




FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

Time	Event	Description
12:00pm - 8:00pm	<b>WELCOME &amp; CHECK IN</b> <b>Hosted by First Year Experience</b> Live Oak Ballroom: 4115 Pyxis Ln, Orlando, FL 32816	Welcome to Family Weekend 2025! Kick off the weekend by checking in and getting all your materials. Let's get ready for a memorable weekend!
11:30am - 1:30pm	<b>MI CASA ES SU CASA</b> Student Union, Room 207 <i>(Enter OSI SU 208 and proceed to Ginsburg Center in the back)</i>	All UCFamilia are invited to visit UCF's newest student space - LA CASA! Enjoy light refreshments and learn about how LA CASA supports students of all backgrounds in Cultivating Academic Student Achievement.
12:00pm - 6:00pm	<b>MARKET DAY</b> <b>Hosted by Student Union</b> Student Union Patio  <i>UCF Tradition</i>	The Student Union offers an incredible opportunity for student organizations and vendors to showcase their organization or products to a wide array of the UCF population at our popular Market Day. Nowhere else on campus is there a greater opportunity to be exposed to the thousands of students who traverse the 'heart of campus' each week.
12:00pm - 7:00pm	<b>PHOTOS WITH KNIGHTRO &amp; SPIRIT TEAM</b> Live Oak Ballroom & Pegasus Ballrooms	Come take pictures with our beloved mascot Knightro and the UCF Spirit Team! Don't miss this perfect picture opportunity!
12:00pm - 7:00pm	<b>BIG WELCOME SCAVENGER HUNT</b> Various Campus Locations	Get ready for an epic adventure! Prepare to learn and explore in a unique way! The Friday BIG welcome scavenger hunt will challenge your observation skills and test your knowledge as you follow clues and discover amazing things about our campus and community. It's a journey of discovery that's both educational and exciting. It's an engaging and entertaining way to spend time together! Gather your team and prepare for a challenge that will ignite your competitive spirit and test your wits!
12:00pm - 8:00pm	<b>RECREATION &amp; WELLNESS CENTER (RWC)</b> Recreation & Wellness Center	We're excited to welcome you to the Recreation and Wellness Center! To ensure a smooth and enjoyable visit, please note the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• All visitors must be over 18 years old.</li><li>• Families must always be accompanied by their UCF student and cannot be left alone in the facility.</li></ul> Thank you for your understanding and cooperation. We hope you have a wonderful time!
1:00pm - 3:00pm	<b>COLOR YOUR CAREER: EXPLORING CAREER PATHS THROUGH COLORING PAGES AND COLLAGE MAKING</b> <b>Kenneth Dixon Career Center Outdoor Patio</b> Building 140, 1st Floor, Room 115	Through coloring pages and hands-on collage making, students will explore career identity, values, and paths. Students will reflect in a creative format and leave with a visual narrative of their career journey to unleash their potential.



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3:00pm - 4:00pm	<b>DUCKS &amp; DONUTS</b> <b>Kenneth Dixon Career Center Outdoor Patio</b> Outside Building Entrance	Come to the Kenneth Dixon Career Development Center located on the north end of Memory Mall and race plastic ducks in a kiddie pool. Enjoy donuts after learning about what Experiential Learning can do for you!
4:00pm - 8:00pm	<b>KNIGHT ARCADE AND GAME ROOM</b> Student Union, Key West Ballroom	Come and enjoy an arcade-themed room with video games, a dance machine, table hockey virtual BINGO, coloring, board games and more!
4:00pm - 8:00pm	<b>RESOURCE &amp; REGISTERED STUDENT ORGANIZATION FAIR</b> <b>Hosted by UCF Departments and Student Organizations</b> Student Union, First Floor	Stop by the UCF Resource & RSO Fair! This dynamic event brings together campus departments, support services, and registered student organizations (RSOs) in one convenient location. <div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Academic Advancement Programs (AAP)</li><li>• Academic Success Coaching</li><li>• Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.</li><li>• Alpha Xi Chapter of Chi Upsilon Sigma National Latin Sorority, Inc.</li><li>• American Chemical Society</li><li>• American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics</li><li>• American Marketing Association at UCF</li><li>• Aspect Dance Team</li><li>• Baptist Collegiate Ministries</li><li>• Best Buddies at UCF</li><li>• Beta Psi Omega</li><li>• Blackstone LaunchPad</li><li>• Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS)</li><li>• Caribbean Student Association (CSA)</li><li>• Chilean Student Association</li><li>• Circle K International</li><li>• College of Arts and Humanities</li><li>• College of Graduate Studies</li><li>• Department of Emergency Management</li></ul></div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Experiential Learning</li><li>• Fashion Society</li><li>• First Year Experience</li><li>• Forensic Science Association</li><li>• ForgetYouNot@UCF</li><li>• Gamma Phi Beta</li><li>• Gift of Life</li><li>• Ginsburg Center</li><li>• Global Medical Brigades</li><li>• Graphic Design Student Association</li><li>• Hack@UCF (Collegiate Cyber Defense Club)</li><li>• Housing &amp; Residence Life</li><li>• International Medical Outreach (IMO)</li><li>• Knights of Fiber Arts</li><li>• Knights Rock Band</li><li>• Knights Satellite Club</li><li>• Korean Culture Club</li><li>• Lambda Theta Phi Latin Fraternity Inc.</li><li>• LGBTQ+ Student Support Services (SSS) &amp; Multicultural Student Center (MSC)</li><li>• Marine Environment Robotics</li><li>• Medlife UCF</li><li>• Military and Veteran Student Success</li><li>• National Council of Negro Women, Inc.</li><li>• Office of Academic Advocacy</li></ul></div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Office of Nondiscrimination &amp; Accommodations Compliance</li><li>• Office of Student Involvement</li><li>• Office of Undergraduate Studies</li><li>• Outlanders at UCF</li><li>• Parking and Transportation Services</li><li>• Pegasus Math Club</li><li>• Pegasus Pilots</li><li>• PERIOD. @ UCF</li><li>• Perfect Pair</li><li>• Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Law Fraternity</li><li>• Planned Parenthood Gen Action (PPGA)</li><li>• Pre-Professional Medical Society (PPMS)</li><li>• Project Spotlight</li><li>• Relay for Life at UCF</li><li>• Rotaract at UCF</li><li>• RUKUS Entertainment</li><li>• Society for Human Resources Management</li><li>• Student Care Services</li><li>• Student Health Services</li><li>• Student Legal Services</li><li>• Students for the Exploration and Development of Space</li><li>• Students For Salt</li><li>• Taekwondo Club at UCF</li></ul></div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Transfer Center</li><li>• Turkish Students Association</li><li>• UCF Pre-Student Osteopathic Medical Association (Pre-SOMA)</li><li>• UCF Abroad</li><li>• UCF Campus Store</li><li>• UCF Dining</li><li>• UCF Graduate Studies</li><li>• UCF Libraries</li><li>• UCF Police Department</li><li>• UnionWest Student Living</li><li>• University Writing Center</li><li>• Veterans Medical Outreach</li><li>• We in Animation @ UCF</li><li>• Wellness and Health Promotion Services</li><li>• Women’s Ultimate Frisbee</li><li>• Young Investors Club</li></ul></div></div>
6:00pm - 7:00pm	<b>PEP RALLY</b> Pegasus Ballroom	Join us for a pre-game boost! Get fired up for the game with the UCF cheer team and Knightro. There may even be a surprise guest from the Athletics department and a chance to win an autographed item!



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4:30pm - 5:15pm 6:30pm - 7:15pm 7:45pm - 8:30pm	<b>SAK IMPROV COMEDY SHOW</b> Student Union, Cape Florida Ballroom ★ <i>SIGNATURE EVENT</i>	Since 1991, SAK Comedy's professional ensemble of improv actors has entertained audiences with their unique brand of live improvised comedy. They take the audience's suggestions and make up characters, scenes, and songs on the spot. Arrive early, these are likely to fill quickly. <i>(Limit: One show per family)</i>



6:00pm - 9:00pm	<b>FAMILY WEEKEND CARNIVAL</b> Hosted by Late Knights Memory Mall ★ <i>SIGNATURE EVENT</i>	Saddle Up for Family Weekend with Late Knights! Join us on Memory Mall for an evening of friendly family fun! Whether it's testing your bull-riding skills, getting custom airbrush merchandise, or getting a family caricature portrait, the Late Knights Carnival is the place to be! <i>(Inclement weather location, Pegasus Ballroom)</i>
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# SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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8:00am - 12:00pm	<b>SATURDAY CHECK IN</b> <b>Hosted by Hosted by First Year Experience</b> Live Oak Ballroom: 4115 Pyxis Ln, Orlando, FL 32816	Welcome to Family Weekend 2025! Missed Friday’s check-in? No worries: you can check in today, get all your materials and enjoy a weekend of family fun. See you there!
9:00am - 2:00pm	<b>KNIGHT ARCADE &amp; GAME ROOM</b> Student Union, Key West Ballroom	Come and enjoy an arcade-themed room with video games, a dance machine, table hockey virtual BINGO, coloring, board games and more!
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9:30am - 12:00pm	<b>BHC FAMILY WEEKEND RECEPTION</b> Burnett Honors College, 12778 Aquarius Agora Dr., Orlando, FL 32816	Current Burnett Honors Scholars, families and friends are invited to stop by the BHC to see Deans Sheila and Marty, learn more about student research, sit in on mini lectures by UCF professors, and enjoy a continental breakfast!
4:00pm - 6:00pm	<b>FAMILY WEEKEND TAILGATE</b> <b>Hosted by UCF Advancement</b> Acrisure Bounce House Near Gate 17	Tailgate with us before our UCF Knights take on the North Carolina A&T Aggies <i>Separate ticket purchase was required as this event is not included in Family Weekend Friday-Sunday package.</i>
7:00pm Kick-off	<b>FOOTBALL GAME</b> Acrisure Bounce House	Come cheer on our UCF Knights as they play against North Carolina A&T Aggies! <i>Separate ticket purchase required.</i>





SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 | MAIN CAMPUS

Time	Event	Description
8:00 am	<b>9/11 STAIR CLIMB</b> Acrisure Bounce House, Gate 10	Join the UCF Military and Veteran Success Center, UCF Army and Air Force ROTC, UCF First Responders, and other local organizations and climb 2,200 steps as a tribute to the firefighters who fearlessly entered the World Trade Center to save lives.
9:00am-11:00am	<b>WELL-BEING WARRIORS 5K</b> Memory Mall	Join us as we celebrate resilience, unity, and the power of coming together. This event will emphasize the importance of supporting one another and raising awareness. Together, we will take strides to make a meaningful difference and inspire hope, strength, and connection within our campus community. <b>(check-in opens at 8:15am in the Fairwinds Alumni Center and will close at 11:00am)</b>
10:00am-2:00pm	<b>CHILDREN’S ENTREPRENEUR MARKET</b> Memory Mall	The Children’s Entrepreneur Market is an award-winning program that teaches young people about the power of entrepreneurship, innovation and leadership through experiential learning. Come shop the local goods and fare offered by some of Orlando’s brightest.
10:00am-2:00pm	<b>FAMILY FUN DAY &amp; PICNIC</b> Memory Mall	Finish the weekend with some wholesome family fun. Bring your chairs and blankets and join us out on Memory Mall for yard games, music, and food provided by UCF Dining Services
10:00am-2:00pm	<b>BOUNCE HOUSE</b> Memory Mall	For our younger attendees, come and enjoy a full-sized jumbo bounce house. It’s not UCF’s infamous FBC Mortgage Stadium (Bounce House) but still equally fun.
10:00am-2:00pm	<b>DUNK TANK</b> Memory Mall	Splish Splash in our Family Weekend Dunk Tank. Students, dunk your loved ones or families dunk your student. It will surely close out the weekend making some great memories.
11:00am-2:00pm	<b>LUNCH AT KNIGHTRO’S DINING HALL</b> 12791 E Plaza Dr, Orlando, FL 32816	Come enjoy some tasty barbecue inspired foods to close out Family Weekend.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 | MAIN CAMPUS

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	MOCK LECTURES	
11:15am-12:00pm	<b>DIVING IN HEADFIRST: THE MAGIC OF IMMERSION IN ENTERTAINMENT</b> Dr. Ray Eddy Classroom Bldg. 2, Room 101	“Theme parks, video, virtual reality, augmented reality, and now artificial intelligence ... what’s next? This session will discuss what makes entertainment immersive, and how we might create new, exciting immersive entertainment in the future.”
12:30pm-1:15pm	<b>ARISTOTLE ON THE GOAL OF LIFE</b> Dr. Brian Reese Classroom Bldg. 2, Room 106	Is there a goal of life? If so, what might it be? Aristotle not only carefully considered these questions but was the first western thinker to both fully articulate and address them. His answers are both simple and surprising.
11:15 am-12:00 pm	<b>WHO ARE YOU: DIFFERENTIATING SELF-ESTEEM AND SELF-EFFICACY</b> Dr. Alisha Janowsky Classroom Bldg. 2, Room 101	How do you answer the question, “who am I?” This session will discuss feelings of self-concept, self-esteem, and self-efficacy. We will discuss theories and real world applications in addition to a class demonstration.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7 | DOWNTOWN CAMPUS

11:00am - 1:00pm

**THE SUNDAY SEND-OFF:  
A DOWNTOWN BRUNCH**  
Downtown Campus

★ *SIGNATURE EVENT*

Close out the weekend in style with The Sunday Send-Off: A Downtown Brunch. Join us for a vibrant gathering in the heart of the city where good food, great company, and weekend memories come together one last time.  
**RSVP:** <https://forms.office.com/r/xzZ6DnVFBN>



