

**FGCU Collegiate Academy
Information Night
&
8th Grade Scholar Celebration**



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- Jeff Estes, Principal
- Matt Bredenkamp, Assistant Principal for Curriculum
- Christie Howard, Advanced Programs Coordinator
- Alexis Darrus, School Counselor
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- Rebecca Jones – FGCU Director of Accelerated Collegiate Experience

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FGCU PROGRAM AT A GLANCE



FGCU Collegiate Academy + AICE Diploma

- Freshmen and Sophomores entering the 2024-2025 school year will be eligible for the Cambridge AICE Diploma.
- AICE Diploma is SUPPLEMENTAL to the FGCU Collegiate Academy
- AICE Diploma requires passing 7 exams from 4 different groups.
- There are 3 Progressions to follow.
 - 60 FGCU Hours+ AICE Diploma
 - 48 FGCU Hours + AICE Diploma
 - FGCU Hours Only
- All progressions will offer Pre-AICE courses and 3 AICE courses as prerequisites



Cambridge/AICE Program

- Benefits of Cambridge
 - Earning college credits for free in high school
 - Prepares you for college courses
 - Teaches time management and study skills
 - A student earning the AICE diploma is **guaranteed** the top Florida Bright Futures Scholarship.
 - Students must fulfill their community service or work hours requirement
- Cambridge
 - Cambridge is the program and Advanced International Certificate of Education (AICE) is the name given to the exams and diploma
- Diploma Requirements
 - Passing 7 AICE exams
 - One exam must be the Global Perspectives Course
 - The other six exams come from one of the following groups:
 - Group 1: Mathematics and Science (G1)
 - Group 2: Languages (G2)
 - Group 3: Arts and Humanities (G3)
 - Group 4: Interdisciplinary and Skills-Based Subjects - Max of 2 (G4)



FGCU COLLEGIATE & AICE PROGRESSIONS



AICE Courses At BSHS

Group 1 - Math and Science

- **AICE Psychology***
- AICE Marine Science
- **AICE Env. Management***

Group 2 - Languages

- AICE Spanish Language
- AICE English Language

Core - Required Course

- Global Perspectives

****Can count for Group 1 or Group 3***

*****Courses being offered next year***

Group 3 - Humanities

- **AICE Psychology***
- AICE US History
- AICE Art & Design
- AICE Drama**
- AICE Media Studies
- AICE English Literature
- **AICE Env. Management***

Group 4 - Interdisciplinary

- AICE General Paper
- AICE Thinking Skills (AS)
- AICE Thinking Skills (A)**

FGCU COLLEGIATE ACADEMY REQUIREMENTS



INCOMING 9TH GRADERS

- **Program Requirements:**

- Unweighted cumulative middle school GPA \geq 3.0
- Level 3 or higher on most recent FSA ELA and Math assessments.
- Completed application submitted by January 26th with appropriate student enrollment information.



REQUIREMENTS FOR JUNIOR YEAR

- **Program Requirements Entering JUNIOR YEAR:**

- 3.7 Weighted GPA
- 3.0 Unweighted GPA
- ACT Score of 22 or higher AND
 - ALL Subscores of 19+or
- SAT Score of 1110 or higher AND
 - Subscores of 500+



THE FGCU EXPERIENCE



EXPERIENCE FGCU

- FGCU coursework begins in 11th grade
 - Some classes on the BSHS campus
 - Senior year - all FGCU classes on the FGCU campus
- Students are truly beginning their college career
- By the time they reach the end of 10th grade, students should:
 - Be able to manage their own responsibilities
 - Be able to advocate for themselves
 - Be ready to engage at both the high school and at FGCU
- Support for student success @ FGCU



COLLEGIATE ACADEMY BENEFITS

- FREE FGCU tuition while still in high school (11th and 12th grade)
- Earn college credit at the university level
- Access to campus resources - build your portfolio
- Guaranteed admission to FGCU following high school graduation
- Scholarship opportunities:
 - \$3,000 per year, renewable for 3 years - 24 earned FGCU credits, 3.0 FGCU GPA
 - \$5,000 per year, renewable for 3 years - Completion of Early College Honors Program and 3.0 FGCU GPA or 28 ACT or 1320 SAT, 24 earned FGCU credits, 3.0 FGCU GPA
 - Bright Futures is in addition to these



HEAR FROM THE BULL SHARKS



WHY THE FGCU COLLEGIATE ACADEMY AT BONITA?

