



# JU Parent and Family Programs

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## Toast to JU on April 12th

Help Jacksonville University celebrate our 84th birthday by participating in a Global Toast event across the country or in your home on Thursday, April 12th! Raise a glass to celebrate JU's birthday with Dolphin families, alumni and friends in your city. [RSVP online](#) or by calling (904) 256-7201.

- [Atlanta](#): Terrapin Taproom, 6 p.m. Host: Lauren Clemens '08
- [Boston](#): The Met Bar & Grill, 6 p.m. Host: Patty Gaudino '86
- [Houston](#): Le Méridien, 5:30 p.m. Host: Joey Sanchez '09/'10
- [New Orleans](#): Café du Monde, 5:30 p.m. Host: Casey Hampton '07
- New York City: Location TBD Host: Eileen O'Malley '10
- [Orlando](#): Firebirds, 6 p.m. Host: Barry Johnson '05
- [Washington, D.C.](#): Sauf Haus, 6 p.m. Host: Allie Konig '14

If you can't make it to an event, throw your *Fins Up* and toast to JU with your [morning coffee](#) or happy hour beverage! Post your selfie with #JUtoast and/or send it to us at [family@ju.edu](mailto:family@ju.edu).

[Learn more about Global Toast here.](#)



## Show Your Dolphin Pride: Charter Week and Big Green Give

On Friday, April 13th, your student is likely participating in our annual [Charter Day of Service](#). Giving back to our communities is something engrained in every Dolphin's DNA, and we are encouraging our parents to participate in Jacksonville or from afar! Local parents can [participate in one of our Jacksonville service projects](#), as well as join us for [Art Walk](#) and the on-campus [TEDxJacksonville salon](#) during Charter Week.

Share a photo of a time your family served your community using the hashtag #JUgives or by sending it in to us at [family@ju.edu](mailto:family@ju.edu). All submissions are entries for a chance to win exclusive Dolphin gear!

**The Big Green Give, JU's annual day of giving, will also take place on April 13th.** Last year, more than 1,900 Dolphins like you raised more than \$300,000 to support student scholarships and programs. We need your help to impact the lives of JU students in need.

Together, gifts of *any size* can make a difference. And together – parents, alumni, students, and faculty – we are stronger in supporting our fellow Dolphins. [Mark your calendar and make a gift online on April 13th.](#)



## Contact JU Parent and Family Programs

Phone: (904) 256-7535

Email: [family@ju.edu](mailto:family@ju.edu)

## Connect

[Learn more about the President's Parents Council.](#)



## Dates to Remember

April 5: JU Health Fair

April 9-14: [Charter Week](#)

April 12: [Global Toast](#) events across the country

April 13: [Big Green Give](#)

April 26: Master & Doctoral [Commencement](#) Ceremony

April 27: [Senior Stroll](#) and Graduate Reception

April 27: Last day of dining service for the semester

April 28: Bachelor's Degree [Commencement](#) Ceremony

April 28: Residence Halls and Apartments close for the semester (10 a.m.)

April 29: Residence Halls and Apartments close for graduating seniors (10 a.m.)

May 11-19: Dolphin Travel Program - [Greece](#)

October 12-14: Homecoming & Family Weekend

[2017-18 Academic Calendar](#)

[FAFSA renewal](#) now open for Fall 2018. Contact [finaid@ju.edu](mailto:finaid@ju.edu) with questions.



## President's Corner

[Honoring Those Who Make Us Better](#)



## JU in the News - CFA Institute Research Challenge Champions

Jacksonville University's team of future investment management professionals, along with a team from just one other school, have been named the Americas Regional Champions of the CFA Institute Research Challenge! This is an annual global competition that provides university students with hands-on mentoring and intensive training in financial analysis.

The Americas Regional of the CFA Institute Research Challenge was held in Boston on March 19 and 20. Fifty-four university teams comprised of more than 250 students from South America, the US and Canada competed for the title of Americas Regional Champions. FINS UP to students Henry Crayton, Maria Juliana Fueyo, and Jamie Seim, who made up our team!

[Read more from the CFA Institute.](#)



## Affordable International Travel

This summer, join us on a nine-day Grecian gullivant for only \$1,999! Grab your #PhinFam and register now to claim your spot - you don't want to miss this itinerary including the ancient city of Corinth, Athens and the Parthenon, the shores of Tolo, and more.

[View the full itinerary and find details on how to join us here.](#) Contact Maria Pellegrino-Yokitis at [mpelleg@ju.edu](mailto:mpelleg@ju.edu) or (904) 256-7928 for more information on the Dolphin Travel Program.



## Parent Spotlight: The Herring Family

President's Parents Council members Melanie '03 and Paul Herring P'20 are Dolphins for Life! Melanie is a graduate of the University's EMBA program and their son is a sophomore in the Aviation program. Melanie and Paul regularly attend University events and are volunteer ambassadors of the President's Parents Council. Recently, they started a company called [Dorm Pack Pros](#), offering services to college and university students including turn-key summer storage solutions.

We thank Melanie and Paul, and all the President's Parents Council members for their involvement with the University. To get involved please contact the Office of Parent and Family Programs at [family@ju.edu](mailto:family@ju.edu).

March is Women's History Month! Through the end of this month, JU will be collecting items for the Women's Center of Jacksonville and DESC (Downtown Ecumenical Services Council). JU has also been hosting [athletic, educational and Fine Arts events](#).

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## ASPIRE Campaign Progress

With your help, we've raised **\$115,876,918** of our \$120 million goal as of March 2, 2018. Thank you for investing in JU students and faculty!

## Support JU Students

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"To be brutally honest, I don't think any words I put down can do justice to my 3 months in Spain. I had a lot of expectations and they were all surpassed. As an International Business major, I broadened my global perspective as well as developed a better understanding of business on an international level. I was able to visit top international companies like ROCA and attend Master classes by Harvard professors..."

- Natasha Ubani '20

[Read Natasha's full testimonial on Instagram.](#)

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