UCF increases tuition
SGA president fought hikes up to 15 percent

**Patricia Xavier**
**Staff Writer**

Barbara Lewis sat outside Million Hall on Friday with her three sons, all of whom attend UCF. She's a teacher for the Palm Beach School District, and she knows all too well the pain of a school stock with less money than it asked for a situation UCF now faces. Lewis just heard some bad news; this fall, she'll pay 9.5 percent more to send her sons to UCF.

Earlier Friday afternoon on the third floor of Million Hall, UCF President John Hitt, Student Body President Brian Battles and UCF’s Board of Trustees talked via conference call with the presidents of Florida’s public universities. Faced with a smaller budget than they expected, the university representatives had to decide how to close the gap between budgets and revenues created by the new state budget.

The budget signed June 9 by Gov. Jeb Bush allowed universities to have at least 15 percent more to send her sons to UCF.

### Huddleston upholds policy setting 2.5 GPA for leaders

**Daniel Holbert**
**Contributing Writer**

Bringing an end to lobbying by student groups that opposed the rule, Tom Huddleston, UCF’s vice president for Student Development and Enrollment Services, has upheld a new policy requiring those in campus leadership positions to have at least a 2.5 GPA.

The students who recommend changes to UCF’s code of student conduct, known as the Golden Rule, further hoped to exempt Student Government Association officials from the requirement—which was raised last spring from a 2.0—but also were denied by Huddleston.

Most public universities in Florida require student leaders to maintain only a 2.0, the minimum needed to maintain academic good standing. UCF, however, raised that standard for student leaders to 2.5 in 2001.

UCF’s Golden Rule defines those leadership positions as student government officials, officers of active registered student organizations, members of department-sponsored groups and members of university committees.

Huddleston approved the change to 2.5 to boost academic performance. The change originally was recommended by the Golden Rule Review Committee: Former Student Body President Marco Pesta subsequently objected, saying that very few students actually were aware of or voted on the proposal.

After the change went through, the Golden Rule Review Committee voted again, 9-2, to restore the 2.0 GPA requirement, and unanimously approved a recommendation to exempt SGA officials, who wanted to set their own GPA standard. Former Student Body President Brian O’Brien, president of UCF’s SGA, also remains on the committee.

### FCC vote loosens ownership restrictions on media companies

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Criticism of the Federal Communications Commission continues to grow after the FCC’s three Republican commissioners approved a vote earlier this month to relax media ownership rules.

The new regulations, which will remove strict limitations on newspaper, media and radio companies, have many worried, including professional journalists, that a few large companies will be left to control what the general public hears and sees.

U.S. Representative D. Scott (R-Fla.) is among the companies that have asked the FCC to ease restrictions.

### Inside

**Student Body President Brian Battles, second from left, met with UCF President John Hitt, center, and the board of trustees Friday during a conference call to discuss tuition increases of up to 15 percent, which passed with a vote of 8 to 1.**

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**Huddleston**

Huddleston, at a June 12 meeting of the SGA Senate, discussed his view of the recent change that requires student leaders at UCF to maintain a minimum 2.5 GPA.

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The FCC’s vote loosens restrictions on media ownership for the media and the public.

"This raises critical questions on diversity of ownership and prints of view and the so-called "marketplace of ideas" that the press and broadcasting are supposed to facilitate," he said.

With more concentrated ownership, there will be fewer voices that possess the power of the electronic and print media," he said. "Faster voices, fewer ideas. If you only have three owners in a market of eight."
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Students charged for fatal dorm fire

Two students were arrested and charged with starting a deadly fire at Seton Hall University that killed three and injured 53 others. Another Seton Hall student was charged with hindering the investigation.

After a three-year investigation, an Essex County grand jury charged Joseph T. Lepore, now a student at the University of Delaware, and Sean Ryan, a senior at Seton Hall, with arson, bribery, murder, manslaughter, and other crimes in connection with the dorm fire, which took place during the early morning of Jan. 19, 2000. The two suspect students are accused of draping poster paper over a bulletin board over a couch in a lounge area and purposely setting it ablaze.

Lawyers for Lepore and Ryan deny the charges.

Ryan’s lawyer, Michael Bubba, says his client “has denied the allegations in the beginning and he continues to deny it.” Lepore and Ryan are in jail, with bail set at $2 million apiece.

