

Go Further Together at FGC





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Message from the President

As you discover the many features of FGC in this viewbook, I hope you will consider pursuing your goals with us. With a wide variety of academic programs, courses and dedicated services for students, we offer something for every individual. Our culture is unique with its emphasis on personalized student service. We are committed to supporting you through your time here and beyond, and helping you achieve your academic and professional goals.

I encourage you to visit campus and connect with our staff to learn more about FGC. We are here because of individuals like you, who decide to take that first step to accomplishing great things with us. Let's go further together at FGC!

Best wishes in your future endeavors and I hope to see you on campus! Sincerely,

Louverce Rowell

Lawrence Barrett, Ed.D.





With Ambition

The mission of Florida Gateway College (FGC) is to provide

superior

INSTRUCTION,



INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT,

enrich

THE COMMUNITY

THROUGH

quality AND affordable higher education programs and *lifelong* learning opportunities.

Accreditation

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"After I graduated from high school, I wasn't sure if I wanted to go to a community college or university because I was a shy person and would get anxious in a classroom with more than 20 students. On my first day of class at FGC, I was surprised by the **small class sizes**. I felt the weight off my shoulders being in such a safe and friendly environment." Rochelle G.

"Not only do I get to stay close to home while I **further my education**, I get to do so affordably. FGC has a beautiful campus and warm welcoming staff. With all of the many diverse **programs** that FGC offers, there is something for everyone." Colby L.

"With the help of the staff and some fellow students I found the right path for me."

Victoria V.

2,683

Size of our district in square miles



Campus locations serving students in our community

Main Campus in Lake City, Public Service Training Campus in Olustee and Dixie Center in Cross City

60+

Programs we offer, from one semester certificates to four-year degree programs



Programs that may be completed totally online, on your time

Average ratio of students to faculty in the classroom, providing a greater opportunity for connections with faculty and amongst peers

884

18:1

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The number of students awarded degrees and certificates in 2016-2017



5,000+

92%

The number of students served by FGC annually

A.S. graduates employed in their field of study and/or pursuing further education



A.A. graduates are employed and/or pursuing further education

You

The reason we're here. Providing you and all individuals access to a college education is the core of our mission



The attribute we strive for in our curriculum, programs and services

1947 FGC named Forest Ranger School **1970** FGC named Lake City Community College **2010** FGC named Florida Gateway College **2012** FGC offers bachelor programs **2017** FGC restores athletic programs **2018** Residence life now offered

More *great* things to come at FGC

Discover Our Programs of Study

Arts, Humanities, Communications and Design

Associate in Arts, A.A.

- Areas of Focus:
- » Arts, Humanities, Communications, and Design
- » Communications/ English
- » Communications/ Journalism
- » General Studies
- Humanities/Religious Studies

Graphic Design Technology, A.S.

Graphic Design Production, C.C.C.

Video Game Design, C.C.C.

Business

Associate in Arts, A.A. Areas of Focus:

- » Business
- » Business/Economics

Agribusiness Management, A.S.

- (Effective fall 2018)
- Business Administration, A.S.
- Accounting Technology, C.C.C.

Business Management, C.C.C.

Education

Early Childhood Education, B.S.

Associate in Arts, A.A.

- Areas of Focus:
- » Education

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Early Childhood Education, A.S. Child Care Center Management, C.C.C. Child Development Early Intervention Specialization, C.C.C.

Educator Preparation Institute, C.C.C.

Infant and Toddlers Specialization, C.C.C.

Preschool Specialization, C.C.C.

Child Care Center Professional, Non-Degree option

Health Science

Nursing, B.S.

Associate in Arts, A.A.

Areas of Focus:

» Health Sciences

Health Information Technology, A.S.

LPN to RN Bridge: Fast-Track Part-Time, A.S.*

LPN to RN Bridge: Traditional Full-Time, A.S.*

Physical Therapist Assistant, A.S.*

Registered Nursing, A.S.*

Respiratory Care, A.S. (Partnership program, general education courses only)

Practical Nursing, O.C.*

Medical Assisting, O.C.

Phlebotomy, O.C.

Medical Coder/Biller, A.T.D.

*Limited Access Programs: Students declare an A.A. Health Sciences track reflecting their intended A.S. program until accepted into the program

Industry, Manufacturing, Construction and Transportation

Associate in Arts, A.A.

Areas of Focus:

» Industry, Manufacturing, Construction and Transportation

Commercial Heating and Air Conditioning, O.C.

Cosmetology, O.C.

Facial Specialty, O.C.

Nail Specialty, O.C.

Welding Technology, O.C.

Welding Technology - Advanced, O.C.

Public Safety

Associate in Arts, A.A.

Areas of Focus:

- » Public Safety
- » Public Safety/Criminal Justice

Criminal Justice, A.S.

Emergency Medical Services Technology, A.S.

Emergency Medical Technician - Basic, C.C.C.

Paramedic, C.C.C.

CMS Law Enforcement - Basic Recruit, O.C.

Correctional Basic Recruit, O.C.

Crossover: Law Enforcement to Corrections Basic Recruit, O.C.

Crossover: Correctional Officer to Law Enforcement Basic Recruit, O.C.

Fire Science Apparatus Operator, O.C.

Firefighter Minimum Standards, O.C.

Firefighter/EMT Combined, O.C.

Science, Technology, Engineering & Math

Water Resources Management, B.A.S. Associate in Arts, A.A.

Areas of Focus:

- » STEM
- » STEM/ Mathematics
- » STEM/ General Engineering
- » STEM/ Agriculture (Animal Science)
- » STEM/ Biology
- » STEM/ Computer Science
- » STEM/ Computer Engineering
- » STEM/ Microbiology

Biotechnology, A.S. (Partnership program, general education courses only)

Computer Information Technology, A.S.

Computer Programming and Analysis, A.S.

Environmental Science, A.S.

Veterinary Technology, A.S. (Partnership program, general education courses only)

Computer Office Specialist with Programming, C.C.C.

Computer Support Specialist with Programming, C.C.C.

Advanced Horticulture, C.C.C.

Environmental Science Technician, C.C.C. (Effective fall 2018)

Horticulture, C.C.C.

Network Infrastructure, C.C.C.

Water Quality Technician, C.C.C.

Social/Behavioral Sciences and Human Services

Social Science/Anthropology

Social Science/History

» Social Science/ Psychology

» Social/Behavioral Sciences and Human

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

Associate in Arts, A.A.

Areas of Focus:

Services



At FGC there are many pathways you can take. Online and in the classroom.

Go Further Online, On Your Time

At FGC, you can choose from several different programs that can be completed fully online, on your time.

As an online student at FGC, you experience the same level of faculty and staff support and quality instruction as our on-campus students.

Pursue one of our online degrees and receive the following:

- » Personalized assistance through the enrollment process
- Advising services that provide you with one-on-one attention based on your timeline and goals
- Discounted tuition rate for online courses taken as a non-Florida resident
- Access to our learning resources, including library resources and tutoring
- Access to Canvas, our learning platform that makes accessing your courses, class discussions, and submitting assignments easy
- Career Center services to guide you in your career exploration and job search
- A convenient, quality education from a regionally accredited college

Our Online Degree Programs

Bachelor Degree Early Childhood Education, B.S. Nursing, B.S. Water Resources Management, B.A.S.

Associate in Arts Associate in Arts, A.A.

Associate in Science

Business Administration, A.S. Early Childhood Education, A.S. Environmental Science Technology, A.S.

College Credit Certificates

Accounting Technology, C.C.C. Business Management, C.C.C. Horticulture, C.C.C. Child Care Center Management, C.C.C. Computer Office Specialist with Programming, C.C.C. Infant and Toddlers Specialization, C.C.C. Preschool Specialization, C.C.C. Water Quality Technician, C.C.C.

DCF Credential Child Care Professional

Go Further with Our Transfer Partners

FGC is the perfect place to complete the first two years of a baccalaureate degree close to home and at a low cost. Students may then transfer their Associate in Arts or Associate in Science degree to their college of choice.

FGC is working to establish partnerships with other colleges and universities that result in transfer articulation agreements, which guarantee services and admission of our graduates at the transfer institution.

(The state of Florida's 2+2 system guarantees that our A.A. graduates can apply to one of the Florida public universities and have their transfer credits earned at FGC protected in the transfer process. FGC has solidified additional benefits with the Florida public).



