

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
November 6, 2014**

**SUBJECT:** Limited Access Status for the Bachelor in Dramatic Arts, CIP 50.0501, at the University of West Florida

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

Consider for approval limited access status for the Bachelor in Dramatic Arts, CIP 50.0501, at the University of West Florida.

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Board of Governors Regulation 8.013

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The University of West Florida requests Limited Access status for the Bachelor in Dramatic Arts offered under CIP 50.0501. The program currently includes two tracks, a Bachelor of Arts in Theater with a specialization in Design/Technology and Performance Studies, and a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Music Theater. This action is requested because the Theater Department is preparing to seek accreditation from the National Association of Schools of Theater which has very specific requirements for student admission, all of which will require the program to be limited access under Regulation 8.013. Students that seek admission into the Music Theater track will have to audition, provide a resume, as well as letters of recommendation from their current instructors. Students seeking admission into the Design/Technology and Performance Studies specialization will have to present a portfolio or interview for acceptance. These requirements are not expected to affect the ability of Florida College System associate of arts degree program graduates to compete for program space.

Similar undergraduate programs at other state universities are already approved for limited access.

The UWF Board of Trustees approved the Limited Access Status of the program on September 9, 2014. If approved, UWF plans to implement Limited Access Status, effective spring 2015.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** Information located in the Academic and Student Affairs Committee materials