The third accused student, Santino Cataldo, who attends Seton Hall, was charged with witness tampering, giving false statements to police officers, and obstructing the investigation. He could not be reached for comment.

The deadly fire has already drawn attention to the issue of fire safety on campuses. Some officials say it led other colleges to install more sprinklers in dormitories, and led some states to propose laws making sprinkler mandatory in college dorm rooms — although some of these laws stalled once the memory of the Seton Hall fire had faded.

Apartment fire displaces 25 students

Smoldering embers in a charcoal grill on the balcony of a second-story University student apartment ignited a fire that destroyed at least 25 apartments, homes and caused $200,000 in damage. Inspectors who looked at the Campus Club apartments after the fire found several violations — operating grills on the combustible, wood-frame balconies and disconnected smoke detectors in several apartments.

Alina Malecki, of College Park Communities in Pennsylvania, which manages the apartments, said it was his understanding that residents of the burned apartment had a charcoal grill and disabled their smoke detector, both violations of their lease.

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The majority of the trustees agreed univers­ities need the extra money. A million in budget cuts to state universities for the 2003-2004 budget year, a need that overshadowed the Darden students will face.

The single vote against the increase came from Bottles, who said it will have a negative affect on individual students. “I’m here to vote what my constituency wants,” he said. “I’m here to do the student’s voice.”

Bottles said his major concern was that the presidents didn’t look at how individual groups of students were affected by the increases. “I don’t like the broader problem, less money for more students. It’s more money out of everybody’s pockets, and I was opposed to any raises in tuition to generate more revenue without a perfect understanding of where the money was going to go,” he said.

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Supporters say old FCC guidelines are outdated

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TV stations instead of eight owners, that's a severe limitation of plurality, isn't it?"  

Under the FCC's new regulations, a TV station owner can own up to 25 percent of households, instead of 25 and allows TV duopoly and triopolies in the largest markets.  

The new guidelines have eliminated a regulation that prevents mergers between TV and radio companies and ended a ban on one company owning a newspaper and a broadcast station.  

In a similar move in 1996, Congress loosened ownership restrictions on broadcast stations. As a result, Clear Channel Communications has expanded and become more than five times larger than its competitors.

While the deregulation was designed to update rules that have been in effect before the existence of cable television — media companies say the changes were needed in order for them to grow — critics like UCF radio-television professor Gene Bagley warn that the new regulations will cause major consolidations and reduce media diversity.  

"It's the political and cultural residue of the 50 years of deregulation — a rather bland sounding word, that in effect says media should be treated like the local sausage factory," he said.  

"What is lost here is that the airwaves are supposed to be owned by all of us, not managed for the weekend bazaar; but something essentially absolutely essential for continued health of society," Bagley said. "It also means business principles reign supreme and there's not much left of all other considerations in this society — a sad commentary, but a longitudinal trend in America."  

Regulators like the FCC and Frob have already financially benefited from the FCC decision. After the vote passed, stocks for Viacom rose about 4.7 percent.  

FCC Chairman Michael Powell and several of the commissioners of the rule say the new changes are not dangerous to democracy; the rules have only been updated to fit an era where digital media outlets exist. From cable to the Internet, those in favor of deregulation believe the old regulations were simply outdated.  

"People continue to get their information from digital sources that don't necessarily broadcast over publicly owned air waves," Bagley said many of those alternative information sources are owned by traditional media companies as well.

"Check out the changes of Viacom and you'll discover that they are vested in both cable and traditional broadcast mass media, as well as other sources," he said.

"There's always been concern at various levels that we find ways to allow minorities and women to own media outlets so their voices could be heard," he said. "With relaxed ownership rules, it will be more difficult for those entities to have their voices heard, since only large businesses will be able to afford the purchase of a media outlet in many large population centers."  

"Coblen warned journalism students in particular should be aware and levy of the new regulations that will inevitably reduce diversity in the media. "This is a direct assault on our democracy. Coblen said. "People from the far right and far left both agree on this, and points to the vertical integration in the already obviously short list of mega-media corporations in the government (Radio-Television) will feel the direct impact in the near future."  

Student opinion divided on increase

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money from the state. We were under funded last fall and with 2,000 additional students next fall we have no additional funding for that growth," Greg said.