# RECOMMENDED FAMILY ACTIVITIES IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

Activity/Place	Event Description	Location	Time	Additional Cost
DISNEY SPRINGS	Featuring free admission and free, covered parking, the open-air DISNEY SPRINGS® dining, shopping and entertainment district at WALT DISNEY WORLD® Resort invites you to enjoy remarkable architecture, natural beauty and free family fun that includes live performances and other entertaining interludes.	1486 Buena Vista Dr, Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830	Sunday-Thursday: 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM  Friday-Saturday: 10:00 AM - 11:30 PM	Free Admission
DISNEY'S BOARDWALK	Experience the timeless charm of Disney's BoardWalk, a quarter-mile promenade of exquisite dining, unique shops and exciting nightlife. Stroll along the water's edge, play afternoon midway games and discover evening street performers. Evoking turn-of-the-century boardwalks in such coastal cities as Coney Island and Atlantic City, Disney's BoardWalk is a short stroll to Epcot and a breezy boat ride to Disney's Hollywood Studios.	2101 North Epcot Resorts Boulevard Lake Buena Vista, FL 32830	Shopping: 8 a.m.to 11 p.m Entertainment: 7 p.m. to 2 a.m.	Free Admission
FARMER'S MARKET	This weekly outdoor farmer's market occurs at Lake Eola Park and provides patrons the opportunity to purchase food, plants and handmade craft items. In addition to exploring the Orlando's Farmer's Market, you can take a walk around the lake and see the famous swans and other birds, rent a swan-shaped paddle boat to explore the lake or grab a bite to eat at one of the local restaurants around the lake. Farmer's Market and Lake are dog-friendly	Corner of E. Central Blvd and N. Eola Drive Orlando, Florida 32806	Every Sunday 10 A.M. - 3 P.M	Free Admission
ICON PARK	ICON Park is a 20-acre, open-air, gate free entertainment destination with plenty of fun and adventures for the whole family. The perfect place to ride, dine, drink and explore. Located in the heart of Orlando's International Drive, ICON Park offers more than 50 amazing restaurants, funky bars, boutique shops and can't-miss attractions, all anchored by The Wheel, a jaw-dropping observation wheel that stands 400 feet in the air. Enjoy free parking and park admission. Learn more at <a href="http://ICONParkOrlando.com">ICONParkOrlando.com</a> .	8375 International Drive Orlando, FL 32819	10 a.m. to 2 a.m.	Free Admission
LAKE NONA SCULPTURE PARK	The Lake Nona Sculpture Garden is home to a distinguished selection of works from one of the world's largest private art menageries, The Lewis Collection. Accordingly, it is a must-visit for art aficionados of all ages.	6100 Wave Hotel Dr, Orlando, FL 32827	9 a.m. to 5 p.m.	Free Admission

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NATURE PRESERVES	The Orlando area boasts numerous nature preserves. These include the Tibet-Butler Preserve near Winter Garden to the west, Split Oak Forest Wildlife and Environmental Area about 35 minutes east of Orlando, and Ocala National Forest, which is approximately 90 minutes north of our tourism districts.	Specific to each preserve	Specific to each preserve	Free Admission
	NIGHTLY OPERA			
	Every evening, weather permitting, the posh Loews Portofino Bay Hotel at Universal Orlando hosts Musica della Notte (Music of the Night). Starting at sunset, the free event features traditional opera, upbeat melodies and singular blend of pop music and opera appropriately called popera.	5601 Universal Boulevard Orlando, FL 32819	Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Free Admission
	OLD TOWN ENTERTAINMENT DISTRICT			
	Get a feel for Florida communities of yesteryear, complete with authentic architecture and distinctive storefronts, at this free attraction in Kissimmee just minutes from WALT DISNEY WORLD® Resort. In addition to paid attractions, dining and shopping, Old Town has a robust schedule of free events featuring classic car shows and live entertainment.	5770 West Irlo Bronson Memorial Highway, SUITE 323 Kissimmee, FL 34746	Monday - Sunday 10 a.m. to 11 p.m.	Free Admission
PARKS AND GARDENS	Enjoy local parks, forests and gardens with free entry. Top options include Lake Eola Park in downtown Orlando’s Thornton Park District, Lake Lorna Doone Park in downtown’s West Lakes Market Street District, Mead Botanical Garden and Kraft Azalea Garden in Winter Park, and Dr. P. Phillips Community Park near International Drive.	5601 Universal Boulevard Orlando, FL 32819	Monday - Thursday 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.	Free Admission
UNIVERSAL CITY WALK	Parking is free after 6 p.m. <b>(For special events Aug. 27<sup>th</sup> through Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, parking is \$40)</b> and admission is always free at this 30-acre entertainment complex at Universal Orlando Resort. Free activities include dance parties set to live DJ sets, splash areas for kids, and water taxis that travel to and from several Universal Orlando official hotel properties, no stay required.	6000 Universal Blvd, Orlando, FL 32819	Sunday - Thursday 8:00 AM - 12:00 AM Friday - Saturday 8:00 AM - 1:00 AM	Free Admission