#### STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS January 21, 2016

# **SUBJECT:** Amend Board of Governors Regulation 6.002 Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen

# PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve amendments to Board of Governors Regulation 6.002 Admission of Undergraduate First-Time-in-College, Degree-Seeking Freshmen

### **AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution and Board of Governors Regulation Development Procedure

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Regulation 6.002 provides guidance related to minimum standards expected for admission of undergraduate first-time-in-college (FTIC), degree-seeking freshmen. The proposed amendments to the regulation acknowledge the newly redesigned SAT (rSAT) that will be administered beginning in March 2016. The amendment provides clarification as to the treatment of scores during the transition time. Additionally, the essay portion of the admission tests are proposed to be dropped beginning spring 2017 as both the rSAT essay and the ACT essay are now optional for students. Knowledge of writing skills is still included in the standard tests.

The regulation was reviewed by university general counsels, the Council of Academic Vice Presidents, the Council of Student Affairs, and other state university staff. The regulation amendment was approved for noticing on November 4, 2015. No concerns were expressed about the language during this notice period.