Student opinions were divided on the increase.  

Junior Erin Hoop said that the increase doesn't bother her. "My parents are both in education, my bill and don't think about it too much," said the biology major. "I don't think it's going to affect students, because its still a relatively cheap school in comparison to other schools, especially schools up north."

International student Judy Liu said that with higher tuition, living fees, and housing, international students will hesitate to attend UCF. "It's going to be impossible for some International students to come here," she said. "Internationals should find other places to cut money from the state budget, other than education. It shouldn't be my responsibility as a graduate student to make up for budget cuts."

Barbara Lewis, a UCF professor for radio and television was confident that the increase will be offset by some of the new guidelines, the university's administrative side will take up the slack, feeling more of the effects of the tighter budget than students will.

"I think the money will go to the colleges and to research and so administrations will take a greater hit than the academic side," Greg said.

"The increase takes effect this fall, coinciding with an expected 3,000 student increase in enrollment. Gray said that because the tuition increase will offset only some of the budget loss, the university's administrative side "will take up the slack, feeling more of the effects of..."

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SGA leaders hope to set own requirement

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Interfraternity Council, said he knows of no one who will lose a leadership post because of the change that many Greeks, including himself, came down.

O’Rourke said getting involved with the Greek system actually improved his grades—a benefit that students banned from leadership posts will never experience.

Fernandez, a senior who has a 3.0 GPA, said limiting students’ involvement is anti-democratic. For example, even though all students pay the Activity and Service Fee, only those with a 2.5 GPA or higher may now be able to hold a leadership post in SGA, which recommends how those dollars are spent.

Fernandez said the change penalizes students who might not have the best grades but still have leadership potential.

"There’s plenty of people who can be great leaders on this campus who wouldn’t have a 2.5 but would always get by in school with a 2.0 or 2.4 who are never going to have the ability to build their leadership in college," he said. "Some of the best things that you can learn are outside the classroom."

He said: "If you don’t happen to be smart enough to get a 2.5, but you’re smart enough to play in UCF you [now] can’t participate in any events as a leader."

Huddleston says SGA members aren’t independent of the student body and should be subject to the same regulations that other students face. He added that the impact to the current SGA leadership would be minimal. He said he could count the number of leaders who wouldn’t qualify under the new standard "on one hand."

"There will always be somebody who doesn’t qualify [according to the 2.5 standard], but that’s clearly the minority," Huddleston said. "Even if we were at 2.5, there would be people that don’t qualify."

SGA Attorney General Marcus Fernandez said being eligible to attend UCF should be enough to qualify any student for a leadership position. "If you’re eligible to get to school here, you should be eligible to be involved in all opportunities," he said. Fernandez said students come to the university for an education, but education doesn’t necessarily take place exclusively in the classroom.

Huddleston agreed that extracurricular activities are an important aspect of college life. But general scholarship cannot be overlooked, he said.

"Having a good academic record is what makes students better than loading a club or organization," Huddleston said. "I think [students] will find the employers will put greater importance on the Grade Point Averages of the individual," he said.

Fernandez conceded that academic work is the most important work students will do. "That’s why we didn’t make a big fuss about it when they moved it to 2.5," he said. But a 2.5 requirement is too much, he added. Athletics on NCAA-sanctioned teams at UCF are eligible to compete after achieving only a 2.0 GPA. That means they can get by on lesser grades than athletes who assume leadership roles in UCF-recognized club sports such as crew or wrestling, for whom the new campus requirements apply. Huddleston said sports standards are set to match NCAA guidelines, but Fernandez countered that the university could add additional requirements.

Current Student Body President Brian Battles said the 2.5 standard will prevent many students from seeking leadership positions. Fernandez said about 3,500 students have GPAs in the 2.1 to 2.5 range.

"With a number that big," Battles said, "you’re bound to lose some good leaders."

Fernandez said the gradual increase in GPA from 2.0 in the past three years concerns him. "I said most schools require only the 2.0, although the University of Florida also requires its student leaders to take 12 credit hours per semester. UCF only requires six credit hours. Students with below a 2.5 GPA, who seek leadership positions still can request an exemption. According to the Golden Rule, those students can submit a written appeal to the Eligibility Appeals Board through the Office of Student Activities. Appeals are due within two weeks of the first day of class for a semester.

