

***FT* Names UF MBA America's Best Program for Career Progress**

Gainesville, Fla. – The UF MBA Program at the Hough Graduate School of Business did extremely well in the prestigious *Financial Times* Top 100 MBA Program rankings, including garnering the #1 spot in the US for “Career Progress.” UF alums got to cast their votes for “Best in” as well, making the UF MBA the #4 program for marketing studies. UF’s overall ranking among the world’s Top 100 MBA programs is #64, and #34 among US schools. In addition, Florida made a strong showing in significant categories such as Research and Ph.D. rankings, which reflect faculty excellence. UF is also the only program in the state that appears in the *Financial Times* MBA rankings. UF’s first appearance in the *FT* rankings was in 2006, placing at #96 overall. For the complete listing of rankings, see our website at: www.floridamba.ufl.edu/rankings.asp. The rankings, which were released on January 28, are based on a school’s performance in three areas: 1) Career progress of the alumni (both in terms of salary and rank); 2) School’s diversity and international experience it offers; 3) School’s intellectual output and research. Here are some of the highlights:

- UF’s overall ranking:
 - Worldwide: #64
 - In the US: #34
 - Among Publics: #15 (tie)
- Career Progress ranking:
 - Worldwide: #13
 - In the US: #1
- Research ranking:
 - Worldwide: #23
 - In the US: #18
 - Among Publics: #7
- Ph.D ranking:
 - Worldwide: #38
 - In the US: #25
 - Among Publics: #14
- Value ranking:
 - Worldwide: #30
 - In the US: #3
 - Among Publics: #3

“Our sharp rise in the 2008 *Financial Times* rankings is a testament to the growth of the UF MBA program and our reputation on a global scale. More importantly, our position as the #1 US b-school on the dimension of career progress signifies a tremendous ROI for our MBA alumni that continues to pay major dividends well after graduation,” says Alex Sevilla, assistant dean and director of UF’s MBA programs.

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