

Item: AS: A-5

Committee on Academic and Student Affairs Tuesday, November 15, 2022

SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AMENDMENTS TO REGULATION 2.001, Admission Requirements and Enrollment Limitations

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Recommend BOT approval of the amendments to FAU Regulation 2.001, Admission Requirements and Enrollment Limitations.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University seeks to amend FAU Regulation 2.001, Admission Requirements and Enrollment Limitations. The purpose of this amendment is to reflect compliance with Board of Governors' Regulation 6.003, Admission of Graduate and Post-baccalaureate Professional Students. The proposed changes are summarized as follows:

- 1. Reorganizes the regulation to include separate sections for undergraduate and graduate admission requirements.
- 2. Adds the University's admissions requirements and policies for graduate and post-baccalaureate professional students.
- 3. Rearranges section 2, Enrollment Limitations to section 4.
- 4. Adds the Dean of Students as a potential requesting party for information from prospective students with qualifying past misconduct or criminal history.

IMPLEMENTATION PLAN/DATE

The regulation will be amended and effective upon Board of Governors' approval or 60 days after being provided to the Board of Governors, unless disapproved.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no fiscal implications to this proposed board action.

Supporting Documentation:	Text of proposed amended Regulation 2.001
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Florida Atlantic University

Regulation 2.001 Admission Requirements and Enrollment Limitations

- (1) (1)<u>Undergraduate Admissions.</u> Florida Atlantic University <u>undergraduate</u> admission requirements are codified in Florida Statutes, Florida Board of Governors' (BOG) Regulations and FAU regulations and policies.
- (2)(1) Enrollment Limitations. Chapter 6 of the Board of Governors' Regulations describes the establishment of enrollment plans for state universities. Consistent with the applicable regulation(s), Florida Atlantic-University shall manage the resulting enrollment plans to meet planned enrollment. Procedures for meeting planned enrollment involve all aspects of enrollment management.
 - a. Priorities for admission are established as follows:
 - i. First-time-in-college (freshmen) students and transfers from Florida public colleges and state universities who have earned an Associate of Arts (AA) degree.
 - ii.<u>i.</u> Transfers from Florida public colleges and state universities who have carned an Associate of Science (AS) degree in a field specifically covered by either a statewide or university articulation agreement.
 - iii.<u>i.</u> Transfers from Florida public colleges and state universities who have successfully completed at least 60 credit hours, including 36 hours of general education.
 - iv.<u>i.</u> Other transfers. Transfers with fewer than 60 hours must meet freshmen admissions requirements as referenced above.

b.a. Priorities for registration are as follows:

- i. Current, degree-seeking students.
- ii.<u>i.</u> Former returning, degree-seeking students in good standing.
- iii.<u>i. New degree-seeking students.</u>
- iv.i._Non-degree students on a space available basis and all others.
- a. Florida Atlantic University may designate programs registered and approved by the Board of Governors as limited access programs.
- e.a. The University shall establish standard First<u>first</u>-time-in-college (FTIC) undergraduate admission criteria in accordance with state law and Board of Governors<u>BOG</u> Regulations, which shall be published annually in the University Catalog.

- d.b. To the extent provided by state law and **Board of Governors**<u>BOG</u> Regulations, FTIC applicants who are not eligible for standard admission may be considered for alternative admission in which a variety of additional factors are considered.
 - i. These additional factors include, but are not limited to:
 - 1. Family educational background;
 - 2. Socioeconomic status;
 - 3. Status as a graduate of a low-performing high school;
 - 4. Status as a graduate of an international baccalaureate program;
 - 5. Geographical location; and/or
 - 6. Special talents.
 - ii. These additional factors shall not include preferences in the admission process for applicants on the basis of race, national origin, or sex.
 - iii. Applicants may be admitted pursuant to an assessment of the factors stated above if, in the judgement of an appropriate University committee, there is sufficient evidence that the applicant can be expected to succeed at the University.
 - iv. The number of FTIC students admitted through alternative admission shall be determined by the University Provost and the Vice President of Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and reported to the Board of Trustees on an annual basis.