Fernandez said a referendum on the issue is being planned for election time. He also said that SGA officials will work on an effort to allow SGA to set its own requirements.
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Recruiting, retention efforts boost Hispanic enrollment to 11 percent

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One of UCF's programs that informs and advises Hispanics and other minorities is the Multicultural Academic and Support Services — aimed at increasing the retention of multicultural students through different services and programs.

Their retention programs include services such as freshman success and transition program and multicultural education achievement through communication and hard work — programs designed to help minority students who are on probation.

Another service, the Scholarship Retention Program, notified minority students of scholarship opportunities.

"MASS is a home away from home," said Ana Marrero, an office assistant to Multicultural Academic and Support Services.

"There are a lot of reasons why Hispanics may choose UCF for their higher education experience and because of the openness of the campus," said senior Robert Fournier.

"UCF is a Hispanic-friendly environment," said senior Robert Fournier.

"It shows that we are a very cool place to be," said senior Jorge Principe, 23.

While UCF's Hispanic enrollment remains the top in the nation, Fernandez said UCF must continue to aggressively recruit and implement retention services for minorities.

"Our thinking shows that we have made great strides and progress in attracting Hispanic students and graduating them," Fernandez said. "If we can't become a complete university, we need to work harder in attracting not only Hispanics, but other minorities."
OUR STANCE:

GPA requirement needs second look

U CP this spring changed its mind on what makes a good leader: edging up the minimum GPA required of students in leadership positions from 2.5 to 2.8. The move was designed to make student leaders role models both for leadership ability and academic prowess. Students affected include Student Government Association officials, Family Organization officers and officers of officially sanctioned campus clubs and organizations.

There is no rational basis for the current standard of 2.5. It sits above the "average" 2.0 GPA, but how high a GPA a role model should have is entirely arbitrary. The GPA of student leaders may set a positive example, but only for those students below a 2.5. If 2.5 is good, why not make it 3.0, or 4.0? Because those are also just arbitrary numbers.

There are plenty of students with better GPAs who can't lead their own lives, let alone those of their fellow students. That a student with a 2.5 average and excellent leadership skills can't be SGA president is senseless.

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Letters to the Editor

FCAT testing waste of time at any level

This letter is in response to education officials' ideas that a mandatory FCAT be given to Florida college students.

"If everyone passes a standardized test, then the test is considered "too easy." If no one passes it, the test is considered "too hard." Therefore, the test is not a useful gauge for identifying bright students. The test score would not be fair; it would be 50 percent." Florida education critics, and state education officials agree. While some have been raised, economic competition prices, not just economic competition prices, matter to schools that desperately need money to improve their scores out of the cold.

The test doesn't evaluate real, or even regular, competition. It only rewards a few poor schools. Sometimes, giving a school "merit money" doesn't work as well as giving it enough money to do the right thing, but it works. The test is "too easy," and "too hard." And in between, it's considered "too worthless." It doesn't work as well as giving money to schools that desperately need it.

"Incentives" don't work as well as giving the money to schools that desperately need it. What do you think should happen in Florida college sports?

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OUR STANCE:

Healthy Forests Initiative only helps loggers

Last month the U.S. House of Representatives passed a bill called the "Healthy Forests Restoration Act," which President George W. Bush has touted as an environmentally sensitive piece of legislation aimed at saving homes from forest fires while saving old trees.

Environmental groups once again have found themselves at odds with the Bush administration, over a policy they see as not environmentally sound, but destructive and dangerous. The Sierra Club and Wilderness Society have both criticized the bill, favoring measures designed to allow logging on private land, and specifically outlawing old-growth logging.

The new bill has been widely criticized as a thinly veiled attempt to increase logging in national forests at the expense of the environment.

Along with the increased access for loggers, the bill, if it passes the senate, will reduce the environmental considerations federal land managers need to make, eliminating a provision currently requiring the examination of alternative strategies.

The problem with this slyly worded bill is in the logic. The bill allows loggers to strip away fallen and young trees that proponents of the bill say contribute to dangerous wildfires and threaten older, taller trees. They're supposedly doing this to protect homes from fierce wildfires fed by the smaller and dead trees.

