



\*Cardiopulmonary Science   \*Health Care Management   \*Health Informatics & Information Management

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## Greetings new and returning scholars,

A new year is here, and with it comes fresh energy, new ideas, and the excitement of what's ahead for the School of Allied Health Sciences (SOAHS). We're looking forward to sharing this journey with you!

**Mary Simmons, PhD**  
Dean, School of Allied Health Sciences



## This is SOAHS

Fall 2025 marks the start of a new chapter, and with it, we want to remind you what we're built on:

# BOLD MOVES

We're focused on preparation, leadership, and service because SOAHS scholars are built to make **BOLD MOVES** in health and beyond.

## Student Essentials

### SOAHS Academic Advisement Faculty & Staff

SOAHS academic advising faculty and staff are committed to supporting your academic journey. Contact us for guidance on course planning, program requirements, or general questions.

Please allow up to 48 hours for a response.

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### Did You Miss Class?

FOLLOW THE STEPS TO RECEIVE AN EXCUSE LETTER from the DEAN

- STEP 1** Notify your instructor/Office of Student Affairs via email immediately.
- STEP 2** Submit your excused absence request within 5 business days upon your return to campus via QR Code.
- STEP 3** The Office of Student Affairs will provide an approval/denial email decision within 7 business days.
- STEP 4** If clarification or additional supporting documentation is required, the student must submit it within three business days.
- STEP 5** Excused Absence Letter Approval/Denial will be distributed via email.



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### ACCEPTABLE EXCUSES

- > Bereavement
- > Medical Appointments:
  - Hospitalization/Doctor/Dental/Telehealth
- > Military Duty
- > University Events
  - Forum
  - Convocation
  - Designated athletes for sporting events
  - Designated student representatives for University business
- > Automobile Accidents

### UNACCEPTABLE EXCUSES

- > Leisure Trips:
  - Family and Personal Vacation Trips
- > Electronic Devices:
  - Malfunctioned/inoperable
- > Late Submission:
  - Assignments/Projects/Presentations
- > Membership Intake
- > Non-University Events (Unsanctioned Events)
- > Employment:
  - Orientation
  - Job Interview/Training
  - Work Schedule

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:  
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## STUDENT COMMUNICATION HUB SIGN UP

Please scan the QR Code, and complete the form in its entirety.

Allow up to 5 business days for your request to be processed.

Accept the invitation via Canvas, to receive School of Allied Health Sciences (SOAHS) Announcements.

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## SCAN THE QR

Stay Connected!

## Important Dates

FALL 2025	
August 25, 2025	• 1st Class Meeting
August 29, 2025	• Add/Drop Ends • Last day to submit online Insurance waiver-FAMU Student Health Services
September 1, 2025	Holiday – University Closed in Observance of Labor Day
September 8 ,2025	Last day to pay 100% of all fees without a late fee (\$100)
September 5 2025	Last Day to Appeal • Repeat Course Charge • Academic Appeals • Excess Credit Hours
October 20-24 2025	Spring 2026 Early Registration (By appointment only)
October 25 2025 – January 5, 2026	Spring 2026 Regular Online Registration
November 14, 2025	Last Day to Withdraw • Course withdrawal online (no paper form) • Term withdrawal (iRattler Student Center complete form)
November 14, 2025	Last Day to • Apply for Graduation • Submit Exception forms
November 11, 2025	Holiday – University Closed in Observance of Veterans Day
November 26-28, 2025	Holiday – University Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
December 5 2025	Last Day of Classes
December 8 - 12, 2025	Final Examination
December 12, 2025	Commencement [Degree Conferred Date]
December 16, 2025	Grades Available for Students to View

ATTENDANCE MANDATORY

## FALL 2025 STUDENT FORUM

SEPT 26<sup>th</sup> LEE HALL AUDITORIUM  
FRIDAY: 10 A.M. – NOON

\*Upon request an excuse letter from the Dean's Office will be provided as needed.\*

### Forum Topics

- Dean's Welcome
- Division Data Review
- SOAHS - Important Announcements
- SOAHS - Student Study Abroad Experiences
- SOAHS Student Organization Updates
- Active Shooter Updates and Demonstration

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL SCHOOL OF ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES MAJORS

- \*Cardiopulmonary Science \*Health Care Management
- \*Health Informatics & Information Management
- \*Health Science: General, Pre-OT, and Pre-PT
- \*Health Administration \*Occupational Therapy
- \*Physical Therapy

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## Calling All Fall 2025 Graduates

## IMPORTANT DATES

- Intent to Graduate form Available - August 25, 2025
- Deadline to apply online for graduation and be included in the commencement program - November 14, 2025
- Graduation - December 12, 2025

For more information please contact 850-599-3818

## FALL 2025 GRADUATES

Honor Cords and Cards will be distributed in the:

LEWIS-BECK ALLIED HEALTH SCIENCES BLDG., 3rd FLOOR ELEVATOR LOBBY

Wednesday, December 3, 2025 – Friday, December 12, 2025  
9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. ONLY

3.00 - 3.29  
\*Cum Laude - Orange cord

3.30 - 3.69  
\*\*Magna Cum Laude - Green cord

3.70 - 4.0  
\*\*\*Summa Cum Laude - Orange and Green cord each

Photo ID Required:

Make a \$20 donation to the University and receive your FAMU 1887 medallion to be worn with your graduation cap and gown.

Contact: Mrs. Marsha Baker at [marsha.baker@fam.u.edu](mailto:marsha.baker@fam.u.edu) or 850-599-3818

## Looking Ahead Together

As we open this new academic year, we are reminded that beginnings are full of promise and opportunity. This is only the start of what we know will be a year of growth, innovation, and meaningful achievements. We look forward to watching you push boundaries, embrace challenges, and step confidently into your purpose. Together, we will make this year one that leaves a lasting impact.

Sincerely,  
SOAHS Faculty & Staff

## Stay connected to SOAHS via social media!

Our communications team keeps you connected with everything happening in SOAHS on Instagram, Facebook, and LinkedIn. Click an icon below or find us at SOAHS\_FAMU1887.

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