(2) Graduate and Post-Baccalaureate Professional Student Admissions.

- a. Graduate program applicants must meet University requirements as follows:
 - i. An earned bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution or from an institution accredited by an equivalent accrediting body or comparable degree from an international institution.
 - ii. A minimum grade point average (GPA) as determined by the graduate faculty of the program or their designees for either all work attempted as an undergraduate student working toward a baccalaureate degree or all work attempted while registered as an upper division undergraduate student working toward a baccalaureate degree.
 - iii. Scores on a nationally standardized graduate admissions test, such as the General Test of the Graduate Record Examination (GRE), the Miller Analogies Test (MAT), the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), Medical College Admissions Test (MCAT) or an equivalent, that is acceptable for the program to which the student is applying.
 - iv. Alternatively, a graduate degree from a regionally accredited U.S. institution or from an institution accredited by an equivalent

accrediting body may substitute for (a)(i) and (ii) for admission to a Doctoral program and for (a)(i), (ii), and (iii) for admission to a Masters program.

- b. Admission shall be based on a review of credentials by the graduate faculty of the program or their designee in which multiple criteria are used to judge the appropriateness of the applicant to pursue graduate study.
- c. Each program admissions committee may impose more restrictive admission requirements than those stated above. University and program-specific admissions requirements shall be published in the University Catalog.
- d. To accommodate special circumstances, the University may waive these requirements for individual students. Such waivers should not be granted routinely.
- e. The University may develop criteria for admission to specific degree programs which differ from items (a) (i)-(iii) above.
- f. Students who wish to enroll in courses, but not degree programs, at the postbaccalaureate level, may enroll under the classification of post-baccalaureate non-degree students. Admissions committees wishing to admit postbaccalaureate non-degree students to graduate degree programs after the students have satisfactorily completed a specified number of credits may do so under conditions specified by the graduate program.
- g. Applicants denied admission shall be given notice of denial within a reasonable period of time following the decision.
- (3) Consistent with state law and **Board of Governors**<u>BOG</u> Regulations, consideration shall be given to the past actions of any person applying for admission when such actions have been found to disrupt or interfere with the orderly conduct, processes, functions, or programs of any other university, college or community college. If determined to be in the best interest of the University to deny admission or enrollment to an applicant because of the applicant's past misconduct on or off campus, the University may do so consistent with state and federal law.
 - a. Criteria and guidelines for evaluation of past misconduct or criminal history shall be published in the University Catalog.
 - b. Prospective students with qualifying past misconduct or criminal history, as defined in the University Catalog, will be reviewed by the University's Admissions Review Board (ARB), and must submit a full statement of relevant facts and provide any information requested by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions, the <u>Dean of Students</u>, the Registrar, or the Graduate College, including but not limited to student conduct records, police reports, and court records.

- c. Prospective students whose applications are denied by the Admissions Review Board may request review of the denial by the Office of the University Provost. The request for review must be submitted to the Office of Admissions for undergraduate applicants, the Office of the Registrar for non-degree or transient applications, or the Graduate College for graduate applicants within two weeks of the date of the notice of denial. The submission must include the basis for the additional review and any additional documentation for consideration by the Office of the Provost. The decision of the Provost or designee shall be final.
- d. Consideration of any qualifying past misconduct or criminal history shall also be required for all continuing education and/or certificate programs that have a duration of more than five (5) weeks and require physical attendance on any campus of the University, or that lead to licensure or professional certification.
- (4) Enrollment Limitations. Chapter 6 of the BOG Regulations describes the establishment of enrollment plans for state universities. Consistent with the applicable regulation(s), the University shall manage the resulting enrollment plans to meet planned enrollment. Procedures for meeting planned enrollment involve all aspects of enrollment management.
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Specific Authority: Section 7(d), Art. IX, Fla. Const.; 1001.706, F.S. Law Implemented 1006.735, F.S. Formerly 6C5-2.01 and 6C5-2.001. History–New 10-1-75, Amended 5-24-76, 8-23-79, 11-1-82, 11-8-06, 6-11-13, 6-4-19, <u>xx-xx-2022</u>.