STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic Affairs Committee
November 13, 2026

SUBJECT: CIP Change Request, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of the CIP change request for Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University's Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

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

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University proposes changing the CIP code for the Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences from CIP 51.2099, Pharmacy, Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Administration, Other, to CIP 51.2010, Pharmaceutical Sciences. The request reflects the program's current curriculum and scientific focus in pharmacology, toxicology, pharmaceutics, dosage formulation, and regulatory science. The program's curriculum has evolved, with Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University adding a three-course sequence in Advanced Bioorganic Chemistry.

The proposed change will not affect faculty, admission standards, credit hour requirements, course offerings, or program resources. The current curriculum aligns with CIP 51.2010, which more accurately reflects the program's academic content and career preparation in pharmaceutical science and research. The change will also align the program with the University of Florida's Ph.D. in Pharmaceutical Sciences, which is under the same CIP.

If approved by the Academic Affairs Committee, the request will be forwarded to the full Board for consideration. If approved by the Board of Governors, Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University will implement the CIP change effective spring 2027.

Dr. Lynn Nelson, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Innovation, will present an overview of the proposal.

Supporting Documentation Included:
1. Board Staff Analysis
2. Proposal

Facilitators/Presenters: Dr. Lynn Nelson