

Future Fest, Family Weekend, JU's highest ranking ever and more.



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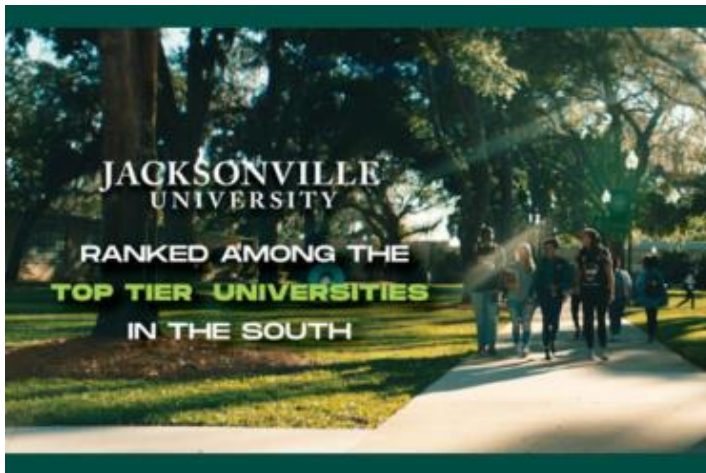
Homecoming & Family Weekend is just a month away! Have you registered yet? Visit www.ju.edu/familyweekend today to register and shape your Family Weekend experience - registration closes on October 14.

- If you are travelling, [reserve your room in one of our hotel blocks](#). Cutoff dates are approaching for our discounted group rates
- Review the [schedule of events](#)
- Stock up on [JU gear!](#)

We can't wait to see you on campus soon.

[Register for Family Weekend](#)

Questions or feedback? Email teamju@ju.edu or call (904) 256-7201.



JU Achieves Highest Ever Best Colleges Ranking

Jacksonville University achieved its highest ranking in school history in [U.S. News & World Report's](#) annual Best Colleges Rankings, jumping nearly 30 spots to place 28th among 136 schools in the [Regional Universities South](#) category.

U.S. News & World Report also ranked Jacksonville University:

- 16 (38 last year) in Best Colleges for Veterans
- 38 (48 last year) in Best Value Schools
- 42 in Best Online Nursing Graduate Programs

[Read more in WAVE Magazine Online.](#)

Future Fest Welcomes JU Community to New Academic Year

The JU Community celebrated the new school year in style at Future Fest on Thursday, Aug. 29 at River House. There were photo booths and infinity rooms, interactive installations, music performed by faculty and students, the unveiling of the new JU [Dive Into Your Future video](#), a [chainsaw-carved dolphin sculpture](#) that gave new purpose to a storm damaged tree, and an alumni-painted mural on the patio of the River House Pub!

[Check out photos from the event in WAVE Magazine Online.](#)

Contact the Office of Parent and Family Engagement

Phone: (904) 256-7599

Email: family@ju.edu

Connect

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

[Fill out the Parent Information Form](#) to ensure your contact information is up-to-date and stay on top of all things JU!



2019 Dates to Remember

October 3: Dolphin Delivery to Florida Blue (Jacksonville)

October 18-20: [Homecoming & Family Weekend](#)

October 27: [JU Outing at the Jaguars](#)

November 6: [Atlanta Dolphin Club Social](#)

November 11: Veteran's Day, no classes scheduled

November 25-29: Thanksgiving Holiday, no classes scheduled

December 9-13: Final Examinations Week

December 14 - January 5: Winter Break

[Dolphin Travel Program 2020](#)

[Academic Calendar](#)

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Career Expo 2019

This year's [Career Expo](#) is Wednesday, October 2 from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. in Historic Swisher Gym. The Career Resource Center will welcome 60+ companies and organizations looking to recruit JU students for jobs and internships. The Career Expo is an excellent opportunity for your student to make connections that can lead to future employment. Students will not want to miss JU's largest career event of the year!

Parents and family members: please encourage your JU student to register for the Career Expo in [Handshake](#), our career platform that connects students to employers.

Note from the Office of Financial Services

[FAFSA](#) for the 2020-2021 academic year opens on October 1!

Did you know your student can designate you as an authorized user on their student account so you can easily view and make payments on their account online?

Steps for your student to add a new Authorized User:

- Log in to [Self Service](#) using your JU Login Credentials
- Navigate to the "User Options" on the left side of the page
- Select "View/Add Authorized User Access"
- Click on the Drop down under "Select an Authorized User"
- Select "Add Another User"

[View an online tutorial for giving Authorized User access and other Financial Services resources.](#)



A Sign of Progress

Our mission has always been focused on developing engaged global citizens and preparing them for a successful future. We're not in it for the rankings and recognitions. However, we do understand the impact rankings can have, particularly in recruiting talented students and faculty.

[Read the full letter from President Cost.](#)

[Support JU Students](#)



This year at Saturday on the St. Johns, alumni Paul Jackson '18 and DeAndre Lettsome '17 of [Let's Ride Brass Band](#) will be sharing their talent with the JU Family!

These Linda Berry Stein College of Fine Arts graduates are bringing "That Duval Sound" to the rest of the world. Founder, Paul Jackson Live, cast this 11-piece ensemble with young, experienced, talented and educated musicians. Members range from intense training in classical, jazz, music theatre, and music theory.

[Get your ticket for Saturday on the St. Johns during Homecoming & Family Weekend](#) to see these recent graduates perform live!



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