

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS**
September 18, 2024

SUBJECT: Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.006,
Civic Literacy Competency

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.006, Civic Literacy Competency.

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

During the 2023 session, the Florida Legislature amended Section 1004.6496, Florida Statutes which enhanced the mission and responsibility of the Hamilton Center for Classical and Civic Education at the University of Florida. The center was required to develop a new statewide course in civil discourse to meet the postsecondary civic literacy competency course requirement. The Hamilton Center developed AMS X010, Civil Discourse and the American Political Order.

This new course has been accepted into the Statewide Course Numbering System and reviewed to ensure it meets the statutory requirements for civic literacy. As a result of this process, any Florida public postsecondary institution will be able to offer the course using the framework developed by the Hamilton Center. The University of Florida plans to offer the course in spring 2025.

Board staff proposes an amendment to Board of Governors Regulation 8.006, Civic Literacy Competency to add AMS X010 as an additional course option for students to meet the requirement for civic literacy.

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.

Supporting Documentation Included:

In Academic and Student Affairs
Committee Materials