

The ELI Weekly

Out and About: First Experience in Gainesville

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Last Saturday was the first day of football this semester. Unfortunately, I couldn't buy a ticket. My roommates and I just saw a marching band. We noticed the UF band in front of the stadium. We saw some people who carried their instruments, so we waited for the band to start. When the band started to march, we were very excited. However, we noticed that the band was not the UF band. We wanted to see the UF band, but we had to go home because we had to take a bus before the last bus gone. We searched a bus stop where is the closest. We walked to the bus stop, but, because of school construction and football, that bus stop was gone. We looked for other bus stops to take the bus, and then we walked for 30 minutes. Before we arrived at the bus stop, we saw the bus on the road. Fortunately, a kind bus driver allowed us to take the bus. How kind he was! Finally, we got home safe.



Image source: <https://arts.ufl.edu/in-the-loop/news/go-behind-the-scenes-with-the-gator-marching-band-at-ufls-eye-opener-discovery-breakfast-on-april-9/>

CIP Weekday Activities

Sign up for all activities here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0C4BA9A823A02-student9>

Monday September 13th - Coffee Talk - 6:30 - 9:00pm

Come drink coffee or get dinner and socialize at the Butler Plaza Starbucks near Burger Fi - 3524 SW Archer Rd! Take bus 1

- You must sign up on the weekly activity signup to attend this activity.

Tuesday September 14th - Soccer - 6:30 - 9:00pm

Come play Soccer on campus at Flavet Field! No experience necessary!

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Wednesday September 15th - Volleyball - 6:30 - 9:00pm

Come play volleyball and hang out at Lexington Crossing Apartments Phase 2! No experience necessary! Take bus 34 or 35

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Thursday September 16th - Gator Salsa - 6:15 - 9:00pm

Come learn to dance salsa and bachata with your ELI friends outside in beautiful downtown Gainesville! No experience necessary! . Take bus 1, 5, or 46 then walk to the Bull (18 SW 1st Ave) where we will dance outside! Bring your Gator1 ID Card.

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Friday September 17th - Gator Nights - 5:45 - 8:45pm

Come do fun activities open to UF students at the Reitz! This week we will watch Black Widow in the Auditorium. Meet the ELI at the Reitz Union Subway area to enter together. PLEASE meet us on time at the Subway. After 5:55, it may be hard to find us. Bring your Gator1 ID Card!

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Saturday Activity



Saturday September 18th – Dave and Buster’s Arcade – 12:00 – 3:30pm

Come play fun games and get food at this fun new Gainesville arcade! Bring 15-25 dollars to spend on games and food! Take bus 33 to Celebration Pointe or walk from any bus that goes to Butler Transfer Station to Dave and Buster’s: 3023 SW 45 St.

- **You must sign up** on the weekly activity signup to attend.



Conversation Partners: Want to meet with an English speaker once a week and make a new friend?! Sign up here! <https://forms.gle/ctQAzW8EjXgvhYgHA>. Returning students who want a CP should still fill out his form, even if you had a CP last semester! This is optional, but if you sign up, you agree to meet your partner once a week for one hour to speak English and respond to them when they contact you to make plans to arrange a meeting. Try meeting them on campus or a coffee shop. Try chatting about your family or home country, and get practicing English! CPs are excited to meet you! Wait two weeks after signing up to be paired.

Notes from the Office

UF ID Cards: If you want to use the UF libraries, Student Health Care Center, recreational facilities, etc., you need to show a student ID card. You can also ride any RTS bus for free with this card. Please contact the Student Life Coordinator, Victoria Dolce, at vcshelly@ufl.edu to get yours!

Classrooms: Keep your classrooms clean. Don’t leave papers, bottles, or other trash in the classrooms. All trash bins are in the hallway. Empty cans and bottles should go in the blue recycle bins. Paper also has a recycle bin in the hall with the slot for paper only. Throw all other trash in the brown trash can.



Additionally, all the classrooms have wipes for the desks and hand sanitizer for you to help keep your space clean.



Birthdays!

Students: Yeowon Lee – 9/15
Firoozeh Raygan – 9/15
Maximo Viana Salazar – 9/19

Staff: None

Notes from the Editor



Have you been out and about in Gainesville? Tell us about it in the Weekly! Share your stories about ELI activities, events in Gainesville, or even places we should see if we visit your country. Send 1-2 paragraphs to Maya (mshastri@ufl.edu).

Send your grammar and culture questions and I’ll answer them in the Weekly! Send your questions to Maya (mshastri@ufl.edu).



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