

# How to Get Started on Blogs.IFAS.UFL.EDU

UF/IFAS has more than 700 bloggers across Florida feeding content to over 100 blogs. There are blogs for Extension officers, research centers, departments, programs, schools, and more! Blog posts are a great outreach opportunity to help spread awareness about your program. Each blog is also tracked through analytics, allowing you to quantify and report the impact of your outreach.

## Get Started Blogging.

1. Submit a web services request: <https://ics.ifas.ufl.edu/web-work-request/>. The webteam will send you a link to complete a brief online training course.
2. Email the [webteam@ifas.ufl.edu](mailto:webteam@ifas.ufl.edu) once you have completed the course to be added to your blog.
3. Write your author profile: in WordPress *Biographical Info* is your bio and *Avatar* is your profile image. Now you can start blogging!

## Helpful Tips.

- Access Analytics: Submit a web services request: <https://ics.ifas.ufl.edu/web-work-request/>.
- Photo Resources & Editing Tutorials: Under *How Do I Crop Photos?... and What Images Can I Use?...* <https://ics.ifas.ufl.edu/our-services/bloggng/>
- Blog Tag Lexicon: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1h3BY4dVpRcCHFxr\\_a5ENpxxa9ZhznO3\\_whhoNjYcAl/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1h3BY4dVpRcCHFxr_a5ENpxxa9ZhznO3_whhoNjYcAl/edit?usp=sharing)

## Posting Guidelines.

1. Don't plagiarize--words or images!
2. Don't share press releases before they are officially released.
3. Avoid bias - stick to scientific findings & recommendations.
4. Don't post ads, promotions, or spam.
5. UF/IFAS Blogging Community Guidelines: <http://blogs.ifas.ufl.edu/community-guidelines/>

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Looking for more info? Follow this link for more resources for UF/IFAS bloggers:

<https://ics.ifas.ufl.edu/our-services/bloggng/>

Branding.ifas.ufl.edu provides recorded trainings on a variety of topics:

<http://branding.ifas.ufl.edu/training/>