

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA**  
**BOARD OF GOVERNORS**  
**Academic Affairs Committee**  
March 26, 2026

**SUBJECT:** General Education Update

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

Consider approval of updates to 2026-27 State University General Education Course Lists.

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Section 1007.55, Florida Statutes

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Section 1007.55, Florida Statutes, specifies principles, standards, and content for general education courses. This is to ensure that every undergraduate student graduates as an informed citizen through participation in rigorous general education courses that promote and preserve the constitutional republic through traditional, historically accurate, and high-quality coursework. General education courses must meet the criteria outlined in sections 1007.55 and 1007.25, Florida Statutes. Section 1007.55, Florida Statutes, requires the Board of Governors to approve or reject the list for each state university.

The Board of Governors approved the 2026-27 university general education course lists at its January 29, 2026, meeting and delegated authority to the Chancellor to approve any requests from universities to remove courses. Since the January meeting, universities have submitted removal requests. Ms. Emily Sikes, Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Student Affairs, will provide an update of these requests to the committee.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

None

**Facilitators/Presenters:**

Ms. Emily Sikes