

STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Academic and Student Affairs Committee
September 18, 2024

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.013, Specialized Admissions

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.013, Specialized Admissions.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Board of Governors Regulation 8.013, Specialized Admissions, allows universities to establish additional criteria for admission to undergraduate programs. Institution requests for specialized admissions must meet specific criteria. The criteria include the availability of program resources, the need for applicants to demonstrate the minimum skills, or a requirement by an accrediting agency for additional admissions criteria.

The Board of Governors considers specialized admissions programs upon request by the university board of trustees if the programs meet one or more criteria. In addition, specialized admissions programs are presented before the Board of Governors every four to five years for consideration of recertification. The regulation also outlines the annual reporting requirements for specialized admissions programs.

Due to the Board's requirement to consider specialized admissions programs for initial approval and recertification, Board staff propose an amendment to streamline the annual reporting requirements and eliminate duplicative reporting for universities. The proposed amendment will require universities to verify the admission requirements for each program annually.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Board of Governors, the amended regulation will be available for public comment for 14 days. If no concerns are raised during that time, the regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval at the next meeting.

Dr. Lynn Nelson, Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Innovation, will provide an overview of the proposed amendment.

Supporting Documentation Included: Regulation 8.013, Specialized Admissions

Facilitators/Presenters: Dr. Lynn Nelson