**AIRPORT:**

The most convenient airport for students without a car to use is Ft. Lauderdale/Hollywood International.  The university doesn’t provide shuttle service to the airports, however, there are reasonably priced options using public transit.  I personally have used both the bus system and train system highlighted below without incident.  Both are clean and the train has security on board.  Several of our students use this mode to commute to FAU.

Here is the mapped out transit trip to the airport from FAU

1. Students can catch the #94 Palm Tran Bus from in front of the Administration building here on campus (please note they don’t run on Saturday or Sundays).  The bus takes them directly to the train (Tri-Rail) station on Yamato Road (just one exit on I-95 north of here).
2. Tri-Rail is a three county wide rail system that runs north and south.  Students wishing to go to the Ft. Lauderdale & Miami airports should get on a train heading South.
3. Students wishing to go to the Lauderdale/Hollywood International airport should exit the train at the Fort Lauderdale/Hollywood International Airport Station at Dania Beach stop. Students wishing to go the Miami International Airport should exit the train at the Hialeah market/Miami Airport.
4. Once off the train, the student should get on the FLA 1 Tri-Rail Shuttle.  This shuttle picks up each time a train arrives.  The shuttle drops off (and picks up) at each terminal at the airport.

Students get a 50% discount for the Tri-Rail (but they must make sure they have their Owl Cards).  Using the Tri-Rail website it looks like this option will cost a student about $2.50. Please visit [www.bocatmi.com/fau](http://www.bocatmi.com/fau) for the specific bus (Palm Tran) and Tri-Rail information.

The other alternative is to use a car service or shuttle service from the airport.  This will be a much more expensive option as the airport is a good distance from FAU.

**TRAIN:**

There is another inexpensive option to get to Tampa.  Students can follow steps 1 and 2 listed above but this time get off at the Deerfield Beach station.  (the first station South but they can’t get from FAU to Deerfield without going north to the Yamato Station (where bus #94 will take them)).  They can pre-purchase or probably purchase at the Deerfield station Amtrak tickets to Tampa.  I did a quick search looking at dates and found that the cost from Deerfield to Tampa is about $34.00 and only takes about 4.5 hours. I have had students in the past that have also used this option because the price is so good.  Amtrak’s website is <http://www.amtrak.com/servlet/ContentServer?pagename=Amtrak/HomePage>.

**BUS:**

Florida Express Bus: <http://www.thefloridaexpressbus.com/>

Gainsville to South Florida: GMG Busses GMG Transports  
Phone: 352-215-8196 / 352-336-7026   
Email: lilpaez@aol.com

Website: <https://secure.netsolhost.com/gmgtrans.com/index_new.php>

$45 round trip (for now)

**BUS:**

Mega Bus

The Mega Bus is a new inexpensive option to get to Tampa & Orlando. Students can follow steps 1 and 2 listed above but will be getting off at the Sheridan Street Stop. Students have to purchase tickets online and must have a copy of the literary present to board the bus. The price varies depending on when the ticket is purchased.

http://us.megabus.com/