STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Strategic Planning Committee
January 20, 2016

SUBJECT: Higher Education Enrollment Trends and the Board’s 2025 Strategic Plan Goals

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For information

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

At the November 2015 meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee, staff presented projections for degree production at both undergraduate and graduate levels, showing that the State University System is unlikely to meet degree production goals in its 2025 Strategic Plan by an estimated 6,000 degrees annually at the baccalaureate level and 1,800 degrees annually at the graduate level. As a result of staff’s presentation, the Committee requested that further information be provided with regard to enrollments and degree production across Florida’s higher education sectors. The three questions guiding the study are as follows:

1. What are the enrollment trends at the SUS regional, joint-use campuses, and special purpose centers; at the Independent Colleges and Universities of Florida; at those institutions under the auspice of the Commission on Independent Education; and at the Florida College System institutions?
2. What factors might be influencing these trends?
3. Does it appear that these trends will impact the Board’s 2025 goals for baccalaureate and graduate degree production?

This information will allow the Board of Governors to better estimate degree production for the State University System.

Supporting Documentation Included: Cross-sector enrollment information

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