STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA BOARD OF GOVERNORS

May 5, 2020

SUBJECT: Public Notice to Approve Board of Governors Regulation 8.007

Articulation

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval of the proposed Board of Governors Regulation 8.007 Articulation

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution, authorizes the Board of Governors to define the distinctive missions of the State University System (SUS) institutions and their "articulation with free public schools and community colleges, ensuring the well-planned coordination and operation of the system, and avoiding wasteful duplication of facilities or programs."

Before the creation of the Board of Governors, the Board of Regents of the State University System collaborated with the State Board of Education to create Rule 6A-10.024, Articulation Between and Among State Universities, Community Colleges, and School Districts. This rule was then adopted by the Board of Governors through a resolution on January 7, 2003.

Since that time, the State Board of Education has revised the rule, and the Board of Governors has addressed key changes through stand-alone regulations, such as Regulation 6.006 Acceleration Mechanisms. Although current Board regulations address some areas of articulation, there are key components that require further direction. New areas for articulation, such as reverse transfer credit and SUS associate in arts degree requirements, have more recently been established. Institutions have also developed 2+2 enhancement programs, providing direct articulation for students from a partner Florida College System institution to a specific SUS institution. There is also a continual need for reinforcing system-wide participation in the Statewide Course Numbering System, the Florida Automated System for Transferring Educational Records, and the advising portal Florida Shines. Finally, among other issues, it is important to recognize the responsibility of institutions to provide clear and accessible information that assists in the smooth transference of students between institutions.

The regulation was reviewed by the university general counsels, the Council of Academic Vice Presidents, and other state university staff. The regulation was approved for noticing on March 25, 2020. No concerns were expressed during this notice period.

Supporting Documentation Included

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