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## FORMER UF ATHLETIC DIRECTOR JEREMY FOLEY TO BECOME PROFESSOR OF PRACTICE in SPORT LEADERSHIP in the UF DEPARTMENT OF TOURISM, RECREATION AND SPORT MANAGEMENT



Jeremy Foley

**GAINESVILLE, FL** — The Department of Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management at the University of Florida is honored to announce that Jeremy Foley, University of Florida's Athletics Director Emeritus, will serve as a Professor of Practice in Sport Leadership beginning Fall 2017.

Foley became an Emeritus Athletic Director on October 1, 2016 after a 25 year tenure as athletic director. Foley handled virtually every aspect of University of Florida's \$119.3 million athletic program during his time as AD. He began working in the Gator Ticket Office in 1976 as an intern, working his way up, and was named UF's Athletics Director in March 1992. Under his direction, the Gators won 27 national titles in 10 different sports.

Foley will join the sport management faculty and serve as an instructional faculty member. The sport management program currently enrolls approximately 300 undergraduates and 55 graduate students in its oncampus program. Online, the program enrolls 140 undergraduate students and 100 graduate students.

As part of his position as Professor of Practice, Foley will give provide several lectures to undergraduate and graduate students in a variety of courses and will also teach a seminar annually on *Leading People and Organizations in Athletics.* 

The Department of Tourism, Recreation and Sport Management, located in the College of Health and Human Performance, currently enrolls approximately 750 students and has 22 full-time faculty members.

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