

Pricing Scale: \$=\$10

## Downtown (about 1 mile from campus)

### Restaurants

#### Manuel's

6 South Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 375-7372

Elegant, cozy atmosphere offering the best fine Italian dining in downtown Gainesville. Specialties include custom and signature pasta dishes, chicken, veal, and an extensive wine list. Reservations highly recommended. \$\$\$\$

#### Emiliano's

7 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 375-7381

Chic and lively, this cafe and tapas bar brings together the best in Latin flavors and cuisine, offering a truly unique experience. Entrees include classic ropa vieja, arroz con pollo, and the Cuban sandwich, as well as new twists such as Paella Emiliano's and Salmon Balsamico. Happy hour Monday through Saturday, 4:30-6:30. \$\$\$\$

#### Dragonfly Modern Izakaya & Sushi

201 SE 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave. #104, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 371-3359

Located in the main strip of downtown Gainesville, this restaurant provides modern Japanese tapas-style dining with a twist. The Dragonfly creates a sophisticated lounge atmosphere by offering a range of sushi and fire-grilled tapas alongside a full bar. \$\$\$

#### Harry's

110 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 372-1555

Classic New Orleans kitchen in the heart of downtown Gainesville. Popular entrees include signature Jambalaya, pasta chicken Louisianne, crab cakes, and catfish Pontchartrain. Boasts a full bar with imported and domestic beer, wine by the glass and bottle, and a variety of specialty drinks. Enjoy delicious Cajun cooking in a fun and festive atmosphere. \$\$\$

#### Liquid Ginger

101 SE 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 371-2323

Pan-Asian fusion restaurant serving classic Asian entrees with a twist. Specialties include sautéed and grilled options for chicken, beef, fish, seafood, and vegetarian selections. Offers a wide variety of teas as well as beer and wine options. Open for lunch and dinner. \$\$\$

#### Reggae Shack Café

619 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 377-5464

A Reggae-themed Jamaican restaurant, serving authentic Jamaican dishes, Jamaican-inspired vegetarian cuisine, and a great choice of beer, including brands like Red Stripe

and Jamaican Ginger beer. The Reggae Shack has been ranked as one of the best places to eat in Gainesville by the *Gainesville Sun*. The restaurant is located halfway between UF's campus and downtown Gainesville. \$\$

#### The Jones B-Side

203 SW 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 371-7999

This trendy restaurant specializes in local and sustainable sourcing with many ingredients coming from the local farmer's market. It offers numerous deliciously creative vegetarian and vegan options for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, but keep in mind that checks cannot be split. Located downtown, just west of Main Street. \$\$

#### The Top

30 North Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 337-1188

This Gainesville classic offers American cuisine in a hip and trendy environment in downtown Gainesville. Enjoy custom and signature burgers, sandwiches, chicken, and pasta in a unique atmosphere. Includes extensive vegetarian options. Just be sure to save room for the peanut butter pie! \$\$

#### Flacos

200 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 371-2000

1703 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32603

Flacos has two locations: one downtown and one in midtown, across from the university. Sporting a plain, modest interior, the owners of Flacos are more concerned with producing amazing Cuban sandwiches, arepas, and pastries. They also offer a small selection of beer and wine. Both locations have limited seating, but a Flacos sandwich makes the perfect late night snack since they stay open until 2:30am Thursday through Saturday. \$

## Drinks

#### Durty Nelly's

208 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 374-9567

Nelly's is Gainesville's only Irish Pub in town. It frequently features a full bar, live Irish music on Fridays and open mic night on Saturday in a no fuss, friendly environment. Cover charge for some shows.

#### Half-Cork'd

116 SE 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 519-5221

Contemporary wine lounge in downtown Gainesville. Offers wine by the taste, half-glass, and full glass, as well as champagne, craft beer, and a tapas bar. Often features live music and entertainment.

### Rockey's Dueling Piano Bar

112 South Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 505-0042

Exciting and vibrant, this Gainesville favorite offers live entertainment every night and a variety of beer, wine, and spirits. Located right on Main Street in downtown Gainesville.

### The Midnight

223 South Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 672-6113

Trendy and hip bar in downtown Gainesville with a subdued, casual atmosphere.

Includes a huge range of beer and wine and a small selection of sandwiches, and other simple dishes. A favorite hang-out among UF's grad students. Located on Main Street just south of Big Lou's pizza.

### Wine and Cheese Gallery

113 North Main Street, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 372-8446

The Wine and Cheese Gallery is a full-service wine, cheese and gourmet shop, featuring a popular outdoor patio bistro and an indoor restaurant. It is particularly fun to peruse the winding shelves filled with wine bottles and choose one for dinner. They are open for dinner on Thursday and Friday until 10pm and for lunch Monday through Saturday until 3pm.

## Midtown (near campus)

### Restaurants

#### Bistro 1245

1245 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 376-0000

Right next door to the famous Leonardo's pizza (and owned by the same people) on the corner of University Ave and 13th St., Bistro 1245 offers affordable sandwich and pasta options in a relaxed, comfortable environment. Serves wine and beer. Open for lunch and dinner. \$\$

#### Leonardo's By The Slice

706 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601 (352) 378-2001

A Gainesville classic, their NY style pizza includes favorites such as pepperoni, sausage, Spin Tom, and Florentine, as well as vegetarian, vegan, and gluten-free options. Also serves calzones, pasta, and a limited beer and wine menu. Located on the corner of University Ave and 13th St, directly across the street from UF's campus and the Holiday Inn. \$

### Tijuana Flats

1720 West University Avenue, Gainesville FL 32602 (352) 692-3093

Tex-Mex restaurant in midtown serving specialties such as tacos, burritos, enchiladas, quesadillas, and chimichangas in a vibrant and hip atmosphere. Right across the street from UF's campus. \$

### Italian Gator

1728 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32603 (352) 367-4600

Popular hole-in-the-wall place (literally) serving NY style pizza in midtown. Offers cheese, pepperoni, and daily special slices, or you can customize your own pie. No indoor seating, but limited outdoor seating available. Right next to Jimmy John's on University Ave across from UF's campus. \$

### Designer Greens

1702 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32603 (352) 672-6800

Relaxed and quiet bistro in UF Plaza right in the center of midtown. Offers lighter fare for lunch and dinner including signature salad and sandwich selections, or build-your-own salad. \$

### Pascal's

112 NW 16<sup>th</sup> Street, Gainesville, FL 32603 (352) 377-5480

The coffee shop of the Christian Study Center, Pascal's offers a wide variety of coffees, teas, and specialty beverages as well as light snacks in a cozy coffee shop atmosphere that is perfect for study or conversation. \$

### Tatu

1702 West University Avenue (Second floor) Gainesville, FL 32603 (352) 371-1700

Located in the same midtown plaza as the Copper Monkey and Flacos, Tatu identifies itself as Gainesville's premier Asian fusion restaurant, offering a wide range of sushi, noodles, sashimi, fried rice, and other Vegetarian and meat entrees, and a full bar. \$

## Drinks

### Copper Monkey

1700 West University Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32603 (352) 374-4984

Local pub offering burgers, American cuisine, and daily drink specials. Right across the street from UF's campus in the heart of midtown. Open for lunch and dinner.