

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
March 19, 2015**

SUBJECT: Doctorate in Clinical Nutrition (CIP 51.3102) at the University of North Florida

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of the Doctorate in Clinical Nutrition at the University of North Florida, CIP Code 51.3102.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Board of Governors Regulation 8.011

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University of North Florida (UNF) requests to offer a Doctorate in Clinical Nutrition (DCN) with an emphasis in Advanced Practice. The proposed program is designed to enhance the research and practical skills of advanced practitioners in the field of nutrition and dietetics. The doctoral program will require 54 credit hours beyond the Master's degree. The curriculum includes 54 semester credit hours (21 core credit hours, 18 research credit hours, 9 credit hour clinical residency, and 6 credit hours of electives). Graduates are expected to be prepared for employment in both clinical and academic settings in the public and private sectors.

The proposed program would be the first of its kind in the State University System and does not substantially duplicate existing programs in the SUS or within the private sector in Florida.

The UNF Board of Trustees approved the program on January 7, 2014. If the proposal is approved by the Board of Governors, UNF will implement the program in Fall 2016.

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