SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Approve Amended Board of Governors Regulation 3.006 Accreditation

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval to amend Board of Governors Regulation 3.006 Accreditation.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

A system-wide work group was appointed by the SUS Council of Academic Vice Presidents to review Regulation 3.006. After the review of this regulation, the workgroup recommended the following amendments for consideration by the Board of Governors:

- Language is incorporated to require that specialized accreditation be earned and maintained for academic programs in which graduation from an accredited program is a prerequisite to achieve licensure or certification for professional practice.
- Language was removed that directed institutions to provide the Office of the Board of Governors with a rationale explaining why a certain program is not seeking accreditation.
- Language is added to require institutions to provide immediate notification to the Office of the Board of Governors when an accredited academic program is placed on warning, probation, or when the accreditation status is revoked by an accrediting body, and to provide any report on the adverse accreditation findings provided by the discipline-specific accrediting body.

The regulation has been reviewed by the university general counsels, Council of Academic Vice Presidents, Council of Student Affairs, and other state university staff. The regulation was approved for noticing by the Board on November 5, 2014. No concerns were expressed about the amendment language during the notice period.

Supporting Documentation Included: Amended Regulation 03.006