

Board of Governors, State University System of Florida
**EXCEPTION TO THE 120 CREDIT HOURS REQUIREMENT FOR
 BACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS
 REQUEST FORM**

In Accordance with BOG Regulation 8.014

UNIVERSITY: University of South Florida Tampa

PROGRAM NAME: Biomedical Engineering

CIP CODE: 14.0501
 (Classification of Instructional Programs)

EFFECTIVE TERM: Spring 2019

Please use this form to request an exception to the 120 credit hours requirement for a new or existing program.

To request changes to the number of credit hours for a program that is already approved for an exception to the 120 credit hours please send a memorandum signed by the provost to the BOG Academic and Student Affairs staff.

- 1. List all the majors associated with this program and the desired program length for each one of them. Please see the definition of program major in Regulation 8.011, New Academic Program Authorization.**

Major Name (add rows as needed)	Current number of credit hours	Requested number of credit hours
Biomedical Engineering	New Program	126

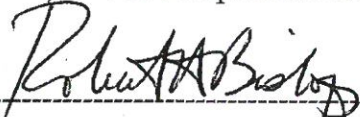
- 2. Provide a narrative on why a new exception to 120 credit hours is needed for the major(s) indicated above?**

The proposed degree program requires the completion of 126 credits. This is required:

- a) To accommodate the curriculum to provide the knowledge and skills expected of biomedical engineering students in the workplace and professional schools, such as medical and graduate schools, and
- b) To satisfy the national accreditation requirements from ABET- Accreditation Board for Engineering and Technology.

We therefore request an exception to the 120 credit hour to degree regulation for this major. In addition, we are requesting that this program be designated limited access due to:


- a) Very large anticipated demand, and
- b) Limited resources and space, equipment and other instructional facilities, including required laboratories for accreditation; and
- c) The development and maintenance of a quality program.



Signature of Requestor/ Initiator

4/25/18

Date




Signature of President or Vice President for Academic Affairs

5/21/18

Date

June 12, 2018

Date Approved by the Board of Trustees



Signature of the Chair of the Board of Trustees

6/12/18

Date

References: