

# Creating the Future, One Scholar at a Time

## MISSION:

The mission of the University of South Florida Graduate School is to serve as the university's hub of leadership for graduate studies producing present day, and future global leaders, one scholar at a time.

## ACCREDITATION:

The University of South Florida is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award degrees at the baccalaureate, master's, and doctoral levels, including the Doctor of Medicine.

The Institution was initially accredited in 1965 and was last reviewed and reaffirmed in 2005. The Institution is scheduled to receive its next reaffirmation of accreditation review in 2015.

Additionally, many programs carry a separate accreditation for their discipline, please see <http://www.ie.usf.edu/Accreditation/> for further information.

## ESTIMATED COST OF ATTENDANCE

Fall Semester 2012 & Spring Semester 2013  
**Domestic (Florida Resident):**  
 Full-time Tuition & Fees: \$7,753\*  
 (Two semesters - 18 credit hours)  
 Housing/Meals: \$10,400  
 Books/Supplies: \$1,000  
 Other Expenses: \$4,100  
 Medical Insurance: \$2,173-\$3,284

## International & Non-Florida Resident:

Full-time Tuition & Fees: \$16,117\*  
 (Two semesters - 18 credit hours)  
 Housing/Meals: \$10,400  
 Books/Supplies: \$1,000  
 Other Expenses: \$4,100  
 Medical Insurance: \$2,173-\$3,284\*\*

\*Check with programs for actual tuition costs

\*\*International students are required to have medical insurance

## INNOVATIVE MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH

USF has numerous research and health care partnerships through affiliation agreements with hospitals and not-for-profit organizations in the metropolitan Tampa Bay area. Some of these relationships were coordinated by USF's Tampa Bay Technology Incubator, which was recently named the Emerging Research Park of the Year by the Association of University Research Parks.

USF Affiliates include: the H. Lee Moffitt Cancer Center and Research Institute; James A. Haley Veterans' Hospital; Bay Pines Veterans' Hospital; Tampa General Hospital; All Children's Hospital and Bayfront Medical Center; Shriners' Children's Hospital; Florida Hospital; the Johnnie B. Byrd, Sr. Alzheimer's Center and Research Institute; Jackson Laboratory; Mote Marine Laboratory; Draper Laboratory; SRI International; Romark Laboratories, L.C. and the U.S. Geological Survey.

A wide range of research opportunities are available in areas such as health care, transportation, biodefense, education, basic sciences, social sciences, and engineering. Research is conducted in the field and in campus laboratories as well as in specialized research and development centers and institutes.

Graduate students work alongside internationally renowned faculty and respected researchers in a variety of university settings.



## TAMPA BAY AND USF SYNERGY

The Tampa area is a lively metropolitan area covering three counties with more than 2 million residents. USF recognizes the value of this prime location and links research, teaching and experiential learning to the vast resources of the region. Rich opportunities for student internships, part-time jobs, and cooperative education experiences relevant to career goals are available to students. In turn, the university brings \$3.7 billion to bear on the local economy, and is the fourth largest employer in the county. The university is a leader in the Florida High Tech Corridor – a unique partnership that includes more than 5,200 technology companies from the Space Coast to Tampa Bay.

USF is a member of the Big East Athletic Conference, has a \$1.5 billion annual budget, and an annual economic impact of \$3.7 billion.

Over 26% of the graduate faculty have received a university degree from institutions outside the U.S., and 82% of these also have an advanced degree from a U.S. university.



USF supports diversity: More than 30% of the graduate student body is African American, Hispanic, Asian, Asian/Pacific Islander, Native American, or another ethnicity.

## CAMPUS LIFE

Graduate students are encouraged to take advantage of the tremendous variety of academic, cultural and recreational opportunities on campus, including organizations, activities, programs, events, workshops, and services that are offered at USF. From a fully equipped campus recreation center, contemporary art museum, exciting lecture series, and vibrant concerts and performances to Big East Conference athletics, the advantages of being part of the USF community are life-enriching.

Graduate students who are interested in residing on campus have a number of housing options. With the exception of designated freshman buildings, all residence halls are open to graduate students. In addition, two apartment-style buildings are reserved for students 21 years of age and older, and a third building is reserved for families. A number of child care and education options such as early learning centers, preschool, charter elementary school and public elementary school are available on campus.

