

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA COLLEGE OF PHARMACY ST. PETERSBURG CAMPUS (STP)

How often are students required on campus?

Approximately 3 times per week but it does vary. Students are required to be on campus increasingly more as they progress through the curriculum.

Where are my classes held on campus?

Classes and exams are primarily held in The CVS/pharmacy Education Center and are held during day and evening times depending on course schedule. Occasionally classes are also held in the Seminole Community Library at St. Petersburg College (SPC), or The University Partnership (UP) Building, both located adjacent to our building on the Seminole Campus of St. Petersburg College.

Why do students need to come to campus?

Interactive class session, presentations, small group discussions, labs, and student organization meetings are held on campus. Also, exams and quizzes are given on campus.

When do we get our schedule?

The lecture schedule, once determined, is posted on the College of Pharmacy (COP) website. Please remember, lectures are available on digital streaming video within 2 hours of being presented live in Gainesville. Our St. Petersburg (STP) Campus schedule will be provided to students prior to the first day of classes.

Where may I study and view lectures on campus?

Study rooms are available in the joint use Seminole Community Library and are provided on a first-come-first-serve basis. Students may also study in the Learning Commons in the TL Building and the Collaborative Commons in the UPC Building. Additionally, students may study in the lobby area in the Pharmacy Building, the atrium area and second floor seating area in the UPC building, and at numerous tables and seating areas in the library. Lectures may be viewed on desktop computers that are available in the Learning Commons, Collaborate Commons and Library. Students with wireless cards in their laptop computers can request access to SPC's wireless network, allowing them to view lectures from any location on campus. Headphones must be used while viewing lectures from any laptop or desktop computer anywhere on campus. To find out more about the Library or Commons go to:

http://www.spcollege.edu/se/support_services/commons/index.htm

Do students have access to a copier on Campus?

Yes. Copier usage is available in the Learning Commons and Library for a nominal fee.

What books are we able to access?

As a University of Florida (UF) student you have online access to materials in the UF library. We also have key pharmacy reference materials and course materials on reserve in the Library.

How do I register for classes?

Incoming students (1PDs) do not have to register for their first semester; this will be done for you. All other students are advised where to find their section numbers so they can register themselves on ISIS.

Who do I contact regarding financial aid?

Federal Financial aid is handled through the Gainesville campus. The person who coordinates financial aid for UF health profession programs is Debbie Robinson, phone (352) 273-6202 or e-mail drobinson@cop.ufl.edu. Award emails for COP students are sent out in late July or early August.

Where can I find out about housing or a roommate in the area?

We do not offer Campus housing nor does SPC. There are no specific locations that we recommend, but there is a company called Apartment Hunters in the area.

<http://www.apartmenthunters.com>

Where do I park on Campus and how much is the fee?

Parking is free on the STP Campus; no decal or hang tag is required at this time. There is ample parking, but remember it can become crowded with SPC and university partnership classes in session.

Is orientation required for new students?

Yes, orientation is mandatory. As an incoming student you will need to attend orientation on the STP Campus as well as an all-campus orientation in Gainesville.

What health insurance and health services are offered?

Health insurance is required while you are enrolled in the COP. The cost for this insurance is assumed by the student. All UF students enrolled in a degree seeking program are eligible to enroll in the Student Injury and Sickness Insurance Plan. Information about the university-sponsored insurance plan can be found on the Student Health Care Center website, <http://shcc.ufl.edu>, under Fees and Insurance. These plans are currently administered by UnitedHealthCare. You may contact Scarborough Company Insurance at (352)377-2002 or e-mail them at scarins@scarins.com if you need more information or have detailed questions. You can also download forms from their website at www.scarins.com. ***Be sure to look at Plan 2, since Plan 1 only covers services at the Health Care Center in Gainesville. (Remember students at the distant campuses are not charged the health care fee that allows access to the Student Health Care Center in Gainesville.)***

Also, UF COP STP students are able to obtain medical services from the University of South Florida-Tampa. USF will charge the visiting student the student health service fee for the semester. The fee is payable at the time of the initial visit and covers all subsequent office visits during that semester. Naturally, there are additional charges for certain other services including, but not limited to, x-ray, laboratory, prescriptions, and minor surgery (e.g., wart removal, suturing). Each semester we provide USF with a current student list. Students will be required to show photo identification (driver's license or student ID) at USF's Student Health Services. For location and hours, please visit their website: <http://shs.usf.edu/>