Wildfires are a natural process that performs the same function, clearing the forest floor periodically to prevent larger, more destructive fires. These periodic fires don't kill the older, stronger trees, which are the natural defense against fires.

Lawmakers from western states prone to wildfires like California, Oregon and Utah have criticized the bill for indirectly protecting homes from fire, rather than simply cutting away brush and tree stands near homes.

The bill is a flawed program if it's designed to help forests. It's a flawed program if it's designed to help save homes. It's a perfect program if it's designed to help loggers, and it's wrong.

"Speak your mind"

Are coaches destroying the integrity of college sports? Throughout the past year, at least four college coaches have been fired for improprieties ranging from placing bets to fixing athletics grades. Despite the fact that athletes continue to be involved in violations far worse than most coaches, most athletes remain unpunished for their actions.

What do you think should happen to coaches who commit improprieties? Do they deserve to be fired for immoral behavior? Email your responses to editor@ucffuture.com and include your first and last name as well as your phone number.
Auction addiction not a laughing matter — or is it?

Mike Riegel
Staff Writer

I'm addicted. Addicted to great deals and low, low prices on any item I can imagine.

If you think I'm talking about eBay then you'd be correct, and your parents will be proud to know that college has helped you develop the skills necessary for critical analysis. If you're not thinking of eBay then college is not for you, and your parents should be extremely disappointed because you've wasted so much time and money.

But I've taken a bit of a backsliding from the worldwide garage sale that is eBay. Why this self-imposed embargo on goods obtained from online auctions? Because I've learned that the only way to auction is to be honest.

For the sake of you who have never heard of eBay, it's a massive Internet site that provides people a place to sell their goods and services to the millions of people who have an e-faxy account. Up until recently I didn't think that eBay had anything I wanted, and I didn't have much that people were willing to pay money for. After a few months, and more than 100 transactions, I realized just how wrong I was.

It started innocently enough, with my intention to clean out my closet and get rid of things that I no longer wanted. But instead of tossing them in my garbage, I decided to sell them. Almost immediately after placing those stacks of closet space, people began to bid on them and buy them.

As a college student, I'm always in search of new sources of income, so my mind naturally started to dwell on all the different things I could sell. The PlayStation I didn't use anymore, the books I'd already read, the CDs I didn't listen to anymore and the relatives that forgot my birthday. All in all, I was making a nice supplementary income, especially after a nice family in California agreed to purchase my cousin Dan for well-above market value.

With all this activity, I started to run into folks who didn't want to live up to their end of the bargain. But that's not to be expected because while this is a huge good faith garage sale, it's also a breeding ground for fraud.

For proof that this online deception transcends the realm of plastic monkeys, look no further than this past weekend's arrest of a California man who created hundreds of people on eBay.

He was running a respectable computer business for some time, until he decided that he could cut down on overhead by taking people's money and then neglecting to send anything back to them.

Certainly he's a shrewd and successful businessman, but he's also a crook. A judge has ordered that the man work during the day to pay the customers back, and spend his nights in jail.

While working all day and going home to a prison might sound familiar to married men, this dishonestly-eBay ninja also has to worry about how many cigarettes he's worth on the open market.

According to eBay, he's already up to three packs.
UCF is one of many teams fighting for a spot

Brett Hart
College Week

Hurricane season is almost upon us.

As everyone knows, hurricanes are known for making some incredible waves. However, no wave compares to the combination of University of Miami Hurricanes and some of their Big East cohorts into making. Along with UM, Boston College and Syracuse have all but been indelibly linked to the Atlantic Coast Conference as part of its new expansion.

This past week the Big East revealed a list of potential candidates to replace these teams, should all pending lawsuits fail. According to a plan already under consideration, the Big East would invite three new teams, with Louisville, Charlotte and Memphis being the early front runners.

ESPN college football analyst Andy Katz reported that while these teams are leading the charge, UCF and even state rival South Florida is on the edge of one of many teams fighting for a spot in 2003.

The University of Miami, Boston College and Syracuse University are all preparing to spike out of the Big East Conference and into the Atlantic Coast Conference.

Please see UCF on 12

Rising through the Major League system

Some former Knights are earning Major League attention

Ashley Burns
Staff Writer

In the recent Major League Baseball draft, walk-on pitcher David Torres became the 2003 UCF player drafted since 1989. The New York Mets picked Torres very little time on the mound in 2000, but might not have anything to worry about if trends continue for UCF pitchers.

