

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**

June 21, 2012

**SUBJECT:** Limited Access Status for the Bachelor of Music Education at Florida Gulf Coast University

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**PROPOSED BOARD ACTION**

Consider Limited Access Status for the Bachelor of Music Education at Florida Gulf Coast University, CIP Code 13.1312.

**AUTHORITY FOR STATE BOARD ACTION**

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

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

Florida Gulf Coast University requests Limited Access status for the new Bachelors of Music Education (CIP 13.1312). The rationale for Limited Access status is that the program is a performing arts program and, therefore, applicants must demonstrate through an audition that they possess the minimum skills necessary to benefit from the program. In addition, the National Association of Schools of Music, the accrediting body for music programs, requires that music programs have clearly identified audition procedures for entrance into music degree programs.

Students auditioning for entrance into the B.M.E. program will be required to perform on their instrument or by voice before a music faculty committee. The performance will demonstrate technical and/or musical facility appropriate to the level at which the student wishes to enter (upper and lower divisions). In addition, the student will be asked to sight read and complete the Music Theory Placement Exam.

These requirements will not affect the ability of Florida College System associate of arts degree program graduates to compete for program space. The Board of Governors Academic and Student Affairs Committee reviewed and approved the request for consideration by the full board at its March 21, 2012 meeting. If approved, Limited Access status will be implemented in the fall term of 2012.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:** University Request