Face coverings
  • Physical distancing
  • Guest limitations
  • Limits to large gatherings
  • Virtual programs and activities
Occupancy and Room Requests

• All suites and apartments house no more than 4 residents who share in-unit bathrooms and common areas.

• This creates pods of students – much like a family at home – who will live together, protect each other.

• Students should let staff know immediately if there are any concerns in their apartment or suite.

• Students living in Bayview may request the second bedroom to be locked off in a 4-bedroom or 2-bedroom for an additional cost.
Testing for Students in Housing

• We strongly encourage students to test for COVID-19 and self-quarantine prior to arriving.

• Students can be tested for COVID-19 at the Student Health Center at BBC by appointment only. There is no out of pocket costs.

• If a student tests positive prior to arriving they must wait to move in until they are healthy and test negative. We will work with you on a delayed move-in.
Cancelling Housing Agreements

- MMC
  - Cancel without penalty due to classes going remote or concerns about COVID-19.
  - To cancel, send an email to housing@fiu.edu.
- BBC
  - Cancellation fee of $250.00 that can be applied to a Spring lease.
  - To cancel for Bayview, send an email to info@bayviewfiu.com.
Spring Housing Availability

- FIU Housing expects to have enough openings in the spring to offer housing to anyone who cancelled for fall.

- Spring leases for Bayview have opened.

- Spring agreements will be open for MMC housing on October 1, 2020.

- We look forward to welcoming even more students back to campus in spring.
FACILITY PREPARATIONS
• Added physical distancing signage/markers/decals
• Additional touchless hand sanitizer stations
• Closed water fountains: bottle refill only
• Added acrylic shields for face-to-face services
• Added up lights to the front exterior of the building

KEY PHYSICAL DISTANCING AREAS
• Study spaces
• Lounge areas

CLEANING FREQUENCY
Using EPA-approved disinfectants, each area will be cleaned nightly with an electrostatic fogger
Continually throughout the day
• High-Touch Points (door handles, elevator buttons, etc.)
• Restrooms

DO:
• Study individually
• Enjoy a snack or meal
• Enjoy the game room and computer lab

DON’T:
• Study in groups
• Gather in groups or clusters of friends
• Host tabling sessions
WELLNESS AND RECREATION CENTER

VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING
• Go.fiu.edu/virtualwrc
• PantherFIT TV
• Fitness classes and training
• TRAC Workshops

IN PERSON
• Contactless check-in
• New outdoor programs
• Increased cleaning and disinfecting protocols
• New equipment spacing

FACILITIES
• Renovated Panther Hall Pool (MMC)
• Renovated Olympic Pool and Diving Well (BBC)
• Renovated Outdoor Recreation Building (BBC)
• New Sand Volleyball Court (Bay View Housing BBC)
IN PERSON EVENTS
• Visit reservespace.fiu.edu for event/venue information
• Capacities limited to less than 50% of the venue's maximum occupancy
• Follow physical distancing guidelines
• Have proper Panthers Protecting Panthers signage
• Email protocolevents@fiu.edu at least 2 weeks before event date for approval

VIRTUAL/HYBRID EVENTS
• Virtual/hybrid events are highly encouraged
• Both unions offer virtual event support services
• Email: reservespace@fiu.edu

STUDENT CENTERS EVENT PROTOCOL
STUDENT PROGRAMMING

STUDENT LIFE & DEVELOPMENT

• Student life will be back this fall….VIRTUALLY!
• Week of Welcome, Club Fair, Fraternity/Sorority Recruitment, and, yes, Homecoming will be done Virtually.
• Other programs to look for:
  - Roarthon
  - Relay for Life
  - SGA Council meetings
  - Life Skills Series Workshops
  - DC Fly-In
  - BSU State of the Union
  - Open Mic Night
  - Panthers Connect Challenge
• Student Organization registration opened August 1
• Select campus events will have an in-person component
BUSINESS SERVICES

**ROARY’S BAY CAFÉ**
- Open Monday – Friday, hours to be determined.

**BARNES & NOBLES**
- B&N BBC is open remotely.
- Delivery is free on all orders and Financial Aid can be used to purchase online.
- B&N MMC open for in-store purchases.
- Curbside pick-up, using B&N’s app, is in development and will be available at MMC prior to the start of fall classes.

**NEW DINING OPTIONS**
- Chick-fil-a (Under Construction)
- Vicky Café will open once campus repopulates

For updated information on all shop.fiu retail, service and dining locations, please visit shop.fiu.edu.
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