Since the start of the 2003 baseball season, three former UCF pitchers have been gaining high amounts of attention and recognition from all around the league. While only one pitcher is starting in the majors, two are hot on his heels and will most likely make their first appearances before the season's close.

The most infamous Knight in Major League history is, and will probably be for a long time, Mike Marsh of the Detroit Tigers. The starting pitcher has garnered continuous sympathy and respect so far this season as he keeps on pitching his heart out despite a 1-11 record as the Tigers' ace.

Marsh was drafted in the third round of the 1998 MLB draft by the Boston Red Sox and later traded to the Detroit Tigers. The fiery left-hander looked promising in 2002 after he was promoted from the legendary Triple-A Toledo Mud Hens. As a freshman, Marsh went 9-1 in 11 appearances and boasted an earned run average of 2.82.

In 21 appearances as a Tiger last season, Marsh finished the season 6-19 in 21 appearances, while pitching a hefty 128.2 innings. His endurance and variety of pitches were all the Tigers needed to bring him up.

While the pitcher's record has taken a beating this season, it is not his game that he is being faulted. The finesse pitcher is sporting a 5.35 ERA, but is managing to hold opponents to a .254 batting average and only 11 home runs. The problem for Marsh and the Tigers in the form of the Tigers' lineup, which has produced less than two runs of support per start for him.

With 78 innings pitched in 14

Please see Arnold on 12

Commentary

Bearing the burden of punishment

Double standards are creating coaching crisis

Ashley Burns
Staff Writer

Brenden University of Washington head football coach Rick Neuheisel recently became the fourth NCAA Division I-A coach to be fired this past year for improper conduct. Neuheisel joins Alabama's Mike Price, Georgia's Jim Harrick and Iowa State's Larry Eustachy in the increasing line of college coaches making drastic mistakes.

For the better part of 2003 and 2001 the national discussion has been whether these coaches are getting the punishments they deserve.

First and foremost, if players are going to continue to get away with violation after violation, then the coaches should get a free pass as well.

While Eustachy wasn't fired by Iowa State, his contract was bought out because of his drinking problem. A man's career was ruined because he attended a party at Missouri and took a few pictures with drunkard coeds. Meanwhile, five Mississippi players made close to $10,000 worth of long-distance phone calls on a stolen access code and simply received probation.

Price took advantage of one of Jacksonville's finer gentlemen's clubs on a recruiting trip earlier in the year, and was fired because he had been warned about his behavior before the trip. Yet Missouri basketball player Ricky Chambers still maintains a year of eligibility after beating a woman senseless for not watching "Roots" with him. (You can't make this stuff up.)

Neuheisel had a little tendency to lie, but more notably received his pink slip for participating in a betting pool for the NCAA basketball tournament. Neuheisel won $25,000 from his neighborhood bookies pool, but Bobby Bowden can keep playing stupid and pretend he has no idea that his star player and a team manager are betting thousands on college football.

Harrick, unlike the others, desired to be released for his actions. Harrick paid $800 for a plane ticket for a play-
LeaderShape involves living in a state of possibility, making a commitment to a vision, developing relationships to move that vision into action, and sustaining a high level of integrity. Effective leadership takes place in the context of a supportive community and results in positive change.

From May 4th - 9th a group of 20 UCF student leaders participated in the first Florida LeaderShape Institute at Camp Kalaqua in High Springs, FL. These students each created a vision for change, please hold them accountable and help make these visions a reality.

Establishing a mutual, working relationship between UCF and the Orlando community. - Abby Birch

To build a future that UCF's SGA becomes a community away from home on campus. This community will be a campus life hot spot. - Peter Cimino

Help prevent and defeat obesity and other body image related issues. By developing more outreach programs at UCF and one-on-one sessions with clients. In the future, more programs for children's fitness and keeping physical education a part of children's school day. - Danielle Darling

To create a way for children in low income families to travel, experiencing diversity in their state, nation, and world. - Kathryn Dilley

I would like to bring the organization Helping Every Little Person (HELP) to UCF in order to make a difference in the lives of underprivileged children in the Orlando area. - Mary Chris Ellett

