## STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS Academic and Student Affairs Committee January 30, 2020

SUBJECT: Request for Exception to the 120 Credit Hour Requirement by the

University of Central Florida for the Bachelor of Science in Materials

Science and Engineering, CIP 14.1801

## PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of the Request for Exception to the 120 Credit Hour Requirement by the University of Central Florida for the Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering, CIP 14.1801.

## **AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

## **BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

The University of Central Florida is requesting an exception to the 120 credit hour requirement for the proposed Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering degree pursuant to Board of Governors Regulation 8.014. The institution is requesting approval for 128 credit hours for the degree. The basis for the request for exception is due to the provision of space in the program to meet ABET accreditation standards and deliver a curriculum competitive with other Materials Science and Engineering baccalaureate programs across the country.

The University of Central Florida Board of Trustees approved the exception to require 128 credit hours September 27, 2018. If approved by the Board of Governors, the exception request will be effective upon the implementation of the degree program in fall 2020.

**Supporting Documentation Included:** 120 Credit Hour Requirement Exception

Request Form

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