

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
March 21, 2012**

SUBJECT: Bachelor of Music Education at Florida Gulf Coast University to exceed 120 credit hours to degree

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider the Bachelor of Music Education (13.1312) at Florida Gulf Coast University to exceed 120 credit hours to degree.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution; Subsection 1007.25(8), Florida Statutes; Board of Governors Regulation 8.014

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Florida Gulf Coast University is seeking approval for its Bachelor of Music Education to exceed 120 credit hours to degree. The increase in credit hours is needed because the program includes 24 hours of professional education coursework required by the Florida Department of Education in addition to the coursework traditionally found in a baccalaureate degree program. The program is designed to meet National Association of Schools of Music standards.

If the Board of Governors approves the request, it would bring the program into conformity with other music education bachelor's degree programs in the State University System. FGCU will implement the exception to 120 credit hours beginning in fall 2012.

Supporting Documentation Included: University Request

Facilitators/Presenters: Richard Stevens