To promote a positive image of the SGA at UCF by informing the students of activities and services offered in order to improve the moral of student life. - Jennifer Helman

My vision is to improve the overall quality of the community so that RA's become passionate about their jobs, and work in teams, and residents have positive role models to look up to as well as understanding rule enforcement. - Chris Joseph

I want the Office of Intramural Sports at UCF to create a relationship with all the Florida universities, colleges, and community college recreation departments to hold extramural events throughout the year. - Felipe O'drera

I want to create a consulting program for fraternities and sororities, focusing on positive changes and leadership development. - Ryan O'Rourke

I want all types of students, undergraduate, graduate, exchange, multicultural, athletes, greeks, RA's, and from branch campuses to be involved in SGA. Although everyone has a chance to be in SGA, the fair opportunity is not there. - Kevin Ortiz

I want to create campus wide school spirit at UCF. I plan to do this by uniting and providing guidance as well as aiding current organizations and sports marketing positions around the university. I plan to create a committee dedicated to helping naive spirit of our school. This committee will create new traditions and help promote our university with in the community. - Jenny Peppers

To create environments in which young children feel confident, comfortable and intelligent in order to provide them with the opportunity and skills for a successful and bright future. - Ashly Ramsey

All clubs and organizations will initiate and become involved in community service in the Orlando area. This will help with the collaboration of the club members and the community's perception of UCF students. - Julie Reeves

For UCF to become a school of promise. This would create more connection with the Orlando community and change the students thought on why they are involved in organizations. Eventually, I want every school to follow. - Kevin Robbins

Provide leadership development and enhancement that will enable UCF students to be involved in campus organizations and the Orlando community. - Theresa Stevenson

Helping to give people the skills, will, and desire that will empower them to be the change they want. - Joshua Wagoner

To involve all the clubs at UCF and make them one big group that works together. To make lasting and valuable friendships through the unity and community. - Jennifer White

LeaderShape was funded by Student Government Association, LEAD Scholars, Recreation and Wellness Center, Office of Student Activities, Housing and Residence Life, Counseling Center, and Student Health.
Florida is no longer far behind. In fact, according to the ACC, this is the closest it has ever been, with only 18-17 points separating the teams. Today, the ACC's schools are very close fourth in the ACC, and the Hurricanes play the teams closest behind them in the conference.

Therefore, the Hurricanes are concentrating on the rural area around the series' conclusion. The Hurricanes are in the ACC, and they are looking to move against the rest of the conference. The Hurricanes have to win to get to the ACC's championship game. The ACC will also give up this year's earnings to the ACC. The ACC is looking to stay at the top of the ACC throughout the year.

Arnold lighting up the baseline behind teammates Roy Halladay and Corey Lidle
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TRENDY ATTIRE CAN CAUSE SERIOUS BODILY HARM

TRINA PRIORE
CONTRIBUTING WRITER

When editors of the fashion world joke that "beauty is pain," they don't normally intend real physical harm. When college students dress to impress, discomfort is relatable.

"When it comes to fashion, no one cares what it feels like. It just has to look good," said Greg Rollett, 20, who admits that this extremely large jeans occasionally cause him to fall or stumble.

Though a person may express their individual freedom through their clothing style, students question if certain dress attire and necessities should be banned, and not by the fashion police.

Flip-flopers, loose earrings, baggy jeans, high-heeled shoes and other raucous trendy silhouettes can cause serious bodily harm.

"You have to deal with issues of foot and fashion," said Ida Cook, a UPC sociology professor. "There are lots of people on the cutting edge of trying out new ideas and experimenting with new trends."

But some of these "new trends" just happen to induce poor circulation or potential safety hazards.

Tight, low-rise pants can cause tingling sensations in the thighs and increase circulation problems. Stephanie Shepard, medical assistant to Orlando Primary Care physician Thomas J. Barnes, said that extremely tight pants can eventually injure the hips by nerve interference.

As many students choose to sport the form-fitting pants, they turn to thinner shoes to remove visible panty lines.

Nyons of sandal straps cause more infections than other types of凉鞋 because the thin strips of material often carry bacteria, which Shepard says can lead to irritation.

Wider back, cotton panel thongs allow the best air circulation and absorption. And sometimes it's not what students are wearing that causes concern, but the season they choose to wear something in.

