Imagine an undergraduate experience that goes beyond the classroom. At New College of Florida, we prepare you to make your mark on the world through practice-based learning. You may find yourself tagging shark species in the Sarasota Bay, collaborating with a global team to define the future of urban spaces, or composing music for world-class musicians.

We are the State of Florida’s independent, public honors college, and our entire campus is dedicated to transforming your curiosity and passion for learning into personal and academic achievement. We are home to around 800 students who live and learn together on our residential campus located along the Gulf of Mexico in Sarasota, Florida. Our 90+ full-time faculty members engage their students in interdisciplinary research, lead them to discover new ideas, and support their independent goals.

We believe in empowering our students to seek out and fulfill their passions within a culture of discovery. We are a community of fearless learners preparing tomorrow’s leaders.

Chart Your Own Course

At NCF, you will tailor your college experience to who you are as an individual and your goals for the future.

Your professors will be with you every step of the way—helping you create a course of study that’s right for you, providing you with one-on-one mentoring, supervising your research, and advising you on your senior thesis.

We focus on your individual strengths and abilities, which is why we go beyond traditional letter grades. Instead, your professors provide detailed performance evaluations every semester that highlight the tangible skills you’ve acquired and help you grow and develop as a student. You’re not a number. Why be a letter?

Your Tomorrow is Our Priority Today

Your career trajectory should be as tailor made as your education.

The professional staff at the Center for Career Engagement and Opportunity, or the CEO, will help prepare you to thrive in today’s evolving job market throughout your time at NCF. They host career prep workshops, assist you with applications to internships and fellowships, and can connect you with peer and alumni mentors. You’ll have access to the Handshake career management portal, and the CEO staff is there to help you find potential employers. If you are considering graduate school, the CEO has all of the information you need for the required entrance exams and applications. We also have pre-med, pre-law, and MBA advisors who can help you navigate the application process.

A Culture of Discovery

At New College, our goal is to turn your passion into accomplishment. Instead of choosing classes that conform to a core curriculum, you’ll work with your faculty advisor and develop a contract that outlines your personal academic goals each semester. Your contract is not limited to course work. It is a comprehensive overview of the many ways you can put your passion into practice, including research projects, internships, and study abroad.

Our innovative contract system gives you the flexibility and freedom to explore your interests and discover new passions alongside other students who are actively engaged with topics that genuinely excite them. So, go ahead and take a risk, challenge yourself, and discover new ways to look at the world.

We offer 35 areas of concentrations (majors). You can combine two areas or work with your advisor to design an interdisciplinary concentration, such as Computational Biochemistry or Creative Technologies.

It’s Your Move. Make it Here.

Do you want the freedom to define your own education? Are you ready to put your passions into practice? Apply now if you’re ready to see where your curiosity will take you, and experience what it means to be a fearless learner.

We are in a 110-acre residential campus on the Gulf of Mexico in Sarasota, Florida and our incoming class (Fall 2018) has a 4.03 average GPA and 1331 average SAT (CR/Math only).