

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
Task Force on Academic and Workforce Alignment  
March 29, 2023**

**SUBJECT:** Recommendation 4: System-wide Definitions for Experiential Learning

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

For information

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

In January 2022, the Board of Governors approved the Task Force on Academic and Workforce Alignment recommendations, which aim to strengthen the relationship between State University System institutions and the Florida business community.

The fourth task force recommendation directs the Board office to facilitate a workgroup to develop system-wide definitions for experiential learning. Board staff convened a workgroup comprised of academic and student affairs staff, who developed definitions for seven types of experiential learning with examples for each category. These categories describe multiple avenues to engage students beyond the classroom, providing students with various opportunities to build different skill sets needed to become better prepared for the workforce. The categories, and corresponding definitions, also provide common terminology and understanding to enhance conversations about experiential learning across the State University System.

Ms. Emily Sikes, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Strategic Initiatives and Economic Development, will provide an overview of the System's definitions for experiential learning.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

System-wide Definitions of  
Experiential Learning

**Facilitators/Presenters:**

Ms. Emily Sikes