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UF will unveil a new service to all students, faculty and staff on March 31, 2003. myUFL will provide news and personalized links to information and resources across the university.

Located at http://my.ufl.edu, myUFL will serve as a "front door" for logging on to UF Web-based applications and for receiving personalized information about UF. Standard Web browsers such as Internet Explorer and Netscape will be used to access the portal. Users will log on using their existing GatorLink usernames and passwords. No registration, sign-up or other procedure will be needed. Everyone with a GatorLink username and password will be able to use the portal.

Students, faculty and staff will have pages on the portal with content conveniently selected for them. Users of the portal will be able to personalize their pages to remove content of little interest and select content of more interest to them.

Content providers for the portal will include colleges, departments, student organizations and administrative offices of the university. Content authors will use portal Web pages to submit content. Submitted content will be approved by content publishers. Publishers will be appointed by the various groups providing content to the portal.

All portal content is "effective dated" meaning that each piece of content has a starting date and an ending date. Content can be authored and published at any time, but will not appear in the portal until the starting date for the content. Content is removed automatically by the portal on the ending date.

Effective dating and content review by publishers helps ensure that the portal will have timely and accurate information.

Eventually the portal will link to a wide variety of GatorLink-authenticated services, including the Integrated Student Information Systems (ISIS) and the UF Administrative Menu. As additional parts of the ERP (Enterprise Resource Planning) system go into production, the portal will expand to present additional choices to users based on their roles. Students will access registration, records information and course management systems through the portal. Faculty will find grant-related information and links to their courses. Staff members will find links to the pages they will use to perform a wide variety of administrative tasks.

Training for content providers and publishers will be provided by the UF ERP Team beginning March 5. Additional information regarding the portal and the UF ERP project can be found at the ERP Web Site www.exp.ufl.edu [http://www.exp.ufl.edu/].

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