



Mission

The University of Florida Department of Surgery is dedicated to:

- ▶ Delivering the highest-quality, innovative surgical care
- ▶ Fostering discovery in basic and translational research to improve surgical outcomes, advance treatments and expand knowledge about disease processes
- ▶ Developing exemplary surgeons by educating students and residents in the humanistic, scientific and practical aspects of surgery

Our experienced surgeons specialize in:

- ▶ Burn surgery
- ▶ Gastrointestinal surgery, surgical oncology, acute care surgery and surgical critical care
- ▶ Pediatric surgery
- ▶ Plastic and reconstructive surgery
- ▶ Thoracic and cardiovascular surgery
- ▶ Transplantation surgery
- ▶ Vascular surgery and endovascular therapy

Patient Care

UF Health surgeons work closely with other University of Florida faculty as well as other health professionals to deliver individualized patient care. This team approach, which includes regular, interdisciplinary case conferences with specialists from many different fields, ensures individualized and coordinated quality patient care.

Inpatient care facilities:

- ▶ UF Health Heart & Vascular Hospital
- ▶ UF Health Shands Hospital
- ▶ UF Health Shands Cancer Hospital
- ▶ UF Health Shands Children's Hospital

11,864

surgeries performed
in Gainesville

108

faculty members

Faculty and residents practice
in nationally recognized clinical
settings at UF Health:

- ▶ UF Health Shands Trauma Center is recognized as a Level I trauma center
- ▶ UF Health Bariatric Surgery Center is recognized as an accredited center by the Metabolic and Bariatric Surgery Accreditation and Quality Improvement Program
- ▶ UF Health Breast Center is recognized by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers as a National Center of Excellence in Breast Cancer
- ▶ One of 52 health care facilities nationwide named a National Pancreas Foundation Center for Excellence in Pancreatic Cancer Treatment
- ▶ UF Health Cancer Center is accredited by the Commission on Cancer, a Quality Program of the American College of Surgeons

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Patient Care (continued)

Outpatient care facilities:

- ▶ UF Health Children’s Surgical Center
- ▶ UF Health Florida Surgical Center
- ▶ UF Health Surgical Specialists – Heart & Vascular Hospital
- ▶ UF Health Surgical Specialists – Shands Hospital
- ▶ UF Health Surgical Specialists – Springhill

Research

The UF Department of Surgery conducts basic and translational research to assess and improve outcomes. We have five primary areas of investigations:

- ▶ Cell death and signaling
- ▶ Inflammation biology and surgical science
- ▶ Population science and outcomes research
- ▶ Stem cell science and regenerative medicine
- ▶ Vascular biology

Research training is integrated into our surgical training program. All residents are devoted to developing expertise in an area of scholarship for two years. Some surgical residents choose to extend their research time to earn a PhD through UF’s Interdisciplinary Program in Biomedical Sciences.

Education

The UF Department of Surgery has a long tradition of training outstanding clinical surgeons and leaders in academic surgery. In addition to the general surgery residency training program, we offer subspecialty training programs in the surgical fields of acute care, minimally invasive and bariatric, pediatrics, plastic and reconstruction, surgical critical care, thoracic and cardiovascular, transplantation and vascular.

Our faculty members are committed to developing well-rounded surgeons who excel in patient care and in research that will advance the science of surgical care. They also mentor aspiring surgeons through a surgical interest group for medical students and provide shadowing opportunities for undergraduates.

50

general surgery residents,
9 residents and 16 fellows

107

active awards (31 NIH awards,
52 clinical trials and
24 other types)

\$7.9 million

active funding (\$5.9 million
from NIH)

#29

rank for NIH funding to
U.S. medical schools in 2020

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