Valdosta State University

- Guaranteed admission for students with A.A. and 2.0 GPA
- » VSU waives out-of-state fees for Florida residents

UNF UNIVERSITY of North Florida

- Guaranteed admission for students with A.A., 2.5 GPA and necessary prerequisites
- Receive on-site advising at UNF once student declares transfer intention at FGC

University of Central Florida

- Applies to UCF Online undergraduate programs
- UCF Student Success
 Coaches guide you while enrolled at FGC
- » Fees for the campus-based services that are not utilized as a UCF online student are waived, resulting in student savings



Saint Leo University

- Guaranteed admission for students with A.A. or A.S. and 2.0 GPA
- SLU staff are accessible on FGC's campus through their Lake City Education Center
- » All transfer students are offered the Florida Resident Access Grant, which is state aid for private institutions



Bethune-Cookman University

- A.A. or A.S. graduates are eligible for 60 transfer credits and exemption from B-CU's general education requirements
- » Students eligible for academic merit award and enrolling full-time will receive \$1,000 scholarship at B-CU
- » Discounted tuition rate for B-CU's Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.S.)

FAMU Florida A&M University

- Guaranteed admission for A.A. and selected A.S. graduates to certain FAMU bachelor program
- » Assistance from FAMU advisors while enrolled at FGC
- » Expanded FAMU financial aid resources for FGC students



Go Further, Get Involved

Embrace the full college experience! Beyond the classroom, there is a whole world of activities to discover at FGC.

Student Activities Center

The Hall offers a variety of recreation equipment, including billiards, ping pong, video games, darts and more, along with great music and a laid-back atmosphere. Take a break from your studies and participate in one of the many fun events hosted at The Hall.



Athletics

We are proud to offer the following athletic programs that give students, faculty and staff an outlet for our FGC Pride!



Men's Basketball



Intramural Sports

Interested in some friendly competition? We offer the following sports for your leisure activity:





Find affordable housing and broaden your college experience by living on campus. FGC offers two residence life wings in a safe, comfortable environment where you can live and learn with your peers.

Campus Safety

Student safety is the top priority at FGC. We have partnered with the Columbia County Sheriff's Office to provide security to our students and staff. The deputies on campus are sworn deputies with all the rights and authority of the Columbia County Sheriff's Office.





Student Government Association, SGA

SGA members work to improve our campus and quality of student life. Participating in SGA provides an excellent opportunity to promote the student perspective and assist in college governance. Develop important skills, such as leadership, communication and citizenship that will serve you for a lifetime.

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Student Organizations

Student Ambassador Program Anime Club Cosmetology I & II Campus Crusade for Christ (CRU) Forensics/Debate Future Teachers Club Mathematical Society Phi Theta Kappa Practical Nursing Rotaract

Stay Fit

FGC's Fitness Center offers cardio and strength training equipment. Walkers and runners are welcome to use the sidewalks, paths, and trails around campus.

Gateway Grill

Grab a meal or a smaller pick-me-up, charge your phone and dine with your friends.

Chart Your Career

FGC offers a wealth of resources to help you down the right path and stay on track to succeed.

Succeed with Our Support

FGC offers career services to help align your education plan with the career you are pursuing.

It Begins With Learning About You

We offer career exploration services. Learn about yourself, your interests and skills through a variety of assessments and the discussion of your results with a career coach. Exploration will help you choose the right classes to achieve your goals.

Learn About Different Career Fields

Our career planning resources will help you research career fields and narrow down your selection. Choosing a career increases your success rate in completing your degree program efficiently, financially and on time.



Visit our Career Services Center on campus located in the Wilson Student Union Building 14, Office 145

Advising Services

We offer academic advisors to support you from start to finish of your academic program. Academic advising is a partnership between student and academic advisor, and includes shared decision-making and responsibility. Our Academic Advisors:

- » Explain College policies and procedures
- » Educate you on academic requirements and monitor your degree progress
- » Guide you in planning educational and career goals
- » Connect you with relevant college resources
- » Actively support you in your transition to the college

Go Further with Financial Resources

Florida Gateway College is committed to making it possible for every student to access a high quality education at a very affordable cost. Though we are amongst the lowest cost colleges in the country, you may still wonder how to maneuver paying for your chosen program. Our financial aid staff is devoted to helping you get the most from available grants, workstudy, scholarships and more.

