

## Notable Alumni Criteria

Alumnus is defined as an individual who earned a degree from FIU or attended FIU for a minimum of two consecutive semesters and is open to claiming FIU as part of their education.

The following categories have been identified, and criteria for those categories are defined in greater detail to represent the areas listed above.

### **Athletics and Sports**

Athletes and others who have amassed a record of accomplishment in sports (this includes collegiate coaches), professional and Olympic.

### **Business Leaders**

Leaders and executives of major international, national or regional corporations including Fortune 500 companies & affiliates; entrepreneurs who have founded and established major business enterprises; owners or primary shareholders of privately held companies with revenues over \$10 million. (company-driven)

### **Industry and Professional Leaders**

Individuals who have made major contributions to their particular industry or profession. (industry-driven)

### **Political office and governmental service**

Individuals who have been elected to major political office, including: U.S. Congress; leaders in state government and state legislatures; and mayors of large cities. Individuals who have served in high-level appointed or elected positions in national or state government, including the military.

### **Community leaders and philanthropists**

Individuals who have made important contributions to the betterment of society and their communities as either executives or volunteer leaders of major not-for-profit institutions. Individuals who have made major philanthropic commitments to the betterment of our institutions and communities.

### **Arts and Entertainment**

Individuals who have made significant contributions to literature, the visual or performing arts, or the entertainment and arts industries and communities. Includes authors, producers, directors, actors and executives.

### **Media**

Individuals who have made major contributions in journalism and other media.

### **Scholars and Educators**

Individuals who have made significant contributions to research and their scholarly discipline; individuals who have assumed national or regional leadership positions in education at all levels.