

Just in **CASE** **FIU** Arts, Sciences & Education

A note from:

CASE Academic Advising

Welcome Panthers!

We are excited that you have chosen a program in FIU's College of Arts, Sciences & Education (CASE). As a new student, you will have the great benefit of receiving *Just In CASE*, a newsletter dedicated to helping you succeed during your first semester at FIU. Through this newsletter, you will learn about your College, the many exciting and innovative opportunities available to you, and the wealth of resources you can utilize to help you succeed – *Just In CASE* you need them.



Tips for Success

Top 8 tips to help you survive the first two weeks



1. **Know what to expect** - Each professor will include contact information, office hours, policies, assignment deadlines, exam dates, and more in the class syllabus, so keep them handy.
2. **Stay organized** - Keep a calendar/planner where you can jot down deadlines in one place.
3. **Get your textbooks** - Buy or rent them *now* through the [FIU Bookstore](#).
4. **Make friends** - Having study buddies in each class will help you stay connected, engaged, and promote academic success.
5. **Introduce yourself to your professors** - It's okay to approach your professor before or after class and say "Hi". They'll appreciate you did and you will, too.
6. **Arrive to campus early** - Traffic and parking can be hectic. Plan to be here 45-60 minutes before class to save yourself the stress.
7. **Pay for your classes** - Make sure your Financial Aid is in order or if you're paying for your classes make sure you do it by Wednesday, Jan. 18.
8. **Download the FIU Mobile App** - You'll have access to campus maps, your student portal, dining information, and much more. [Download the FIU app here.](#)

Eye on CASE

Lizards on the Loose!



FIU Biologist James T Stroud has created a new program called Lizards on the Loose. This program is designed to engage middle school students from the greater Miami area to engage in science and participate in their own ecological study. Over 1000 students have already collected information on anole lizards, the most common and abundant lizards in Miami, using a Field Identification Guide created by CASE PhD candidate Stroud.

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Did you know...



that this week is called **Add/Drop week?**

Add/Drop week begins the first day of the semester and ends exactly one week after classes begin. That means January 17th is the last day of add/drop for Spring 2017.

It's the perfect time to shuffle around classes in your schedule without any penalties.

Upcoming Events

January 9 - 13: [Week of Welcome](#)

January 13: [MLK Breakfast](#)

January 18: [Making Major Decisions \(BBC\)](#)

January 23: [Career & Talent Development Events](#)

February 6 - 10: [Panther Alumni Week](#)

February 22: [STEMCon](#)

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