## LIFE IN TAMPA BAY

A thriving business community, vibrant arts scene and intriguing historic districts make Tampa Bay a desirable place to live. From the new Salvador Dalí museum to the thrills of Busch Gardens theme park, there are attractions, sports venues, performance halls, museums, theaters, shopping locations, and restaurants galore to explore.

Tampa is easily accessible. Tampa International Airport, which is consistently voted one of the best in the world, is just 14 miles from the USF Tampa campus. With plentiful sunshine and an average annual temperature of 72 degrees it's no wonder nearly 100,000 of USF's more than 212,000 graduates continue to live in the Tampa Bay area.

## LIST OF COLLEGES

College of The Arts  
[arts.usf.edu](http://arts.usf.edu)

College of Arts & Sciences  
[cas.usf.edu](http://cas.usf.edu)

College of Behavioral & Community Sciences  
[cbcs.usf.edu](http://cbcs.usf.edu)

College of Business  
[business.usf.edu](http://business.usf.edu)

College of Education  
[coedu.usf.edu](http://coedu.usf.edu)

College of Engineering  
[eng.usf.edu](http://eng.usf.edu)

College of Global Sustainability  
[pgs.usf.edu](http://pgs.usf.edu)

College of Graduate Studies  
[grad.usf.edu/graduate-studies/](http://grad.usf.edu/graduate-studies/)

College of Marine Science  
[marine.usf.edu](http://marine.usf.edu)

College of Medicine  
[health.usf.edu/medicine/home.html](http://health.usf.edu/medicine/home.html)

College of Nursing  
[health.usf.edu/nocms/nursing/](http://health.usf.edu/nocms/nursing/)

College of Pharmacy  
[health.usf.edu/nocms/medicine/pharmacy/](http://health.usf.edu/nocms/medicine/pharmacy/)

College of Public Health  
[health.usf.edu/publichealth/](http://health.usf.edu/publichealth/)

University College  
[uc.usf.edu](http://uc.usf.edu)



USF Health boasts the area's largest medical practice, with more than 400 physicians treating this region's residents. They see more than 500,000 patients each year in dozens of medical facilities along the Florida Gulf Coast. In the Tampa Bay area, 36% of the physicians who made the 2007 Best Doctors in America list work at USF Health.

## ADMISSION CRITERIA

[www.usf.edu/admissions/graduate-admission-requirements.html](http://www.usf.edu/admissions/graduate-admission-requirements.html)

A graduate applicant must have one of the following:

- A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution and must satisfy at least one of the following criteria:

- "B" average or better in all work attempted while registered as an undergraduate student working for a degree, or
- "B" average or better in all work attempted while registered as an upper division undergraduate student working for a baccalaureate degree.

- A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution and a previous graduate degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- The equivalent bachelors and/or graduate degree from a foreign institution.

Submission of GRE/GMAT score is required by selected programs.

Submission of TOEFL or IELTS score is required if the applicant's native language is not English.

## APPLICATION DEADLINE INFORMATION

### Domestic & International Students within the U.S.:

Each graduate program sets its own deadline for admission to the program. This information is provided on the USF website at [www.grad.usf.edu/programs/programs.asp](http://www.grad.usf.edu/programs/programs.asp). Some programs may have a priority application deadline for applicants who want to be considered for an assistantship. Contact the program for details.

### International students applying from outside the U.S.:

In addition to meeting the application deadline for the program of interest (see above), all application and immigration documents must be on file at USF no later than the following deadlines: May 1 (for Fall), September 15 (for Spring), January 15 (for Summer).

### Applicants who want to be considered for Graduate School fellowships:

All application documents must be on file by the program deadline or Feb. 15, whichever comes first.



USF's main campus is situated close to the interstate highway for easy access to downtown Tampa.

The USF Library offers access to over 1.3 million books and an extensive selection of print & electronic resources, including 52,000 e-journal subscriptions, 443,000 e-books, and over 800 databases.

## GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAMS

Offered at USF (Tampa)  
 For information on faculty and research visit the program websites.

