

**FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDED REGULATION**

DATE: January 25, 2023

REGULATION NUMBER AND TITLE: 8.005, General Education Core Course Options

SUMMARY:

Board of Governors Regulation 8.005, General Education Core Course Options, outlines the core courses meeting general education requirements required in section 1007.25 (3), Florida Statutes. Completing the general education core and remaining university-specified general education courses is required to complete an undergraduate degree.

In 2021, the legislature amended section 1007.23, Florida Statutes, requiring a committee of public postsecondary institutions to identify three mathematics pathways and the course sequence within each pathway to align with the mathematics skills needed for success in corresponding academic programs and careers. The committee recommended three pathways that include algebra through calculus, statistical reasoning, and mathematical thinking in context. The recommendations also include changing the general education core courses in mathematics. The Articulation Coordinating Committee approved this recommendation at its July 2022 meeting. The proposed amendment to Board Regulation 8.005 aligns with the recommendations approved by the Articulation Coordinating Committee.

FULL TEXT OF THE REGULATION IS INCLUDED WITH THIS NOTICE.

AUTHORITY TO PROPOSE REGULATION(S): Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; BOG Regulation Development Procedure dated March 23, 2006.

THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS' OFFICIAL INITIATING THE PROPOSED REGULATION: Dr. Christy England, Vice Chancellor, Academic and Student Affairs

COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED REGULATION SHOULD BE SUBMITTED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE TO THE CONTACT PERSON IDENTIFIED BELOW. The comments must identify the regulation on which you are commenting:

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8.005 General Education Core Course Options

(1) Prior to the award of an associate in arts or baccalaureate degree, a students entering a state university as a first-time-in-college student in the ~~F~~Fall ~~F~~Fterm 2015 and thereafter must complete at least one ~~(1)~~ course from each of the general education subject areas listed in this section. These courses comprise the general education core as required per section 1007.25(3), Florida Statutes. The remaining courses and credits that will fulfill the total 36-hour general education requirement are at the discretion of the state university. ~~Completion of both~~ Completing the general education core and remaining university-specified general education courses are required ~~for completion of~~ to complete an undergraduate degree.

- (a) Complete one of the following courses in Communication:
ENC X101 English Composition I or
A course with an ENC prefix for which ENC X101 is a direct prerequisite.
- (b) Complete one of the following courses in Humanities:
ARH X000 Art Appreciation or
HUM X020 Introduction to Humanities or
LIT X000 Introduction to Literature or
MUL X010 Introduction to Music Literature/Music Appreciation or
PHI X010 Introduction to Philosophy or
THE X000 Theatre Appreciation.
- (c) Complete one of the following courses in Mathematics for students entering in fall term 2015 through the 2023-2024 academic year:
MAC X105 College Algebra or
MAC X311 Calculus I or
MGF X106 Liberal Arts Mathematics I or
MGF X107 Liberal Arts Mathematics II or
STA X023 Statistical Methods or
A mathematics course for which one of the above general education core course options in ~~m~~Mathematics is a direct prerequisite.
- (d) Complete one of the following courses in Mathematics for students entering in the 2024-2025 academic year and thereafter:
MAC X105 College Algebra or
MAC X311 Calculus or
MGF X130 Mathematical Thinking or
STA X023 Statistical Methods or
A mathematics course for which one of the above general education core course options in ~~m~~Mathematics is a direct prerequisite. To avoid excess credit hours, successful completion of MGF X106 and X107 prior to the 2024-2025 academic year may be used to satisfy the mathematics core in lieu of MGF X130.
- (e) ~~(d)~~ Complete one of the following courses in Natural Sciences:
AST X002 Descriptive Astronomy or
BSC X005 General Biology or

BSC X010 General Biology I or
BSC X085 Anatomy and Physiology I or
CHM X020 Chemistry for Liberal Studies or
CHM X045 General Chemistry I or
ESC X000 Introduction to Earth Science or
EVR X001 Introduction to Environmental Science or
PHY X020 Fundamentals of Physics or
PHY X048 General Physics with Calculus or
PHY X053 General Physics I or

A natural science course for which one of the above general education core course options in ~~an~~Natural s~~ciences~~ciences is a direct prerequisite.

- (f) ~~(e)~~ Complete one of the following courses in Social Sciences:
AMH X020 Introductory Survey Since 1877 or
ANT X000 Introduction to Anthropology or
ECO X013 Macroeconomics or
POS X041 American Government or
PSY X012 Introduction to Psychology or
SYG X000 Principles of Sociology.

(2) ~~A~~ S~~s~~t~~u~~d~~e~~n~~t~~s~~ who transfers into a state university or between state universities shall be required to meet the above general education core requirements if the students ~~were~~ was classified as first-time-in-college at their original postsecondary institution ~~F~~all ~~T~~erm 2015 and thereafter. Any course accepted by an institution in the Florida College System or State University System as meeting the general education core at that institution shall be accepted as meeting the core requirements at all institutions. All credit earned by other transfer students shall be evaluated by the receiving institution on a course-by-course basis to determine core equivalency.~~

(3) Institutions shall report to the Statewide Course Numbering System all courses used to fulfill subject area core course options. Any course recommended to be added to the list of general education core course options from section (1) shall be reported to the Office of K-20 Articulation at <https://www.fldoe.org/policy/articulation/> for review. Institutions may apply their ~~own~~ course titles to the general education core course options.

(4) Institutions must recognize credit earned through an acceleration mechanism in Section 1007.27, Florida Statutes, and Board of Governors Regulation 6.006, Acceleration Mechanisms, as meeting the related general education core course requirement.

(5) Institutions may grant a substitution or modification to the courses listed above for eligible disabled students, subject to Board of Governors Regulation 6.018, Substitution or Modification of Requirements for Program Admission, Undergraduate Transfer, and for Graduation by Students with Disabilities.

Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const., Sections 1007.25, 1007.23, Florida Statutes; New 6-19-2014, Amended: XX-XX-23.