

**Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences
College of Agricultural and Life Sciences**

Developing the Next Generation of
Dreamers and Doers



THE OPPORTUNITY:

Dean for UF's College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

If you have the passion, energy and vision to lead one of the country's most dynamic colleges at a top ten university, we would like to hear from you.



WE'RE CULTIVATING LEADERS

Become part of our growing story

In the College of Agricultural and Life Sciences, we are producing the next generation of biologists, communicators, doctors, attorneys, teachers, farmers, ranchers, and scientists. Our students are learning from the top minds and best teachers in agricultural and life sciences. We encourage our students to seek experiential learning opportunities beyond the classroom, ensuring they are society-ready when they earn their degree.

MISSION

The College of Agricultural and Life Sciences delivers unsurpassed educational programs that prepare students to address the world's critical challenges related to agriculture, food systems, human wellbeing, natural resources, and sustainable communities.

VISION

Be the premier land-grant college of agriculture and related sciences.

We will be known for excellence and innovation in teaching and for the readiness of our graduates for leadership. We will be the destination of choice for students seeking academic programs in agriculture, natural resources, and related sciences and the pre-eminent source of talent for employers, graduate programs, and professional schools.

Roles and responsibilities

Provide Visionary Leadership

- Offer dynamic leadership in alignment with the mission of a comprehensive land-grant institution with preparing the next generation of leaders. This includes addressing the issues and opportunities associated to solve the world's critical challenges related to agriculture, food systems, human wellbeing, natural resources, and sustainable communities.

Oversee Academic Programs

- Lead and manage all academic programs, including undergraduate, graduate, and non-degree offerings, across Gainesville, UF/IFAS statewide locations, and online platforms.

Fiscal Management

- Provide fiscal leadership, overseeing the allocation of the college's resources within UF/IFAS units and the CALS Dean's Office to support academic programs, managing an annual budget averaging \$50 million.
- Secure private endowments and increase extramural funding to bolster academic programs.

Enhance Student Development and Engagement

- Lead initiatives for student development, retention, and recruitment, including career services and alumni relations.

Programmatic Leadership and Faculty Management

- Provide leadership in teaching and learning initiatives across UF/IFAS, and participate in faculty hiring, placement, tenure, and promotion processes for UF/IFAS faculty.
- Collaborate closely with UF/IFAS Deans as a collaborative member of the UF/IFAS Leadership Team.
- Represent UF/IFAS within the University of Florida on all academic matters and work closely with the Office of the Provost, the Dean of the Graduate School, Deans of the other UF colleges, and other University Leadership.

Professional Engagement

- Actively engage as a member of the Academic Programs Section (APS) in professional organizations such as the APLU Board on Agriculture Assembly and the Association of Southern Academic Programs.

CALS Innovative Programs

The college supports both students and faculty in continued development and growth. Students can immerse themselves in the world of agriculture and related sciences to discover a career and grow their skills in an area that fits their passion. Faculty can also take part in developmental programs to enhance their teaching and mentoring abilities to support students.

Applications for this position will be accepted at go.ufl.edu/cals-dean-position



AI University

Since 2022, more than 2,700 students have completed at least one CALS course with an artificial intelligence component. Students can also complete one of three AI-focused certificates in CALS, and faculty can build AI into their curricula and research.

Field & Fork Campus Food Program



The Field & Fork Farm and Gardens provide access for students, faculty, staff and community members for collaborative learning opportunities related to agriculture and food systems. Students are able to grow food in a production setting and the harvested crops are donated to the Alan and Cathy Hitchcock Field & Fork Pantry to help Gators in need.

Extension Internships

In collaboration with the UF/IFAS Dean for Extension, CALS students are placed and prepared for a summer Extension internship through a for-credit spring course.

Florida Youth Institute

FYI This week-long residential summer program exposes high school students to careers in agriculture, natural resources and related sciences. Participants spend time on campus learning from experts in the field, while developing an understanding for how everyone can play a part in solving the world's critical challenges related to food security.

VP Promise



Every undergraduate student should have the opportunity for a high-impact experiential learning experience beyond the classroom. The Vice President's Promise is a streamlined scholarship to support student participation in these programs.

Roche Teaching Scholars

This year-long, cohort-based program to develop teaching leadership helps faculty participants assess who they are as teachers and identify unique characteristics that influence how they teach and design courses.

Mentor Academy

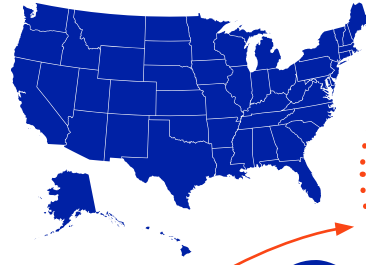
This semester-long program is for faculty to develop themselves as better mentors, learning how to support the career and psychosocial development of their student and postdoctoral mentees.

UF/IFAS College of Agricultural and Life Sciences

FAST FACTS



CALS awards the largest undergraduate scholarship portfolio at UF with more than **\$1 million** in college and department scholarships



CALS students represent **87** different countries; come from all **50** states



CALS has one of the **top 5 highest enrollments** in study abroad programs at UF, with **20+** college-specific programs across **6** continents



11:1
student-to-faculty ratio

CALS hosts **Florida Youth Institute**, a week-long summer program for high schoolers to explore **science careers** that help solve global food insecurity

73% of bachelor's graduates live and work in Florida
58% of bachelor's graduates plan to earn an advanced degree
71% of bachelor's graduates complete a study abroad, research or internship experience

- 25** graduate majors
- 22** undergraduate majors
- 18** STEM majors in CALS, the most out of all colleges at UF
- 6** undergraduate pre-health majors

11 master's & **4** bachelor's degrees **online**



TOP 5

One of the 5 largest colleges of agriculture and related sciences in the U.S.



45+
student organizations

6,582 total students

- 2,278** graduate students
- 419** non-degree students
- 3,885** undergraduate students

42,000+ living alumni around the world

CALS has **more USDA teaching awards** than any other land-grant institution



Home of the **ONLY** formal undergraduate upper-division Honors Certificate Program at UF