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## Forever

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## Highlights

April 2026 in FWIB was full of compelling events and was a great way to wrap up the Spring semester! This month was filled with opportunities to connect with other members, engage in networking opportunities, and participate in elections for next year's E-board.

Events began with a collaboration between FWIB and EcoGators, where members could connect over tote bag decorating. Mentors and mentees re-connected for Mentor Mentee meeting #3, encouraging everyone to establish lasting relationships as the semester came to a close.

Bank of America hosted two events this month, one of which was exclusive to FWIB members. The BofA x FWIB Networking Workshop fostered connection with the company through UF alumni from Bank of America's Global Payment Solutions and Chief Financial Office Group.

## APRIL RECAP

- EcoGators x FWIB Social
- Mentor Mentee #3
- BofA x FWIB Networking Workshop
- BofA Lunch & Learn
- GBM #12 with L'Oreal
- E-board Elections
- FWIB Banquet

Our last general body meeting featured a discussion on overcoming imposter syndrome and a presentation from L'Oreal. To bring April to a close, E-board elections provided a great opportunity for members to display their professional development skills, and to support one another along the way. All of FWIB's hard work for this past semester was celebrated at the Spring Banquet with fun activities and awards!

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## Leadership

As the semester came to a close, our pillar of leadership stuck out this past month. At the Spring Banquet, our E-board passed the torch to FWIB's next E-board team. FWIB members celebrated an excellent semester and year with awards for top point earners, building desk bouquets, and listening to inspiring speeches from FWIB's departing E-board. Our members have grown so much over this past year, and will only continue to advance their professional development and leadership skills while empowering one another and uplifting each other to strive for success.

Community played a huge part in April. Members connected with other FWIB members, members from other organizations, and UF alumni. FWIB's community is so supportive of one another and is a great place to meet people that want to see you grow. Creating an environment where women can feel empowered and vested in building their future within UF is the goal. Our E-board this year pioneered that atmosphere, and FWIB members diligently followed. Next year, the FWIB community will only continue to grow and guide one another, upholding FWIB's mission and continuing to make the organization exceptional.

## Community

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# E-Board Spotlight

**Introducing our 2026-2027 Executive Board**

**President: Paige Craven**
**VP of Finance: Claire Sheahan**
**VP of Corporate Relations: Addison Mackert**
**VP of Marketing: Brenda Hernandez**
**VP of Professional Development: Emily Franklin**
**VP of Internal Development: Meghan Kakiel**
**VP of Community Service: Meena Annamalai**
**Director of Social Media: Celina Zaccack**
**Secretary: Lilly Gumson**
**Webmaster: Leah Haynes**

**Congratulations to the new E-Board, we cannot wait to see all that you do next year!**

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