> The Financial Aid Office is here for you! Office of Financial Aid financial_aid@fgc.edu

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An Easier Way to Pay For College

Florida Gateway College has partnered with Nelnet, a leading education planning and financing service, to offer a payment plan with easy online enrollment, monthly payments, flexible payment options and best of all, no interest. Payments are processed on the 20th of each month and can be set up through automatic bank payment (ACH) or credit/debit card.

Financial Aid

The Financial Aid Office at FGC will introduce you to the spectrum of financial resources available to students—from scholarships to loans to work-study opportunities—and guide you through the processes necessary to access those resources.

Degree Type	Residency Classification	Rate Per Credit Hour
A.A. and A.S. Degrees	Resident	\$103.32
	Non-Resident	\$391.57
B.A.S. Degrees	Resident	\$120.33
	Non-Resident	\$450.78
Vocational	Resident	\$84.89
	Non-Resident	\$336.52
All	Non-Resident Online Courses	\$230.53

It all starts with the FAFSA (the Free Application for Federal Student Aid). This form is free and gives you access to the largest source of financial aid. Everyone who has their sights set on college should apply, as the data collected is often used to determine eligibility for other types of school aid.

Please visit our Financial Aid webpage at **www.fgc.edu** for detailed steps and easy to follow videos on how to complete the FAFSA. Give us a call at 386-754-4296 or come visit us on campus in Building 14.

FGC offers open-access admission, which means we're committed to helping every potential student access our academic programs and services. Applications are accepted year-round, but we recommend you start the process early to ensure you have time to provide all necessary documents, so that you can ultimately enroll in the classes you need.

Steps to Enrollment

Follow these steps as you plan your FGC educational career. Keep in mind that only the first two enrollment steps (apply and high school transcript) are required for admission, but some remaining steps can be completed simultaneously to expedite your enrollment.



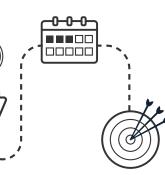
See the Academic Calendar online for admission deadlines

Submit Your High School Transcript

Send transcript to Enrollment Services, 149 SE College Place, Lake City, FL 32025

Did You Attend Another College?

Send transcripts from all previously attended colleges to Enrollment Services



Apply for Financial Aid

Complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) whether you think you are eligible or not. Go to **www.fafsa.ed.gov** FGC school code: 001501 Many scholarship opportunities at FGC require a completed FAFSA. Check this step off your list as early as possible—may be done prior to admission

For more information visit www.fgc.edu

Submit Your Proof of Residency

Submit the residency form and documents when you apply for admission

This requirement allows you to be considered for in-state tuition rates. Proving residency reduces your tuition over 70%. For example, a 3-credit class could cost \$310 instead of \$1,175

Schedule an Advising Appointment

Make an appointment by contacting Office of Advising Services at advising@fgc.edu or at 386-754-4222. Located at the Student Union in Building 14. Advising is required before you register to discuss your academic plan. If required for your program, you will schedule your orientation date when you meet with your advisor

Register for Classes!

Register through MyFGC or in person at the Office of Enrollment Services in Building 15

There's No Limit to How Far You Can Go

We hope to have the opportunity to connect with you soon. We want to help you achieve your greatest potential and improve your life for many years to come.

Go Further *Together* at FGC



Learn More About FGC

Visit Campus

The best way to learn more is to visit our campus. We have recruiters dedicated to showing you the ins and outs of FGC, including our facilities, grounds, services and programs. Get your questions answered by our knowledgeable staff. Schedule a visit by emailing **enroll@fgc.edu** or call 386-752-1822.

Visit Our Website

Go to **www.fgc.edu**, choose 'Request Information' and complete the form that will prompt additional FGC information to be sent to your designated email and/ or mailing address. Explore our website while you're there!

