THE TIGERT FUND
A DONOR-ADVISED FUND BENEFITING THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA
John James Tigert was president of the University of Florida from 1928 to 1947. He received his BA from Vanderbilt University in 1904. That same year, he received a Rhodes Scholarship to attend Oxford.

Tigert served for four years as president of Kentucky Wesleyan College. He then went to the University of Kentucky, where he served as chair of the philosophy and psychology departments and football coach. After 10 years at Kentucky and service during World War I, Tigert was appointed U.S. commissioner of education, serving during the Harding and Coolidge presidential administrations.

As president of the University of Florida, he focused on curricular reform, administrative organization and research support. The undergraduate program was reorganized, and entrance requirements were strengthened. Tigert is credited with creating the General College in 1935 and instituting standardized testing for freshmen and sophomores. The creation of the General College allowed the other colleges to expand the number of upper-level classes. He also helped to rewrite the rules for college football, establishing scholarships for players and assisting in forming the Southeastern Conference.

After his retirement from UF in 1947, Tigert taught philosophy at the University of Miami for nine years. In 1960, the University of Florida’s new administration building was named in his honor. He died in 1965 at age 82.
**Major Advantages**

- Immediate charitable contribution, deductible subject to normal IRS limitations — without making an immediate decision on the recipients of your philanthropy.

- Support the UF program(s) of your choice, while retaining the flexibility and discretion to support other charitable interests.

- No initial set-up fees and low management fees compared to commercial investment firms.

- The ability to, in effect, operate your own charitable giving fund without incurring the expense of establishing and maintaining a formal foundation.

- The UF Foundation handles all administrative activities for the account.

- Your investment potentially earns higher returns because it becomes part of a $1 billion endowment investment pool managed by professionals.
How it Works

- Donor establishes an account with the UF Foundation with a minimum gift of $50,000.
- Donor designates that at least 50 percent of the gift benefits the University of Florida. The remainder is available for giving to charities unrelated to UF, upon the recommendations of the donor to the Tigert Fund committee.
- All funds are invested through the University of Florida Investment Corporation (UFICO) as part of the UF endowment pool for greatest possible return.
- The UF Foundation makes disbursements to qualified 501(c)(3) U.S. public charities on behalf of the donor.

Who is Eligible to Open an Account?

- Anyone making a gift of $50,000 or more.
- Likely candidates include those experiencing significant taxable events, such as the sale of a business, stock liquidation, significant real estate sale, etc.

For more information, contact the University of Florida Foundation. Planned giving professionals will answer all your questions about how to get your Tigert Fund account started and the many ways to tailor advantages to your needs.
Realize the charitable tax deduction benefits in the first year of your gift, then advise the UF Foundation on charitable contributions you’d like to have made from the balance of your gift to UF. The UF Foundation handles all administrative details for you.
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