

The ELI Weekly

UF Libraries



What do you know about the UF Library System? Did you know it is the largest information system in Florida? Did you know there are seven libraries on campus? Did you know that your student ID is your library card to check out materials?

Here is a link for a library guide that was written by students, for students! The guide provides a wealth of information on what the Libraries have to offer so you can get the most out of your visits. You will also find an insider scoop about what is unique about each of the branches on campus, including the Architecture & Fine Arts Library, the Education Library, the Health Science Center Libraries, Library West, Marston Science Library, and Smathers Library.

- [UF Libraries Guide](#)

The Libraries have something for every student! Watch a video from the library to help you learn about the services and resources available to you.

- [Spark Curiosity at Smathers Library](#)
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CIP Weekday Activities

Monday, September 19th– Cabana Beach Pool Party – 6:00-8:30pm



It's pool season! Come hang out with us at the Cabana Beach pool area and swim in their spacious pool! Feel free to bring a bathing suit, a towel, and your friends! If you don't want to swim, there will be plenty of games and socializing! Take bus 20 or 21 to Cabana Beach Apartments!

Address: *1601 SW 51st Terrace, Gainesville, FL 32607*

Tuesday, September 20th – 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.

Address: *3900 SW 27th St, Gainesville, FL 32608*

Wednesday, September 21st – Soccer – 6:30-9:00pm



Come play soccer on campus at Maguire Field! No experience necessary! If we aren't at Maguire because it is too crowded, we have moved to Flavet Field just down the road!

Address: *Bledsoe Dr, Gainesville, FL 32611*

Thursday, September 22nd – GNV Farmers Market – 5:30-7:30pm



Experience a local farmers market with lots of good food trucks, fresh produce, snacks, and other specialty items to buy! Enjoy live music and lots of outdoor fun with friends. Meet at the Heartwood Soundstage. Take bus 1, 5, or 46.

Address: *619 S Main St, Gainesville, FL 32601*

Friday, September 23rd– Gator Nights – 6:30-9:30pm



Come see all the fun things the Reitz has to offer for this event! There will be activities, entertainment, food, photo opportunities, and more! Meet at the Reitz Union Subway! Theme TBA. Don't forget your Gator1 ID card.

Address: *686 Museum Rd, Gainesville, FL 32611*

Weekend Event

Saturday, September 24th

Our bus passes for Clearwater Beach are sold out! But self-driving students may still attend. Please RSVP to Tate at tquinones@eli.ufl.edu if you plan on driving yourself to Clearwater Beach.

If you are attending the trip, please see the schedule:



September 24th, 2022 – Clearwater Beach Bus Trip
This schedule may change, all times are estimated.

9:15 a.m.- Meet at Norman Garage.

9:30 a.m.- Bus arrives at Norman Garage.

9:45 a.m.- Bus leaves Norman Garage, we will not wait for students past this time.

12:30 p.m.- Arrive at Clearwater Beach ([160 S. Gulfview Blvd., Clearwater, FL 33767](#))
Enjoy the beach, do shopping, eat food during this time.

7 p.m.- Meet at our saved beach location to watch the sunset.

7:30 p.m.- Leave beach and head to bus at roundabout.

7:45 p.m.- Bus leaves, you must be at the bus before this time.

11:00 p.m.- Arrive at Norman Garage, plan to be picked up or ride the bus around this time.

Selling Gator Football Tickets!



On October 1st, the ELI will be attending the Gator football game against Eastern Washington! Tickets will be on sale starting on Monday from the CIP office from Tate between 9am and 12pm on Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday of this week, or until sold out. Spaces are limited! Tickets are 20 dollars exact cash. Please bring your Gator1 ID.

CIP Reminders

CIP Passports: Don't forget to get your CIP Passport Stickers from the activity leaders AT the event (not after). Remember the CIP Pineapple is hidden in a new place every Monday in the CIP office. Stop by and find it!



Conversation Partners: Want to make a friend and speak English? Sign up for a conversation partner! Wait two weeks to be paired and then meet your new partner for one hour a week to practice conversation and make a friend! If you are a returner and still want a CP, you should still sign up here, even if you had a partner last semester.

Sign up for a CP here!: <https://forms.gle/h5NyWTrkpE331zzS7>

Remember, if you sign up, you must meet your partner at least once a week and respond to their messages. Email conversationpartners@eli.ufl.edu if you have any questions or problems.

Notes from the Office

Teacher Workday: Monday, September 26, is a teacher workday. There will be no classes on this day so that your instructors can prepare new lessons for you. Even though there are no classes, the ELI office will be open.

Florida Weather: Florida storms can be very powerful. What do you do if you need to walk across campus and there is lightning and thunder? You should wait in a safe place, and if possible, let your teacher know you are waiting for the storm to pass. Sometimes, UF will cancel classes for a hurricane. The Gator Safe App can keep you up-to-date on the Florida weather and UF information about cancellations.



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New ELI Scholarship Criteria: The criteria for the ELI scholarship have been updated. We now have a list of minimum requirements and some new requirements, like successful academic work strategies and intercultural understanding/relationships. If you are interested in a scholarship, please review the updated criteria and the selection process (<https://eli.ufl.edu/application-information/scholarship/>).

Test (TOEFL/IELTS) Preparation Class: Let us know if you are interested in taking a test preparation class! If enough students are interested, we can have a test preparation class in Fall B.

Please take the survey to let us know:

https://ufl.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0JHNXBQKGPr3ftY The deadline to complete the survey is Friday, September 30th.

Photo of the Week



ELI Students at Poe Springs

Birthdays!



Students:

9/23 Jiyeong Lee

9/24 Christian Solorzano
Rodriguez

Staff:

9/20 Katerina Quintela

9/21 Minsang Kim

Grammar

Q: What's the difference between speak and talk? Can I say "I talk English"?

A: There are two main differences. The first is the formality. Speak is more academic than talk. Look at the two examples below. Which one would you use with your friend and which one would you use with your professor?

- Could I speak with you?
- Let's talk.

The other difference is that talk can't have a direct object but speak can. This means your sentence is incorrect. They can both take indirect objects using with.

- Correct: I speak English.
- Incorrect: I talk English.
- Correct: I spoke with my professor.
- Correct: I talked with my professor.

Manners & Culture

Q: *I'm homesick and sad. I don't know what to do to feel better.*

A: Don't worry! This is natural when you move to another country. The best thing you can do is to keep active: participate in class, go to the CIP activities, and chat with friends. You can also talk to someone about how you feel. New students are going through the same thing and probably need your support, too. Returning students went through the same thing in their first semester and will have good advice for you.

Your teachers and Language Assistants are also there for you. The person who talks most, adjusts the best. Make local connections, with your own culture and the host culture. Did you know that UF has many student organizations including international student organizations?

(Manners & Culture, continued)

There is also an organization on campus that helps international gators with things like culture shock. You can see more about this resource here:

<https://counseling.ufl.edu/outreach/international/>

Notes from the Editor

The ELI Weekly needs you!

- Share your special experiences of campus, Gainesville, and Florida by sending me your stories for the Weekly.
- Do you have grammar questions? Do you have manners and culture questions? Share them with us!
- Send stories and questions to Maya (mshastri@ufl.edu). When you email, let me know it's for the Weekly.



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