

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
May 10, 2007

SUBJECT: Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering at the University of Central Florida to be 128 Credit Hours to Degree

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering (CIP 14.0803) at the University of Central Florida to be 128 hours to degree

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 7(d), Article IX, Florida Constitution; 1007.25(8) F. S.; Regulation 6C-8.014

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Regulation 6C-8.014, approved by the Board of Governors on March 29, 2007, states that Baccalaureate degree programs are required to be no more than 120 credit hours to degree unless an exception is approved by the Board of Governors. Historically this exception has been approved for those programs that require additional coursework to meet specialized accreditation standards or pre-licensing content requirements.

The University of Central Florida is seeking approval for its new Bachelor of Science in Construction Engineering to be 128 credit hours to degree in order to meet ABET, Inc. (formerly Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology) accreditation requirements for Construction Engineering programs. The increase in credit hours is due to the multidisciplinary curriculum, which calls for proficiency in construction management as well as mathematics and physical sciences. This is the first Construction Engineering program offered in the State University System. All existing engineering programs in the State University System have been approved to exceed 120 credit hours to degree and the request by the University of Central Florida is consistent with other engineering programs.

Documentation Included:

None

Facilitators/Presenters:

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