BOARD OF GOVERNORS STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA

June 18, 2009

SUBJECT: Approval of Credit-By-Exam Equivalency List

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approval of the Articulation Coordinating Committee's recommended Credit-By-Exam Equivalencies, effective August 1, 2009.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Section 7(d), Article IX, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Section 1007.27, Florida Statutes, requires the establishment of passing scores and course and credit equivalencies for Advanced Placement (AP), Advanced International Certificate of Education Program (AICE), International Baccalaureate (IB), and College-Level Examination Programs (CLEP). The DSST (formerly DANTES) and Excelsior exam equivalencies on the list are also authorized but not part of the statutory requirement. These two exams are included as guidance to postsecondary institutions; however, the award of credit for DSST and Excelsior examinations is not required. The Articulation Coordinating Committee (ACC) is directed to maintain and review annually the Credit-By-Examination Guidelines and to recommend appropriate changes to the Board of Governors and the State Board of Education.

Board of Governors Regulation 6.006 Acceleration Mechanisms specifies that baccalaureate degree programs shall be structured so that students are able to meet twenty-five percent (25%) of the requirements through articulated acceleration mechanisms, including meeting the credit-by-exam equivalencies as specified in the ACC guidelines.

The current revision includes DSST equivalencies and an expansion of course equivalencies for the Advanced Placement Literature and Language/Composition exams. It was approved by the ACC at its May 27, 2009 meeting.

Supporting Documentation Included: (Credit-By-Examination Equivalencies are

found behind the Strategic Planning tab)

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