STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Academic and Student Affairs Committee

March 21, 2012

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

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

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

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS 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. If approved, Limited Access status will be implemented in the fall term of 2012.

Supporting Documentation Included: University Request

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