6.001 General Admissions

(1) Based on minimum standards adopted by the Board of Governors, university boards of trustees must establish the criteria, policies, and procedures by regulation for the admission of students.

(2) University policies and procedures concerning the admission process, including the process for admission decision notification and the appeal process for an admission decision, must be posted on the university's website and in the university catalogs. Universities must post admission criteria and requirements for all programs, including additional criteria or prerequisites beyond admission to the university, on their website and in the university catalog. All university policies must be consistent with the Board of Governors' regulations and policies.

(3) The Board of Governors affirms its commitment to equal educational opportunity and to increasing student diversity in each of the state universities; however, admissions criteria must not include preferences in the admission process for applicants on the basis of race, color, national origin, disability, religion, or sex. Each board of trustees must ensure that its admission process and the university's implementation of the admission process comply with section 1001.7415, Florida Statutes. Failure to comply with section 1001.7415, Florida Statutes, may subject the board of trustees and the university to the enforcement mechanisms in section 1008.322, Florida Statutes.

(4) In the admission of students, each university must take into consideration the applicant's academic ability and may also consider other factors such as creativity, talent, and character.

(5) Each university may return to the applicant without action any application and fees received after the application deadline designated by each institution on its official calendar.

(6) Each university must provide denied applicants notice within a reasonable period of time (as defined by the university board of trustees). Upon the applicant's written request, the university shall provide the written reasons for the denial.

(7) Consideration shall be given to the past actions of any person applying for admission when such actions have been found to disrupt or interfere with the orderly conduct, processes, functions, or programs of any other university, college, or community college. If determined to be in the best interest of the university to deny admission or enrollment to an applicant because of the applicant's past misconduct on or off campus, a university may do so, providing such denial is consistent with state and federal law. University boards of trustees shall establish guidelines regarding evidence required for such action.

(8) Individuals whose admissions applications, residency declaration, or supplemental documents contain false, fraudulent, or incomplete statements may be subject to disciplinary action as outlined in written university policy. Such disciplinary action may include denial of admission, suspension of registration, invalidation of college credit, invalidation of degree, dismissal from the university, or other disciplinary action. In some cases, e.g., false information on a financial aid application, such behavior may lead to legal consequences.

(9) Prior to registration, each student accepted for admission must submit a signed medical history form, including documentation of appropriate immunization as required by each university. Some students may be required to undergo diagnostic procedures prior to registration. Exceptions may be granted pursuant to university policies. Each university may reserve the right to refuse registration to any student whose health record or report of medical examination indicates the existence of a condition that may be harmful to members of the university community.

(10) Beginning with the 2027-28 academic year, a person who is present in the United States unlawfully shall not be eligible for initial enrollment in any state university which, for the two most recent academic years, did not admit all academically qualified applicants, except for cases in which applicants were rejected for non-academic reasons. The following individuals are exempt from the requirement in (10):

a. Students who were enrolled in a program at a Florida College System institution prior to spring 2027 and who graduate with their associate in arts degree entitling them to admission under section 1007.23(2), Florida Statutes, or who are participating in a 2+2 targeted pathway program under section 1007.23(8), Florida Statutes; or

b. Students who were enrolled prior to spring 2027 in a program governed by an agreement between the state university and a Florida College System institution.

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