### MASTERS PROGRAMS

Accountancy  
 Adult Education  
 American Studies  
 Applied Anthropology  
 Applied Behavior Analysis  
 Architecture  
 Art  
 Art History  
 Audiology (Post Baccalaureate)  
 Aural (Re) Habilitation (Post Baccalaureate)  
 Bioethics and Medical Humanities  
 Bioinformatics & Computational Biology  
 Biology  
 Biomedical Engineering (MSBE)  
 Biomedical Engineering (MSES)  
 Biotechnology  
 Business Administration  
 Business Economics  
 Career and Technical Education  
 Chemical Engineering (MCHE)  
 Chemical Engineering (ME)  
 Chemical Engineering (MSCH)  
 Chemical Engineering (MSES)  
 Chemistry  
 Chemistry (non-thesis option)  
 Civil Engineering (MCE)  
 Civil Engineering (MSCE)  
 Civil Engineering (MSES)  
 Classics: Latin/Greek  
 College Teaching  
 Communication  
 Computer Engineering  
 Computer Science  
 Counselor Education  
 Creative Writing  
 Criminal Justice Administration  
 Criminology  
 Curriculum & Instruction  
 Dramatic Writing  
 Early Childhood Education  
 Educational Leadership  
 Electrical Engineering (ME)  
 Electrical Engineering (MSEE)  
 Electrical Engineering (MSES)  
 Elementary Education (MA)  
 Elementary Education (MAT)  
 Engineering Management  
 Engineering Science (5 year program)  
 English  
 English Education (MA)  
 English Education (MAT)  
 Entrepreneurship in Applied Technologies  
 Environmental Engineering (MEVE)  
 Environmental Engineering (MSES)  
 Environmental Engineering (MSEV)  
 Environmental Science & Policy  
 Exceptional Student Education (MA)  
 Exceptional Student Education (MAT)  
 Executive MBA Program  
 Finance  
 Foreign Language Education (MA)

### Foreign Language Education (MAT)

French  
 Geography  
 Geology  
 Gerontology  
 Global Sustainability  
 Health Administration  
 History  
 Industrial Engineering (MIE)  
 Industrial Engineering (MSIE)  
 Latin American, Caribbean & Latino Studies  
 Liberal Arts  
 Library & Information Science  
 Linguistics  
 Linguistics: English as a Second Language  
 Management  
 Management Information Systems  
 Marine Science  
 Marketing  
 Mass Communications  
 Materials Science & Engineering  
 Mathematics  
 Mathematics Education  
 Mathematics Education (6-12)  
 Mechanical Engineering (ME)  
 Mechanical Engineering (MME)  
 Mechanical Engineering (MSES)  
 Mechanical Engineering (MSME)  
 Medical Science  
 Microbiology  
 Middle Grades Mathematics  
 Music  
 Music Education  
 Nursing  
 Philosophy  
 Physical Education  
 Physics  
 Political Science  
 Psychology  
 Public Administration  
 Public Health (MPH)  
 Public Health (MSPH)  
 Reading Education  
 Real Estate  
 Rehabilitation & Mental Health  
 Counseling (5 year program)  
 Rehabilitation & Mental Health  
 Counseling (Post Baccalaureate)  
 Religious Studies  
 School Psychology  
 Science Education (MA)  
 Science Education (MAT)  
 Social Science Education (MA)  
 Social Science Education (MAT)  
 Social Work  
 Sociology  
 Spanish  
 Special Education, Behavior Disorders  
 Special Education, Gifted  
 Special Education, Intellectual Disabilities

### Special Education, Motor Disabilities

Special Education, Specific Learning Disabilities  
 Speech-Language Pathology (Post Baccalaureate)  
 Statistics  
 Urban & Community Design  
 Urban and Regional Planning  
 Women's Studies

### EDUCATION SPECIALIST PROGRAMS

Curriculum and Instruction  
 Educational Leadership

### DOCTORAL PROGRAMS

Aging Studies  
 Applied Anthropology  
 Audiology  
 Biology  
 Biomedical Engineering  
 Business Administration  
 Cancer Biology  
 Chemical Engineering  
 Chemistry  
 Civil Engineering  
 Communication  
 Communication Sciences & Disorders  
 Computer Science & Engineering  
 Criminology  
 Curriculum and Instruction  
 Economics  
 Educational Leadership  
 Educational Program Development  
 Electrical Engineering  
 Engineering Science  
 English  
 Geography and Environmental Science and Policy  
 Geology  
 Government  
 History  
 Industrial Engineering  
 Marine Science  
 Mathematics  
 Mechanical Engineering  
 Medical Sciences  
 Medicine (MD)  
 Music  
 Nursing Practice  
 Nursing Science  
 Pharmacy  
 Philosophy  
 Physical Therapy  
 Physics, Applied  
 Psychology  
 Public Health (DPH)  
 Public Health (Ph.D.)  
 School Psychology  
 Second Language Acquisition & Instructional Technology  
 Social Work  
 Sociology

