

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**
January 19, 2012

SUBJECT: Limited Access Request for the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering at the University of Florida

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider for approval Limited Access Status for the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering (CIP 14.0501) at the University of Florida

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Board of Governors Regulation 8.013

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 8.013 requires that Limited Access status for baccalaureate programs be approved by the Board of Governors. The University of Florida's (UF) Board of Trustees approved limited access status for the Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering due to anticipated large student demand for the program, limited faculty and instructional facilities, and the need to maintain a quality program to meet accreditation standards. Enrollments will be limited to 70 students per year by 2017. Admission will be based upon competitive Grade Point Average and personal essays that demonstrate a commitment to the discipline. Although proposed minimum standards for admission include two 3000 level courses for native students, these courses are not considered for admission of Associate in Arts transfer students, who may enroll in the courses their first semester.

The Board of Governors Academic and Student Affairs Committee reviewed and approved the request for consideration on September 14, 2011. If approved, UF will implement the new program the Limited Access Status effective Fall 2012.

Supporting Documentation Included: Request available in September 14-15, 2011 Academic and Students Affairs Committee materials at <http://www.flbog.edu>