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# Your Vote, Your Voice: A guide to voting in the upcoming 2024 Presidential Election

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As we approach the upcoming election, it's important to remember the significance of civic participation. Here are some keyways to ensure your vote counts:

### **Voter Registration and Voter Eligibility**

**Register to Vote with <u>TurboVote</u>** (miami.turbovote.org)! <u>TurboVote</u> is the primary voter registration platform for the University of Miami. TurboVote will:

- Help you register to vote and request an absentee ballot.
- Keep you informed of upcoming elections.
- Provide the information you need to vote with confidence.
- For students without a Florida ID, you are able to fill out the form on TurboVote, print it, sign it, stop by the Butler Center to pick up a preaddressed and restamped envelope and mail it to:

Miami-Dade County Supervisor of Elections PO Box 521550 Miami FL, 33152

## Who is eligible to vote in the state of Florida?

- U.S citizens over the age of 18 years old
- UMiami students taking IN-PERSON courses. Prior to registering to vote, out-of-state students living on-campus should check their on-campus residential address and mailing address to

ensure receipt of voter registration materials (voter card) in the mail. <u>Click here</u> for the list of on-campus home/street addresses and mailing addresses.

## You are NOT eligible to vote if:

- Not a U.S. citizen
- UMiami students taking fully REMOTE courses
- Not be a person who has been adjudicated mentally incapacitated with respect to voting in Florida or any other state without having the right to vote restored; and
- Not be a person convicted of a felony without having your right to vote restored.

### Student ID as Voter ID

Students face unique barriers to voting. One such barrier is the requirement to bring an accepted form of identification to cast a ballot.[1] Voter ID laws vary state by state, ranging from no voter ID requirement to strict photo ID requirements that only include certain types of ID that meet specific criteria. Some of these states accept student IDs issued by colleges and universities; others do not.

[1] Some voter ID laws also apply to absentee voting but this brief focuses on in-person voting requirements.

For more information, please visit <a href="https://campusvoteproject.org/student-id-as-voter-id/">https://campusvoteproject.org/student-id-as-voter-id/</a>

### **Dates and Deadlines to Remember**

Florida 2024 Election Dates & Deadlines

Official Florida Voter Guide for the 2024 Election Cycle, provided by the Florida Division of Elections.

Important/Key Election Dates for Florida in 2024:

- Deadline to send vote-by-mail ballots to UOCAVA voters: September 21, 2024
- Deadline to send vote-by-mail ballots to domestic voters: September 26, 2024 October 3, 2024
- Deadline to register to vote: October 7, 2024 (no deadline to change party affiliation)
- Deadline to request that ballot be mailed: October 24, 2024
- Early voting period (mandatory period): October 26 November 2, 2024
- Election Day: November 5, 2024

# When is the deadline to request a vote-by-mail ballot?

The deadline to request that a ballot be mailed is no later than 5 p.m. on the 12th day before the election. A Supervisor of Elections must mail the ballot out within 2 business days after a request but no later than the 10th day before election day.

All registered Florida voters have the right to vote by mail, without providing a reason or proof that they'll be out of town. But it's important to know the correct steps to follow so that your ballot will be counted without problems.

### Brief guide to voting by mail:

- Ensure you are registered to vote if you are unsure, check <u>here</u>.
- Request a vote-by-mail ballot be sent at your home or picked up at your <u>County Supervisor of</u> <u>Elections</u>
- Fill out the <u>application form</u>.

#### **Absentee Ballot Information:**

Although most states have absentee voting, deadlines and rules on who can take part vary. Some states require an excuse to vote absentee. Others do not. In most states, you will need to request an absentee ballot to vote in each election. But in some states, you may qualify to sign up to receive absentee ballots for every election - <u>click here</u> to see if you are eligible.

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## **Upcoming Voter Education and Registration Events**

The Butler Center for Service and Leadership is proud to offer voter education programs and events in collaboration with Get Out the Vote and various other campus departments and organizations.

Have questions and need guidance on how to vote, from registering to arriving at the polls? Join us at any of the many events we have to offer this semester! Get Out the Vote representatives will be available to answer questions and help you get your voice heard.

# September:

- Tuesday 24th, Movie Screening- Legally Blonde Cosford Cinema- 8:00-11:00pm
- Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>, Voter Ambassador Training- Shalala 308 Vista Room 12:00-1:00pm
- Thursday 26th, Collaboration with Greek Life- Lakeside Patio 11:00am-2:00pm
- Monday 30, Listen Courageously- Kislak Center 6:00-8:00pm

#### October:

- Tuesday 1st, NAACP, NPHC and LOVE Voting Education Event- Lakeside Patio 12:00-2:00pm
- Tuesday 1st, Election Theme Trivia- The Rat 5:30-8:00pm
- Wednesday 2nd, Pathway to the Polls Series: Sorry Not Sorry- Shalala Ballroom East 5:00-6:30pm click here to RSVP
- Thursday 3rd, Collaboration with United Black Students- Shalala Activities Room 7:00-9:00pm
- Monday 7th, It's Scary Not to Vote! Last Day to Register to Vote Event- Lakeside Patio 12:00-3:00pm
- Monday 7th, National Voter Education Week- Voter Ambassador Training 4:00-5:00pm Shalala
  Vista Room
- Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup>, National Voter Education Week- Voter Ambassador Training 1:00-2:00pm
  Shalala Vista Room
- Wednesday 16th, Pathway to the Polls Series: Don't Worry, Vote Happy Shalala Ballroom East 12:00-1:30pm - click here to RSVP
- Wednesday 16th GOTV General Body Meeting- Shalala Vista Room 6:30-7:30pm
- Monday 21st, Early Voting Event- Breezeway 2:00-3:00pm
- Monday 28th, Early Voting Event- Collab with Project Public Health- Lakeside Patio 12:00-2:00pm

#### November:

- Tuesday 5th, Election Day Event- Butler Center for Service and Leadership- Shalala 204
  11:00am-5:00pm
- Wednesday 6th, Pathway to the Polls: All The Feels UC 2<sup>nd</sup> floor lounge 4:00-6:30pm <u>- click</u> here to RSVP
- Thursday 14th, Pathway to the Polls You Voted: What's Next? The Rock 11:am-1:00pm click here to RSVP
- Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup>, GOTV General Body Meeting- Shalala Iron Arrow Room 6:30-7:30pm

# **GOTV Office Hours**

Please stop by the Butler Center Shalala 204 Monday- Friday 10:00am-4:30pm to connect about voting resources!

Have questions about these events? Reach out via email to <a href="worker.">wote@miami.edu</a>. Follow Get Out the Vote on Instagram @um\_gotv to keep up to date!

