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**It's not too late! Get your FIU Faculty, Staff & Family Spring Picnic tickets today!**



The annual [FIU Faculty, Staff and Family Spring Picnic](#) is right around the corner! We hope to welcome you, your family, and friends to our beautiful Biscayne Bay Campus on Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Be sure to head over to PC-209C (MMC) or HL-320 (BBC) from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. to collect/purchase your admission tickets. Faculty, staff, and retirees will receive a complimentary ticket and guest tickets (ages 5 and over) are only \$5.00.

Admission tickets will give you and your guests access to:

- Delicious BBQ food, including ribs
- Splashing fun at the BBC pool
- Outdoor games and sports including rock climbing and water slides
- An art workshop for all ages
- Petting zoo and pony rides
- Wine tasting (\$10.00 per person)
- Half-mile “Fun Run” for a chance to win additional prizes (\$5.00 per person)

- Kayaking and paddle boarding (first-come, first serve basis for guest ages 14 and up)
- Face painting, fun entertainment, and much more including great door prizes!

We look forward to seeing you at this year's spring picnic event! Have questions? Please contact Trudy Fernandez, Director, HR Relations at (305) 348-0101.

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## Save the Date - Administrative Professionals Day



As Administrative Professionals Day fast approaches, we want to take a moment and thank all of our administrative professionals for their dedication and contributions in making FIU Worlds Ahead.

To express our gratitude for the important role you play at the university, all eligible administrative professionals will be entered into a drawing for a chance to win one of six printers available for this special occasion, courtesy of ShopFIU. The name selections will take place on the national observation day, Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>. Winners will be notified via email.

Best wishes to all for a joyous celebration in honor of your dedication and exceptional roles at our university. Got pictures you would like to share of your special day? Send them to [hrrel@fiu.edu](mailto:hrrel@fiu.edu) and we will spotlight you on our social media channels!

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Trudy Fernandez, Director, HR Relations at (305) 348-0101.

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## EOPD Spring Training Series



There's only one workshop left! Join the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs and Diversity for their Spring Training Series. Click [here](#) for more information. To register, please click [here](#).

**Americans with Disabilities Act Training**  
Thursday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., GL-220 | MMC

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## Mindful Practices at Work Workshop



The Office of Employee Assistance is pleased to present the Mindful Practices at Work workshops. Please click [here](#) to sign-up for the workshops below. To view our April newsletter, please click [here](#).

Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., GL-482 | MMC  
Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m., GL-482 | MMC

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## Employee Benefits



### Employee Perks

FSA Employee Perks Website - The Division of Human Resources is pleased to provide you with this exciting employee perks website. Discover the wonderful products offered [here](#).

Summer Perks - This summer, discover savings on housing, car rentals, entertainment, and more. Click [here](#) for a complete list.

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### Commuter Challenge 2017



In support of Clean Air Month, the Florida Department of Transportation's South Florida Commuter Services and FIU are challenging FIU commuters to use an alternate mode of transportation at least once in the month of May as part of the 2017 South Florida Commuter Challenge! We are asking the FIU community to try one or more of the following: transit, carpool, walking, or bicycling.

To participate, individuals must log at least one commute using an alternative transportation mode during the month of May through the FIU RideFlag app. Take the challenge and discover a new way to get around in South Florida! For more information and to register for the challenge, please click [here](#).

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The English Language Institute is pleased to announce that Accent Reduction, Practical Conversation, and Advanced Grammar classes will be offered to all FIU employees (USPS, OPS, and others). Classes will be offered:

**Mondays and Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**

**Tuesdays and Thursdays: 7:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.**

**Saturdays: 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.**

Classes will be offered at \$249.00 per course, 50% off the regular price! This price is available to FIU employees only. All benefit earning employees have the option to use payroll deduction to pay for the classes! Please bring your FIU OneCard when registering for any of these courses. For more information, please click [here](#) or call the English Language Institute at (305) 348-2222.

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PAWS to Move is coming to an end. We had a tremendous amount of participants, 754 in all! The program has been such a great success! Thank you to everyone for their enthusiasm and dedication for wellness.

The 2017 Florida Worksite Wellness Awards will be held Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> at the Intercontinental Hotel. Come and support your favorite nominee, Florida International University, and listen as Director of The Office of Employee Assistance, Isabel Alfonsin-Vittoria, gives the keynote address! To register, please click [here](#).

Save the dates for May's Lunch and Learn series! Join us Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> as speaker, author, and FIU professor, Dr. Wendy Guess discusses influencing change in wellness. Stay tuned for more information.

## FIU 5K Run/Walk



Join Team FIU for a 5K Run/Walk on Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 a.m. in Tamiami Park. Click [here](#) to register. Use code FIU to register for just \$20.00. Have questions? Contact Nathan Burandt, Benefits and Wellness Manager, at [nburandt@fiu.edu](mailto:nburandt@fiu.edu).

## FIU Run Club



Get your running shoes ready! Join the FIU Run Club and Go Run Running Store every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at the FIU Wellness and Recreation Center! Have questions? Contact Nathan Burandt, Benefits and Wellness Manager, at [nburandt@fiu.edu](mailto:nburandt@fiu.edu).

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## Register Today for Export Control Training



As an important part of our university's commitment to Export Control **compliance** across all research and campus administrative functions, the Office of University Compliance & Integrity will be offering live Export Control training sessions that will provide research faculty members a concise overview of how export controls affect our

research activities and supporting functions. For more information, please click [here](#).  
To register for the sessions below, please click [here](#).

**Operational Units Session**

Tuesday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., GC-316

**General Research Sessions**

Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., GC-314

**Medical & Health Sciences Session**

Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., GC-316

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**Financial Literacy and Retirement Preparedness Training  
Program**



Would you like to secure your financial future? The FIU Metropolitan Center has developed a unique 8-module program that will show you the steps you need to take to manage your finances. Join the team every Wednesday through June 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Residence Inn Marriott in Miramar. Topics include how to set up your budget, tips on evaluating your investments, and managing your credit. Sign up for the whole program, or choose which sessions you'd like to attend. For more information, please click [here](#). Have questions? Call the FIU Metropolitan Center at (305) 779-7874.

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## Limited Spots Available! Register for CASE Summer Camp!



Spots are filling up quickly! Don't miss your chance to register your child for FIU's **College of Arts, Sciences, & Education Summer Camp!** From June 12<sup>th</sup> – August 4<sup>th</sup>, children from ages 4 – 13 will spend the summer exploring science, playing sports and games, attending field trips, and more. For more information and to register, please click [here](#).

To provide feedback on this newsletter, please contact us at [hradmin@fiu.edu](mailto:hradmin@fiu.edu)