



## FIU Recreation Services

# Recreation (REC) Membership Information

FIU Recreation Services provides recreation and fitness opportunities to the FIU community. Recreation (REC) Membership allows FIU community members the privilege of using Recreation Services facilities and programs including the Recreation Center, the Tennis Center, Panther Hall & Tamiami Park Pools, the Rec Field, and to participate in Intramural Sports and/or Adventure Recreation programs.

### MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

#### A. STUDENT

- CURRENTLY-ENROLLED FIU STUDENTS with up-to-date payment of the Activity and Services (A&S) Fee are automatically REC members, pay no additional membership fee, and are permitted to use and participate in UP Recreation Services activities. Additional fees may be applicable for some programs/services.

#### B. UNIVERSITY MEMBER

- EMPLOYEES of the University, including Faculty (full-time and not adjunct), Administrative, Staff and Temporary Employees, are eligible to purchase a REC membership. Regular FIU employees eligible for payroll deduction may purchase a REC membership either on a semester basis or through payroll deduction. Payroll deduction membership fees are charged similar to other payroll-deducted post-tax options (such as parking, charitable contributions, Athletic season tickets, etc.) in that they are ongoing. To discontinue the deduction, written notice must be received by the Director of Recreation Services - please allow at least 1 payroll cycle for processing start-up/cancellation through the Payroll Office.
- STUDENTS NOT CURRENTLY ENROLLED (SNCE) may purchase a REC membership for no more than one semester after their most recent semester of enrollment.

#### C. AFFILIATE MEMBER

- ALUMNI may purchase a REC membership on either an annual or semester basis. Alumni are defined as graduates of FIU, or who have accumulated 30 or more credit hours from FIU. Alumni must be able to present proof of status (diploma or transcript) with the completed REC Membership Application Form.
- FIU ALUMNI ASSOCIATION members will receive a discount on the regular Affiliate rate. To qualify, a current-year FIU Alumni Association Membership Card must be presented at time of purchase. "Friend of FIU" Alumni Association members also fall into this category.
- RETIREE/EMERITUS FACULTY are those individuals who, having been employed by the University for a length of time, have officially retired from service and are recognized as such by the Office of Human Resources. Retirees/Emeritus Faculty may purchase a membership on either an annual or semester basis.
- The SPOUSE / SAME-SEX PARTNER (SSP) of any of the above categories are eligible to purchase a REC Membership. The qualifying Spouse member must present proof of marriage and his/her Panther ID along with the spouse's completed application form at the time of purchase. The qualifying SSP member must provide proof of status as listed in the Human Resources Policies ([www.fiu.edu/hr](http://www.fiu.edu/hr)) under "Same-Sex Domestic Partnership Health Insurance Stipend". The qualifying Employee member may add their spouse/same-sex partner to the payroll deduction option. There are no provisions for dependent (family) memberships.

### POLICIES

- All current students and REC members are required to present an activated Panther Photo ID card at all times to enter recreation facilities or participate in programs. Affiliate members who do not already have a Panther Photo ID must purchase a Recreation Services Photo ID at the Graham Center ID Office prior to use. Call (305) 348-3910 for hours and current price.
- Membership applications and appropriate payment/payroll deduction authorization must be brought to the Recreation Services Membership Desk. A photo ID must be presented at the time of purchase to validate the transaction. Payment may be made via cash, credit card, FIU Panther Debit Card, money order or cashier check – no personal checks.
- Annual memberships are refundable up to two (2) weeks from purchase date. Semester memberships are not refundable.
- Please be prepared to display your REC membership receipt along with your Panther Photo ID up to 5 business days after initial purchase to allow activation of your card. An activated Panther Photo ID is required after this 5 business day period.
- Purchase of a membership does not include parking privileges. Please observe campus parking regulations. Meters are available in Panther Garage and Lot 8 south of the RC.
- PantherFIT group fitness classes require prior registration. In-person registration begins 1 hour prior to class; phone-in registrations (Gold Members only) are taken 9am-noon the day of class.
- The Recreation Center has been designated by FIU as a hurricane shelter for Monroe County, and at times may need to close to serve that role, even if emergency status has not been declared in Miami-Dade County. Such closure(s) is/are not grounds for membership refund.
- MEMBERSHIP IS A PRIVILEGE. Recreation Services reserves the right to terminate ANY REC membership at any time (and without notice) for disruptive conduct, misconduct or a violation of FIU or Recreation Services policies or rules, including the Student Code of Conduct and Employee Policies & Procedures.