"I've seen people wear miniskirts outside when it's freezing, and they just don't seem to care," said Rollett. "They're simply slaves to fashion."

A year-round fashion trend for any Florida resident, however, is a good pair of flip-flops. While they provide feet with air circulation, this well-liked footwear may later cause damage.

"Cheap flip-flops, especially the high ones, are horrible for your feet," Junior Melissa Garnier, 19, said. "My feet don't have much of an arch, so if the shoe can't mold to fit right away, my arches get incredibly sore."

Shoes with high heels can also harm feet by inflaming and shortening the tendon between the calf and heel. Safety concerns — not the least of which is falling down — have led Japan and Thailand to consider regulating shoe height.

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Flip-flops do not provide feet with needed support

FROM PAGE 14 much importance on how we look," DeSembellis said. "How many times have we gone to the mail with the intention of buying something comfortable?"

Even accessories intended for educational purposes have proven harmful for the body. Staring across students' shoulders are the stylish, large, buckaroo-like bags with room for books, supplies and then some. Consistent use of heavy shoulder bags, however, can shorten muscles until they become weaker and less flexible.

"Carrying those huge backpacks on one shoulder could potentially damage the neck or back," Langford said.

Additional fashion accessories soon may need their own warning labels. Rubett pierced his ear cartilage a few months ago to spice up his style. "When I first got my cartilage pierced, I couldn't sleep at night because it hurt so bad," he said.

Chokers — true to their name — are hazards for both children and college students. "Those things are so hard to adjust," Garner said. "A few times I've tied them way too tight, and didn't notice until someone told me my neck was turning red."

Cook added that unusually long fingernails prevent some women from getting jobs, because the nails limit a person's ability to type or perform various other office duties.

Although Langford said that extended use of certain items could eventually harm the body, he doesn't view the majority of students' fashions as anything to worry about in the near future.

A breeding ground for future CEOs, cologne is also the fashion trendsetters of the nation. Cook says that fashion choices represent a student's personality. "That is the basic principle of fashion fades," she said. "And universities are a great place to see those things happen."

Larry M. Langford, PA-C
377 Student Health Services

My knee hurts when I go up or down stairs and after sitting for a while. I have not injured the knee, but I did start walking on the treadmill at the gym about a month ago. What do you think is wrong?

This is a good question about a very common problem. I hear this complaint several times a month.

The most common scenario is: A 20-year-old female student who was physically active throughout high school but since attending college has become less active. She has gained some weight and now decides to exercise again.

The anatomy of the knee changes in a female during puberty. As the hips broaden, the relationship of the femur (thigh bone) to the tibia (leg bone) changes and the quadriceps angle increases. This increased angle results in the patella (kneecap) being pulled to the outside of the knee with every flexion and extension. The pressure across the patellofemoral joint increases and a painful friction is produced with each step.

The good news is that this is very seldom a severe problem. The treatment consists of anti-inflammatory medication (Ibuprofen, Naproxen or aspirin) and continued exercise. I recommend cycling with the seat up high and at a low resistance. This can be alternated with other activities such as swimming, leg extensions and straight leg raising.

These exercises strengthen the inside of the quadriceps and thigh muscle to counteract the lateral pull from the increased quadriceps angle.

I also recommend applying an ice pack to the knee after exercise if the knee is sore. Six to eight weeks of modified exercise should bring improvement in your symptoms.

Occasionally a patellar stabilizing brace is needed and is worn during exercise.

This condition does not lead to early arthritis or other disability and even if your exercise is uncomfortable at first, you are doing no harm.

If problems persist or symptoms worsen, you should be evaluated at the Student Health Service.

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Service. You want your needs met and your stress left at the door.

Satisfaction. It is all waiting for you.

Come experience a Crawford Realty Group community.

UNIT FEATURES
- Newly renovated
- Spacious 2 and 3 bedroom apartments
- Washer & Dryer available
- Furnished units available

COMMUNITY FEATURES
- Walk or bike to campus
- Beautiful community that includes tennis courts, pool, basketball courts and beach volleyball courts
- Cable included at select communities
- On-site laundry facilities
- 24-hour emergency maintenance
- On-the-line taxi shuttle service
- Professional on-site staff dedicated to satisfying your needs