

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
November 9, 2017**

**SUBJECT:** Doctor of Athletic Training at the Florida International University, CIP Code 51.0913

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Consider approval for the Doctor of Athletic Training at Florida International University, CIP Code 51.0913.

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

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

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Florida International University (FIU) is proposing a Doctor of Athletic Training (DAT). This degree would be a post-professional clinical program in the Nicole Wertheim College of Nursing and Health Sciences. The DAT is designed to provide advanced education and evidence-based clinical experience to enhance patient-centered care, outcomes, and quality of life for individuals. The program focus will be on injury/illness prevention and entrepreneurial leadership. Graduates will be prepared to work in consultation with, and under the supervision of, physicians to improve patient outcomes. Potential employment opportunities also include serving in clinical faculty roles, start-up businesses, and government agencies and corporations.

The proposed Doctor of Athletic Training would be the first doctoral program in Athletic Training to be offered in the State University System. The program will require the completion of 48 credit hours.

The FIU Board of Trustees approved the program on June 2, 2017. If approved by the Board of Governors, FIU will implement the program effective Fall 2018.

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