- Flexibility of the program
- Smoother transition into college
- Quality of Life
- Quality of Educators
- Maximum amount of college credits possible in any program
- Exclusive scholarship opportunities to FGCU
- Financial Assistance through Bonita Bay
- No High Stakes Testing for FGCU courses
- AICE Diploma Options Available



Advanced Program Comparison Chart*



University	FGCU Collegiate Academy Dual Enrollment		Cambridge (AICE)		International Baccalaureate (IB)		Advanced Placement (AP)	
	Maximum FGCU CA Credit Hours Accepted	All Passing Exam Scores Accepted	Maximum Credit Hours Accepted	All Passing Exam Scores Accepted	Maximum Credit Hours Accepted	All Passing Exam Scores Accepted	Maximum Credit Hours Accepted	All Passing Exam Scores Accepted
FGCU	60	No Exams [^]	45	Yes	45	Yes	45	Yes
Florida	60	No Exams [^]	45	Yes	45	Yes	45	Yes
Florida State	60	No Exams [^]	45	Yes	45	Yes	45	Yes
Central Florida	60	No Exams [^]	45	Yes	45	Yes	45	Yes
Stetson	60	No Exams [^]	32	No (A, B, C only)	45	No (5 or higher)	45	Yes
Miami	60	No Exams [^]	No more than 60 combined**	No (A, B, C only)	No more than 60 combined**	No (varies by class)	No more than 60 combined**	No (varies by class)
Clemson	60	No Exams [^]	Not Specified	No (varies by class)	Not Specified	No (4 or higher)	Not Specified	Yes
Alabama	60	No Exams [^]	Limitations***	No (varies by class)	Limitations***	No (varies by class)	Limitations***	Yes

QUALIFICATIONS OF DUAL ENROLLMENT INSTRUCTORS

- Florida Teaching Certificate
- Subject Area Certification
- Masters Degree in Subject Area Being Taught
- Vetted by FGCU
- Approval of College Courses Sent to Bonita Springs High School



FGCU COLLEGIATE ACADEMY TEACHERS

Teacher: Mr. Wendland

- Composition 1
- Composition 2
- Introduction to Humanities
- Creative Writing

Teacher: Mrs. Vincent

- College Algebra
- PreCalculus

Teacher: Mrs. Rokusek

- Art Appreciation

Teacher: Mrs. Harrison

- Introduction to Env. Science



FGCU COLLEGIATE ACADEMY DATA



QUICK STATS

Ethnicity	Total	% of Program
Asian	24	4.4%
Black	8	1.5%
Hispanic	202	36.9%
Multi	25	4.6%
White	289	52.7%
Gender	Total	% of Program
Male	248	45.3%
Female	300	54.7%

Average GPA	
Weighted	3.94
Unweighted	3.51
College GPA	3.33
Average SAT and ACT Scores	
SAT	1217
ACT	26

FUN FACTS

There are 21 different languages that are spoken in the program

[EN] - English

[SP] - Spanish

[RM] - RUMANIAN, Romanian

[ML] - MALAYALAM

[AR] - Arabic

[HI] - HINDI

[PR] - Portuguese

[TH] - Thai

[VI] - Vietnamese

[HC] - Haitian-Creole

[KO] - Korean, Choson-o

[HU] - HUNGARIAN, Magyar

[GU] - GUJARATI

[CH] - CHINESE, Zhongwen

[AL] - Albanian, Shqip

[PO] - Polish

[SM] - Samoan

[KX] - Kanjoval

[SK] - Serbian, Srpski

[OT] - Other

[JA] - JAPANESE, Nihongo

FGCU Unique College Courses Taken

238



FGCU CA HISTORICAL DATA

Total Program Completions ('21-'23): 145

Total Earned Credits: 7,753

Average Credits: 52

Average College GPA: 3.41

Tuition Saved: \$1,606,337.82

Highest number of credits earned by one student: 63 credits



READY TO APPLY?



MAKE OUR FGCU COLLEGIATE ACADEMY YOUR #1 CHOICE

- Charter School Application Process
 - Register your child with LCSD [HERE](#)
- Everyone
 - Create a FOCUS Parent Portal Account [HERE](#)
 - View the video [HERE](#)

HAVE A GREAT
NIGHT!



QUESTIONS???

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