

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF
FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
January 25, 2023**

SUBJECT: Doctor of Dental Medicine, CIP 51.0401, Florida Atlantic University

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of the Doctor of Dental Medicine, CIP 51.0401, Florida Atlantic University.

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS
ACTION**

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

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Florida Atlantic University is proposing a Doctor of Dental Medicine. The proposed program is a Program of Strategic Emphasis in Health and will be administered by the newly created College of Dentistry on the main campus. The System has one other dental program under CIP 51.0401 at the University of Florida. The program aims to produce general dentists who will provide comprehensive oral health care to underserved populations in Florida. Graduates of this program may obtain employment as dentists upon passing the appropriate licensure examination and meeting other licensure requirements. The university will encourage graduates to work in community health centers or private dental practices that serve low-income and rural populations by providing clinical rotations in these communities and loan forgiveness in exchange for service in an underserved area upon graduation.

The university proposes charging \$41,720 per year for resident students and \$68,200 for non-resident students. The tuition amount includes the fees for the proposed program and aligns with the approved tuition and fees for the dental program at the University of Florida. The university does not intend to operate this program through continuing education on a cost-recovery basis, seek approval for market-rate tuition, or establish differentiated graduate-level tuition.

Florida Atlantic University's Board of Trustees approved the program on December 8, 2022. If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee, the proposal will be forwarded to the full Board for consideration. If approved by the Board of Governors, the university will implement the program effective fall 2026.

Dr. Joel Berg, Director of Dental Program Initiatives at Florida Atlantic University, will provide an overview of the proposal.

Supporting Documentation Included:

1. Board Staff Analysis
2. Proposal and Supporting Documents

Facilitators/Presenters:

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