

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
November 9, 2011**

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.016
Academic Learning Compacts

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of the public notice of intent to amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.016 Academic Learning Compacts.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

An SUS Academic Learning Compacts Work Group, consisting of representatives from seven universities and the Board office, drafted initial revisions to Regulation 8.016. The proposed amendments clarify the process related to student learning outcomes assessment. As such, the title of the regulation has been changed from "Academic Learning Compacts" to "Student Learning Outcomes Assessment."

Paragraph (1) sets out required policies and procedures. Each board of trustees must have a process for certifying student learning outcomes. Each university must develop processes for the following areas: (1) Academic Learning Compacts (ALCs), (2) related assessment mechanisms, (3) program evaluation, and (4) continuous improvement.

Paragraph (2) outlines required products. A hard copy or electronic version of the university-wide regulation or policy and related procedures regarding student learning outcomes assessment must be provided to the Board office. Each ALC must be posted on the university's Web site. Universities must submit periodic status reports on student learning outcomes assessment to the Board office.

The revised regulation was reviewed by the university general counsels, members of the Council of Academic Vice Presidents, the Academic Contacts, and the Academic Learning Compacts contacts. The regulation was revised based on their input. 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 8.016

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