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Nova Southeastern U doubles Tampa space

Nova Southeastern University plans to double its space in the Tampa area, taking 81,500 square feet in Sabal Corporate Center.

The Fort Lauderdale-based college has signed a 10-year lease with the building's landlord, Eola Capital of Orlando.

NSU, which has about 1,200 students in the Tampa area, plans to add an anesthesiologist assistant degree program, beginning in the first quarter of next year.

In addition to Tampa, the college also has student centers in Miami, West Palm Beach, Orlando, Jacksonville and Fort Myers.

"This significant expansion is an exciting improvement for the Tampa community," Eola Capital Regional Vice President Kyle Burd said in a statement.

The university presently offers graduate and undergraduate degrees in business, education, psychology, counseling, health care and leadership in Tampa.

The new lease means there's no space left in the Sabal Park Plaza building at 3632 Queen Palm Drive, Burd said.