For more information on degree programs or concentrations visit <http://www.grad.usf.edu/programs/programs.asp>

USF is classified by the Carnegie Foundation for Advancement of Teaching in the top tier of research universities (RU/VH), a distinction attained by only 2 percent of all American universities.

USF is ranked 44th in total research expenditures and 38th in federal research expenditures for public universities by the National Science Foundation.

The university is recognized as 110th among all the world's universities in ranking of faculty publications according to High Impact Universities.

USF is ranked 27 among 600 of "America's Top Research Universities," according to The Center for Measuring University Performance.

The National Academy of Inventors™ was founded at USF. In 2010 USF was ranked 9th of 14 universities in the top 300 organizations receiving a patent.



## STUDENT SPOTLIGHT



**Name:** Juanita Martinez  
**Program:** Master of Public Administration  
**Hometown:** Immokalee, FL

"I decided on USF because of the experience I had looking into the program. All of the administrators were very helpful, friendly and made the application process very pleasant. The program is also nationally accredited which sparked my interest. I also attended USF as an undergraduate student and had an amazing experience!"

**Name:** Bashar Salahia  
**Program:** Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering  
**Hometown:** Aleppo, Syria



"At USF, I have had the chance to meet and work with professors and students from all over the world. The long lasting friendship and networking opportunities are invaluable. USF is a rapidly growing university that offers students and scholars a high standard of teaching, research, personal and career development credentials"

## STUDENT SERVICES

- About USF  
[www.usf.edu/About-USF/](http://www.usf.edu/About-USF/)
- Admissions  
[www.usf.edu/admissions](http://www.usf.edu/admissions)
- Campus Life  
[www.usf.edu/Campus-Life](http://www.usf.edu/Campus-Life)
- Housing & Residential Education  
[www.housing.usf.edu](http://www.housing.usf.edu)
- Off-Campus Housing  
[www.myidealplace.com/accounts/usfmp/](http://www.myidealplace.com/accounts/usfmp/)
- International Services  
[www.global.usf.edu/iss/](http://www.global.usf.edu/iss/)
- Multicultural Affairs  
[www.multicultural.usf.edu](http://www.multicultural.usf.edu)
- University Scholarships & Financial Aid Services  
[usfweb2.usf.edu/finaid/](http://usfweb2.usf.edu/finaid/)
- Research  
[www.usf.edu/Research/](http://www.usf.edu/Research/)

## FUNDING INFORMATION

USF's tuition and fees are among the lowest in the U.S. Scholarships, fellowships, grants, and assistantships do not require repayment and are available for students who have demonstrated high academic achievement. Other funding opportunities are available through the colleges and Graduate School. For up-to-date information visit, [www.grad.usf.edu/funding.asp](http://www.grad.usf.edu/funding.asp).

## GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS

Available within academic departments and university offices, graduate assistantships provide students with the opportunity to teach, conduct research, or perform tasks that contribute to their professional development and enhance their graduate learning experience. Also intended to recruit high quality students, these positions are highly competitive, and USF provides an attractive compensation package. While specific eligibility requirements and application guidelines for graduate assistants are established by the colleges and departments, all students must meet basic eligibility requirements: be accepted into a graduate degree program; maintain an overall minimum grade point average and degree program average of 3.00; and be enrolled full-time.

## GRADUATE CERTIFICATES

USF offers a variety of opportunities to meet continuing education needs through graduate certificates. Most certificate programs do not require the GRE, and many can be completed in as few as four classes. In addition, most certificate course credits can be applied toward a graduate degree. A full list can be found at [www.gradcerts.usf.edu](http://www.gradcerts.usf.edu) or call 888.873.4968 (toll free).

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**BE SUCCESSFUL**  
**BE A LEADER**



Our main campus is located in Tampa, Florida, with other USF System campuses located in Sarasota and St. Petersburg.



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