

BOARD OF GOVERNORS
STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
January 29, 2009

SUBJECT: Action to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 6.0115 -
Religious Observances

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve amended Regulation 6.0115.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 7(d), Article IX, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Regulation 6.0115 provides requirements for each university board of trustees to establish a regulation for religious observances in accordance with minimum guidelines established by the Board of Governors. Institution policies must reasonably accommodate the religious observance, practice, and belief of individual students in regard to admissions, class attendance, and the scheduling of examinations and work assignments. Each regulation shall include a grievance procedure and shall be made clearly known to all students and faculty.

This regulation has been reviewed by the university general counsels, Council of Academic Vice Presidents, Council for Student Affairs, and SUS academic contacts.

Pursuant to the regulation procedure adopted by the Board at its March 23, 2006 meeting, the Board was required to provide public notice by publication on its Internet Web site at least 30 days before adoption of the proposed regulation.

Supporting Documentation Included:	Regulation 6.0115 Religious Observances included in November 2008 Board meeting materials: http://www.flbog.org/pressroom/meeting_agenda.php?id=11
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