

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA  
BOARD OF GOVERNORS  
Academic and Student Affairs Committee  
July 21, 2020**

**SUBJECT:** Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.001  
University Calendars and Temporary Delegation of Authority to the  
Chancellor for Calendar Exceptions

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**PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION**

Consider approval of Public Notice of Intent to Amend Board of Governors Regulation 8.001 University Calendars, along with the temporary delegation of authority to the Chancellor to grant fall 2020 – summer 2021 calendar exceptions.

**AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION**

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

State University System institutions and Florida College System institutions have coordinated academic calendars since Rule 6A – 10.019, Florida Administrative Code was established in 1974 by the Florida Board of Regents and the State Board of Education. The Board of Governors later adopted the rule through the approval of the articulation 6A-10 rules in guidelines and eventually adopted the policy in Regulation 8.001, University Calendars.

The proposed amendment to Regulation 8.001 provides greater flexibility to the institutions while maintaining the ability for students to transfer from one educational sector to another. This flexibility also allows for different approaches in delivery. The proposed revision also provides the Chancellor with the ability to grant exceptions for an institution meeting the specified requirements instead of requiring action by the Board of Governors. The proposed amendment provides greater flexibility in start dates to terms and no longer specifying the number of days of instruction.

If approved by the Academic and Student Affairs Committee and the Board of Governors, the Intent to Amend Regulation 8.001 will be available for public comment for thirty days. If no concerns are raised during that time, the Regulation will come before the Board of Governors for final approval.

In addition, the Committee will also consider delegating authority for approving fall 2020 – summer 2021 calendar exceptions in light of the current COVID-19 pandemic.

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**Supporting Documentation Included:**

Regulation 8.001

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