STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

January 20, 2011

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.011 New Academic Program Authorization

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Approve Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.011 New Academic Program Authorization.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7(c), Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

An amendment is being proposed to Board of Governors Regulation 8.011 to conform to legislative changes made to section 1004.03, Florida Statutes during the 2010 Legislative session. In addition, changes have been made to clarify the roles of the universities and Board staff in the program approval process and to strengthen language that supports the partnership agreement between the State of Florida and the Office of Civil Rights. The regulation also has been reorganized to more clearly differentiate between academic degree programs and other curricular offerings such as minors, concentrations, tracks, etc. Because there are a large number of edits, many of which are only grammatical in nature, the draft revisions are presented in the form of a strike-all amendment.

This regulation has been reviewed by the university general counsels, members of the Council of Academic Vice Presidents (CAVP), the State University System academic contacts, and other state university staff directly involved with the degree proposal development and approval process. Pursuant to the regulation procedure adopted by the Board at its meeting on March 23, 2006, the Board is required to provide public notice by publication on its Internet Web site at least 30 days before adoption of the proposed regulation.

Supporting Documentation Included: Proposed Regulation 8.011 available in Academic and Students Affairs Committee materials