

## OVERVIEW

Florida Virtual Campus (FLVC) is a statewide provider of innovative educational support services for all public postsecondary institutions within the Florida College System and the State University System, and for the larger K-20 education community. FLVC actively collaborates with Florida's 28 public colleges, 12 public universities, K-12 school districts, and other partners to offer services that help students succeed in school and life after graduation.

## DELIVERING COST-EFFECTIVE RESULTS

FLVC's centralized, shared-services model provides greater efficiency, value generation, cost savings, and optimization of college and university staff, capital, and time. This approach leverages economies of scale, improves productivity by minimizing duplicated efforts, is flexible and agile, and optimizes service delivery.

## CORE SERVICES

Organizationally, FLVC is divided into two primary units – Library Services, and Distance Learning & Student Services – each serving the unique needs of Florida's students, parents, educators, and institutions.

- **Library Services:** Operates the integrated library system used by Florida's public postsecondary academic libraries, a shared catalog of library collections, and a statewide, shared collection of online journals, e-books, and other valuable e-resources.
- **Distance Learning and Student Services (DLSS):** Provides an array of innovative educational services for students, educators, and administrators in the Sunshine State. Additionally, DLSS manages the FloridaShines.org website, offering free online tools and resources to help students prepare for college, succeed in college, and find a bright career.

As a key component of Florida State University's Northwest Regional Data Center, FLVC continues to provide unrivaled library, distance learning, and student academic advising programs and services for Florida's public colleges and universities, and their more than one million students, faculty, and staff statewide.

## STATEWIDE IMPACT

Overall, FLVC's centralized shared-services model saves the state of Florida more than **\$45 million**.

### Centralized Integrated Library System (ILS)

- The ILS provides students with access to more than 18 million books, 215,000 e-resources, and 1.5 million unique digital archival items.
- Students perform more than 25 million catalog searches for library materials each year.
- FLVC's centralized model saves the state of Florida more than **\$16 million**, compared to implementing the system at the 40 individual colleges and universities.
- FLVC saves the state more than **\$1.8 million** in annual ILS software licensing.

### Statewide Collection of Online Journals, E-books, and E-resources

- Students, faculty, and staff used the statewide e-resources collection to perform more than 8 million searches and 6.5 million downloads in 2021-22.
- Centralized licensing of e-resources by FLVC saves the state of Florida **\$13 million** per year, collectively, compared to decentralized licensing.

### Statewide Access to All Library Collections: Interlibrary Loan

- Over the past six years, Florida's college and university libraries have used FLVC's U Borrow system to borrow and lend more than 170,000 items, making each library's collection easily accessible to students across the state.

### Group Licensing for Institutions Desiring E-Resources Beyond the Statewide Collection

- FLVC's group licensing process saves participating institutions more than **\$12 million** per year, compared to the licensing costs for individual institutions.

### FloridaShines Catalog: The Statewide, Online Catalog of Courses, Degree Programs & Resources

- For academic year 2021-22, the FloridaShines Catalog lists more than 96,000 courses offered by Florida institutions.
- Places Florida's institutions in front of hundreds of thousands of students and parents each year who otherwise would not have seen them.

### Florida's Official Transient Student Admissions Application (TSAA)

- In 2021-22, more than 46,000 students used the TSAA process to request admission to other Florida institutions, enabling them to take needed courses and remain on track to graduate.

### Licensing of Distance Learning-related Software on Behalf of Participating Institutions & K-12 Districts

- Negotiation of group licensed software by FLVC saved Florida more than **\$2.2 million** in 2021-22, compared to the licensing costs for individual institutions and K-12 districts.

## LEADERSHIP

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