

**State University System  
Education and General  
2023-2024 Legislative Budget Request  
Form I**

**Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network  
Reverse Transfer**

<b>University(s):</b>	
<b>Request Title:</b>	<b>Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network Reverse Transfer</b>
<b>Date Request Approved by University Board of Trustees:</b>	<b>N\A</b>
<b>Recurring Funds Requested:</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Non-Recurring Funds Requested:</b>	
<b>Total Funds Requested:</b>	<b>\$100,000</b>
<b>Please check the request type below:</b>	
<b>Shared Services/System-Wide Request</b>	<b>x</b>
<b>Unique Request</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**I. Purpose -**

Section 1007.23 (9), F.S., states:

(9) The articulation agreement must specifically provide for a reverse transfer agreement for Florida College System associate in arts degree-seeking students who transfer to a state university before earning an associate in arts degree. Students must be awarded an associate in arts degree by the Florida College System institution upon completion of degree requirements at the state university if the student earned more than 30 credit hours toward the associate in arts degree from the Florida College System institution. State universities must identify each student who has completed requirements for the associate in arts degree and, upon consent of the student, transfer credits earned at the state university back to the Florida College System institution so that the associate in arts degree may be awarded by the Florida College System institution.

This legislative budget request is for half the funds needed to establish a statewide computer-assisted system within the Florida Postsecondary Academic Library Network for all institutions in the

Florida College System and State University System to use to implement the transfer provision above. The remaining half will be considered by the State Board of Education for inclusion in its Legislative Budget Request.

The system, which would be established by 2024-25, will provide the ability for:

- Universities to identify the students who authorized their records for reverse transfer.
- FCS institutions to retrieve the list of students who are to be evaluated to determine eligibility to receive an AA degree.
- FCS institutions to notify state universities regarding the outcome of each degree audit evaluation and whether the associate in arts degree was conferred.
- Aggregate reporting on the number of students whose records are transmitted and number of students who received the associate in arts degree under the reverse transfer provision of s. 1007.23(9), F.S.

## **II. Return on Investment**

There is no current statewide mechanism for FCS institutions and state universities to exchange records for the purpose of evaluating students for reverse transfer. A computer-assisted process to be used by all institutions will be a more efficient, streamlined approach to meeting the statutory requirements of this program.