



FIU EXPANDS AT 1101 BRICKELL

FIU Downtown on Brickell
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Overwhelming Response to Programs at FIU Downtown on Brickell Prompts University to Lease Three Additional Floors at Premier Office Building

MIAMI (April 25, 2012) – As a result of the success of FIU Downtown on Brickell, FIU has leased three additional floors at 1101 Brickell Avenue, the premier office building in Downtown Miami. The additional space will double the school's footprint at the property, which is owned and managed by prominent developer Florida East Coast Realty, Inc. (FECR), to a total of 60,373 square feet allocated between the North and South Towers.

The new space will be used to accommodate community reception space and two multi-purpose classrooms. It will house the College of Business Administration's reinvented Executive MBA program, designed for top executives at the director level and above, as well as a new Master of Science in Health Information and Management Systems (MSHIMS).

Beginning last fall, FIU Downtown on Brickell has been offering several Master's degree programs, as well as a brand new program, the Master of Arts in Global Governance. Current programs being offered are the Professional MBA and Healthcare MBA, as well as the Master of Science in International Real Estate and Finance and Master of Public Administration. In addition to classrooms, case rooms, faculty and administrative offices, and dining facilities, FIU Downtown on Brickell houses the Metropolitan Center, a public affairs center focused on economic development, land use, housing, and applied social research. The Downtown location accommodates working professionals who attend classes and professional development workshops there.

"As a strong believer in the importance of continued education, I'm extremely pleased that FIU's Downtown programs have been such a wonderful success since opening at 1101 Brickell. The building's prime position on Brickell Avenue provides many professionals working in the area with a convenient location to further their education," said Tibor Hollo, Chairman & President of FECR.

"As we expand our footprint Downtown, FIU will continue its important role in Miami's ongoing economic renaissance," said FIU President Mark Rosenberg. "We look forward to educating the next generation of corporate leaders and entrepreneurs in our state-of-the-art facilities."

1101 Brickell recently underwent a \$26 million renovation and beautification, including "smart" technology upgrades, after FECR acquired the property in 2009. Located on a prime, 3.22-acre site in Downtown Miami's Brickell Financial District, 1101 Brickell is home to one, 11-story and one, 19-story office tower totaling 488,449 square feet, including a 10-story, 550-space parking garage. Taylor & Mathis is the exclusive leasing agent for the property. Available office spaces range from 1,000 up to 20,000 square feet of contiguous space. Amenities include on-site property management and tenant representatives, on-site security, ample visitor parking, and one of the few private parks in Downtown Miami. Shops and conveniences located at 1101 Brickell include the Brickell Deli, Internet Café and Sundry, BankAtlantic, and the United States Post Office. The Consulates of Venezuela, Argentina, and Guatemala are also located in the building.

In addition, through a unique partnership with Hotwire Business Solutions (HBS), 1101 Brickell has become the first “Smart Building” in all of Downtown Miami, offering tenants reduced occupancy costs based on significant, quantifiable savings on today’s most important technological tools, including state-of-the-art VOIP, enhanced high speed internet, video conferencing, long distance telephone, and web services. Further, with a direct link to the Miami Data Vault (MDV), the city’s finest and most secure collocation center and disaster recovery facility, 1101 Brickell is the only address in the Brickell Financial District with built in, off-site data storage.

About Florida International University(FIU):

Florida International University is recognized as a Carnegie engaged university. Its colleges and schools offer more than 180 bachelor’s, master’s and doctoral programs in fields such as engineering, international relations, architecture, law and medicine. As one of South Florida’s anchor institutions, FIU is Worlds Ahead in its local and global engagement, finding solutions to the most challenging problems of our time. FIU emphasizes research as a major component of its mission. It has 160,000 alumni and enrolls 48,000 students in two campuses and three centers including FIU Downtown on Brickell and the Miami Beach Urban Studios. FIU is a member of the Sun Belt Conference and has 400 student-athletes participating in 18 sports. For more information about FIU, visit <http://www.fiu.edu/>.