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University of Florida Association of Military Alumni group's newsletter for
Gator veterans and UF military-affiliated alumni

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WARNO: Freshman Scholarship Application Deadline – April 17

Now is the time to apply for UFAMA's 2026–2027 freshman scholarships. UFAMA will award \$5,000 in total funding to five incoming University of Florida students with military, veteran, Department of War, or ROTC connections—or who have been meaningfully influenced by military service.

Deadline: 5 p.m., April 17. Apply [online](#) or by emailing a completed [form](#).

This program reflects UFAMA's continued commitment to supporting the next generation of Gators with ties to the military community.

If you have questions, contact scholarships@gatormilitary.org.

Gator Nation Giving Day Assessment: "Mission Accomplished"

Gators around the world came together to raise more than \$11.2 million in support of University of Florida programs and organizations. UFAMA made an impressive

showing: We raised \$7,291 and earned 5th place among 17 affiliate groups and chapters!

Thanks to the strength of the Gator military community, this year's scholarship program is now fully funded!



UFAMA Recognized at UF Leadership Conference

UFAMA and its board earned top honors at the [Alumni Volunteer Leadership Conference](#) in Gainesville last month.

The annual event brings together leaders from the University of Florida Alumni Association, Gator clubs and affiliate groups to celebrate achievements and develop future leaders.

In its first year of eligibility as an affiliate group, UFAMA earned four major honors:

- **Outstanding Communications Award** for consistent, creative, and effective outreach
- **Collaboration Award** for the Gotham Gator Club's "NYC Summer Happy Hour Series," in partnership with UFAMA and eight affiliate groups
- **Regional Director's Award** for innovation and program impact
- The **Leader of the Year** accolade went to UFAMA founder and first president **Kevin Crowsyn** for his exceptional leadership and service to Gator Nation.

Kevin further represented UFAMA by co-leading two featured sessions on alumni engagement and scholarship development, highlighting our growing influence within Gator Nation.



(Editor's note: Since publication, we've learned that the 2026 Military Reunion Weekend dates are in flux and still TBD. We will provide updates on the actual dates as soon as possible.)

SAVE THE DATE: Military Reunion Weekend, ~~Nov. 19-22~~

Consider yourself invited to reconnect with UFAMA members, friends, and family (and share your favorite war stories from your 6-month stint at Camp Arifjan) Nov. 19-22 in Gainesville.

Join us for the awards dinner, stay for the full weekend or just catch the Gators take on Vanderbilt at The Swamp on Nov. 21.

Lesson Learned from last reunion: *Semper Gumby.*

Additional details and a full weekend agenda will be shared as they become available.

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