> **Contact Us** Office of Recruitment and Communication **enroll@fgc.edu**

386-752-1822

Where passionate students become

equipped graduates

And where *equipped* graduates become *successful* at whatever they set themselves to do

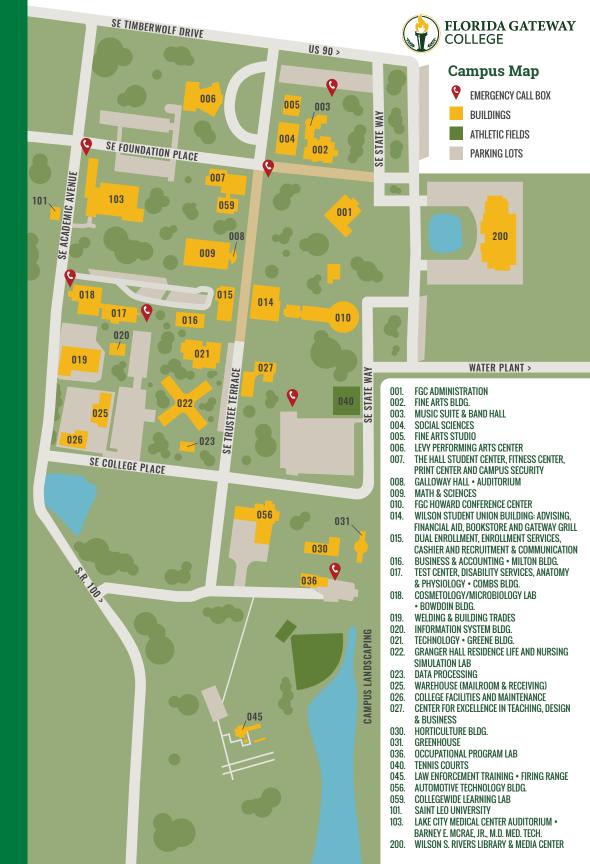
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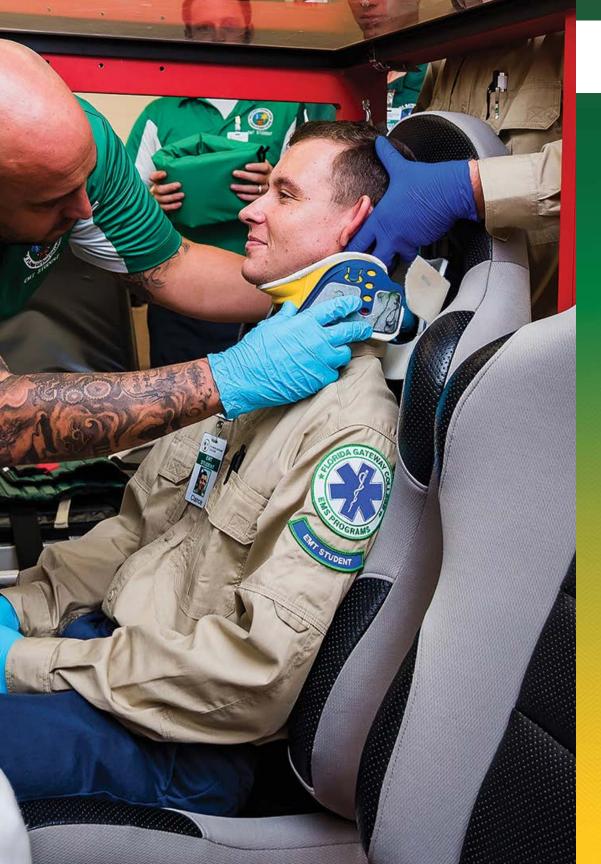
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FGC will adhere to all applicable federal, state, and local laws, regulations, and guidelines with respect to providing reasonable accommodations as required to afford equal educational opportunity. Students may obtain further assistance and information by calling Coordinator of Disability Services, at 386.754.4215. The Disability Services Office is located in Building 017, Room 16, 149 SE College Place, Lake City, Florida 32025.

Florida Gateway College does not discriminate in education or employment related decisions on the basis of race, color, ethnicity, national origin, gender, religion, disability, age, marital status, genetic information, sexual orientation, pregnancy, or any other legally protected status in accordance with the law. The equity officer is Sharon Best, Executive Director of Human Resources, 149 SE College Place, Lake City, FL 32025, and may be reached at (386) 754-4313.

FGC is an Equal Access/Equal Opportunity Institution







FGC is a place to discover your own passion or new ways to apply it.

FGC is a place to embrace what you're passionate about and do what you enjoy.

FGC is a place to prepare for your next steps and turn your passion into your career.

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